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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST:

**STEVEN V. SCHNEIDER, Ph.D.,**

**ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION**

RESPONDENT

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The Psychology Examining Board met on November 16, 2001, at which time it reviewed and considered Dr. Longo's letter of 10/11/01 to Michele Neverman, and the Final Decision and Order dated 10/8/99 in this case. Having considered those documents, the Board makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Steven V. Schneider, Ph.D., is licensed as a psychologist in Wisconsin, holding license number 1216.
2. Dr. Schneider did not renew his license on October 1, 2001.
3. Dr. Schneider retains the right to renew his license at any time by paying a late fee and meeting the other requirements for renewal.
4. Under the terms of the Final Decision and Order in this case, Dr. Schneider's license is currently limited until at least February 28, 2004, with terms related to alcohol and drug treatment. Paragraph 4 of those limitations required Dr. Schneider to abstain from all personal use of controlled substances. The paragraph following paragraph 36 of those limitations states, "It is further ordered, that, if the Board determines that there is probable cause to believe that Respondent has violated any term of this Final Decision and Order, the Board may order that the license of Respondent be summarily suspended pending investigation of the alleged violation without further notice or right of hearing to the Respondent."
5. Lance P. Longo, M.D., is currently designated as Physician Monitor to Dr. Schneider under Dr. Schneider's terms of limitation.
6. The letter from Dr. Longo to Michele Neverman dated October 11, 2001, says, "This letter serves to notify the Psychology Examining Board that Steven Schneider has relapsed to use of narcotic analgesics and psychostimulants without appropriate medical supervision...." This statement constitutes probable cause to believe that Respondent has violated a term of the Final Decision and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Psychology Examining Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to sec. 445.09, Stats., and pursuant to the Final Decision and Order entered in this case on October 8, 1999.
2. Although Dr. Schneider's license to practice psychology was not renewed on October 1, 2001, he retains a right to renew his license and the Psychology Examining Board may take action against his right to renew.
3. Since probable cause exists to believe that Respondent has violated a term of the Final Decision and Order, the Psychology Examining Board may summarily suspend Dr. Schneider's license.

ORDER

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the license of Steven V. Schneider, Ph.D., to practice psychology in the state of Wisconsin is summarily suspended, effective immediately upon Respondent receiving actual notice of this summary suspension order or upon service of this summary suspension order upon Respondent under sec. RL 6.06(3), Wis. Admin. Code, whichever is sooner. This Order continues to be in effect until the effective date of the final order and decision in the pending disciplinary proceeding against Respondent, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

Respondent is hereby notified of his right, pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code sec. RL 6.09, to request a hearing to show cause why this summary suspension order should not be continued and is further notified that any request for a hearing to show cause should be filed with the Wisconsin Psychology Examining Board, 1400 East Washington Ave., P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2001.

Barbara A. Van Horne, Ph.D.

Chairperson, Psychology Examining Section