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# STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

SABINE B. HARTMANN, D.V.M., : LS0811193VET

RESPONDENT.

[Division of Enforcement Case # 05 VET 031]

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Sabine B. Hartmann, D.V.M. W4428 Rock Creek Road Loyal, WI 54446

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Department of Regulation and Licensing
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## PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board. The Board has reviewed the attached Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

# **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Sabine B. Hartmann, D.V.M., Respondent herein, whose date of birth is January 23, 1964, is duly licensed by the Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Wisconsin pursuant to license number 3413, which was first granted on August 8, 1989.
- 2. Respondent's last address reported to the Department of Regulation and Licensing is W4428 Rock Creek Road, Loyal, WI 54446.
- 3. At all times relevant to this action, Respondent was working as a veterinarian at Marshfield Veterinary Service in Marshfield, Wisconsin.
- 4. On June 13, 2005, Andrea Jennerman brought her 1½ year old cat to Respondent's clinic for tail amputation surgery.
- 5. Respondent sedated the Jennerman cat with .25 Ketamine 100mg/ml and .25 Valium IV 5mg/ml in the same syringe IV, and Atropine .4 cc IM and Ketofen .07 cc SQ. The cat was masked with 2% Isoflurane/Oxygen.
- 6. Respondent was assisted by a veterinary technician student and a veterinary assistant who visually monitored the cat during the surgery. A pulse oximeter was not used during the procedure nor, as an alternate, was a continuous check of

the cat's respiration and cardiac function conducted.

- 7. The surgery was uneventful; however, after Respondent completed the surgery, she was notified by one of the technicians that the cat was not breathing. Respondent attempted cardiac compressions and gave 2 cc epinephrine intracardiac twice with no response. No necropsy was performed.
- 8. Respondent failed to ensure that adequate monitoring of the cat's respiration and cardiac function was conducted throughout the surgical procedure.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 453.07(2), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 227.44(5).
- 2. Respondent's conduct, as set out above, is a violation of Wis. Admin. Code sec. VE 7.06(1) and she is therefore subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 453.07(1)(f).

## **ORDER**

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Stipulation of the parties is hereby accepted.

# IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

- 1. Respondent, Sabine B. Hartmann, D.V.M., is REPRIMANDED for the above conduct.
- 2. Respondent's license to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Wisconsin shall be LIMITED to require that, within nine (9) months of the date of this Order, Respondent shall obtain two (2) hours of continuing education in anesthesia for the surgical companion animal patient and two (2) hours of continuing education in monitoring procedures for the companion animal surgical patient. The courses attended in satisfaction of this requirement may not be used to satisfy the statutory continuing education requirements for licensure.
- 3. Respondent shall be responsible for obtaining the courses required under this Order, for providing adequate course descriptions to the Department Monitor, and for obtaining pre-approval of the courses from the Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board, or its designee, prior to commencement of the programs.
- 4. Within thirty (30) days following completion of the courses identified in paragraph 2 above, Respondent shall file with the Department Monitor certifications from the sponsoring organization(s) verifying her attendance at the required courses.
  - 5. All costs of the educational programs shall be the responsibility of Respondent.
- 6. Upon successful completion of the educational programs, submission and approval of the records and payment of the costs set forth below, Respondent's license to practice veterinary medicine, shall be restored to unlimited status.

# IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

7. Respondent shall, within 90 days of the date of this Order pay costs of this proceeding in the amount of Four Hundred Thirty Seven (\$437.00) dollars. Payment shall be made to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing, and mailed or delivered to:

Department Monitor
Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
1400 East Washington Avenue

P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935 Fax (608) 266-2264 Telephone (608) 267-3817

- 8. In the event that Respondent fails to pay costs as ordered, fails to comply with the ordered continuing education, or fails to provide the medical records as ordered, Respondent's license (#3413) SHALL BE SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of this Order.
  - 9. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board

By: Robert Spencer
A Member of the Board

11/19/08

Date