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## STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATION AND LICENSING

IN THE MATTER OF A PETITION FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE INJUNCTION INVOLVING:

: ADMINISTRATIVE INJUNCTION

MARK C. SLADE, RESPONDENT. ORDER0000219

### Division of Enforcement Case # 09 UNL 102

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

Mark C. Slade 7485 Harwood Avenue Wauwatosa, WI 53213

Division of Enforcement
Department of Regulation and Licensing
1400 East Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Chiropractic Examining Board
Department of Regulation & 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 disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Secretary. The Secretary has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

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

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Mark C. Slade, (D.O.B.: 04/06/1958) was formerly licensed as a chiropractor in the State of Wisconsin (license #12-1925). This license was first granted on May 19, 1984, and expired on December 31, 2004.

- 2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Chiropractic Examining Board is 7485 Harwood Avenue, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin 53213.
- 3. On or about May 27, 2005, the Wisconsin Department of Revenue placed a tax hold on the Respondent's chiropractic license due to the delinquent payment of taxes.
- 4. On or about June 7, 2005, the Department of Regulation and Licensing changed Respondent's licensure status to "denied" as a result of the tax hold by the Department of Revenue.
- 5. At no time subsequent to the placement of the tax hold on the Respondent's chiropractic license has the Respondent satisfied the delinquent tax obligations.
- 6. In or about December of 2009, the Division of Enforcement received a report that the Respondent's chiropractic services were listed on the internet.
- 7. On or about April 20, 2010, a Division of Enforcement investigator went to 7485 Harwood Avenue, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. At that location was a house with a sign in front which read as follows:

## "CHIROPRACTOR M.C. SLADE, D.C."

- 8. One of the doors to the house at 7485 Harwood Avenue had a sign on it which read "WALK IN".
- 9. The investigator observed a tall, lean man exit the door with the "WALK IN" sign on it, carrying clear stuffed trash bags. He proceeded to put the bags in the trunk of a car with the license plate "625-DKC". That license plate would later be determined to belong to Mark Slade. The tall, lean man then went back inside the house through the "WALK IN" door.
- 10. At approximately 1:24 p.m. on that same date, the investigator observed an adult male pull up in an automobile and park in front of the house at 7485 Harwood Avenue. The vehicle was later determined to be owned by Brian Rudolph. The male entered the door with the "WALK IN" sign on it.
- 11. At approximately 2:04 p.m., the investigator observed the same male exit the door and shake hands with the tall, lean man in the doorway before returning to his car on the street. The investigator made contact with the male near his car and inquired as to whether the place he just left was a chiropractic clinic. The male confirmed that it was and advised that he has just received a "chiropractic adjustment" for the purpose of getting "the kinks out of my back." The male confirmed that the chiropractor's name was

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"Dr. Mark Slade". He recommended Mark as a great chiropractor, but advised that he only accepts cash.

- 12. During the time that the investigator spoke with the male individual by his car, she observed the tall, lean man inside the house peering out the window in their direction.
- 13. At approximately 2:11 p.m. on that same date, the investigator approached the door with the "WALK IN" sign and attempted to walk in, however, the door was locked. She knocked on the door but no one answered. She observed the car registered to Mark Slade still parked where it had been.
- 14. The investigator then made contact with a salesperson, Sarah L/N/U, in a store next door to Respondent's chiropractic office. Sarah worked at "Swan Furniture and Interiors". Sarah advised that Respondent had been her chiropractor for years. She described the treatments that she received from the Respondent as being "energy work" in which he put his hands on pressure points on her body and then rubbed his hands in circles until they got really hot. She advised that it always worked for her migraines. With regard to payment arrangements, Sarah would pay the Respondent with a check and get a receipt for his services which she would then submit to her insurer for reimbursement of part of the charges.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. Wis. Stat. §446.02(1) states that no person may engage in the practice of chiropractic or attempt to do so or hold himself or herself out as authorized to do so unless such person is licensed by the examining board and meets the requirements of continuing education for license renewal as the examining board may require.
- 2. The Department of Regulation and Licensing has authority to issue this Administrative Injunction as a special order under Wis. Stat. § 440.21 and Wis. Admin. Code Ch. RL 3.

#### ORDER

### IT IS ORDERED:

IT IS ORDERED, that the attached stipulation is accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Respondent Mark C. Slade is enjoined and prohibited from engaging in the practice of chiropractic in Wisconsin unless and until he is duly licensed as a chiropractor in Wisconsin.

Respondent Mark C. Slade is further enjoined and prohibited from holding himself out as authorized to practice chiropractic in Wisconsin unless and until he is duly licensed as a chiropractor in Wisconsin.

Violation of this special order may result in a forfeiture of up to \$10,000 for each day of violation per Wis. Stat. § 440.21(4)(a).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that if the Secretary determines that there is probable cause to believe that respondent has violated any terms of this final decision and order, the Secretary may order that the violations covered by this decision and order be referred to any appropriate prosecutorial unit for review for possible criminal charges.

Issued at Madison, Wisconsin this

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, 2010.

Celia Jackson, Secretary or designed

Department of Regulation and Licensing