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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY :
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :
 :
JACQUELINE S. HAEFT, D.V.M. : FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
RESPONDENT. : ORDER 0000669

[Division of Enforcement Case #08 VET 025]

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

Jacqueline S. Haeft, D.V.M.
120 N. State Street
Waupun, WI 53963

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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 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. Jacqueline S. Haeft, D.V.M. ("Respondent") was born on August 19, 1977, and is licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Wisconsin pursuant to license number 5476-50. This license was first granted on June 2, 2003.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing is 120 N. State Street, Waupun, WI 53963.

3. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was working as a veterinarian at County Veterinary Clinic in Rubicon, Wisconsin.

4. On August 18, 2008, client "J.B." took her two year-old male Newfoundland "Cash" to Respondent to be neutered. Later in the morning of August 18, 2008, Respondent performed the surgery, which was uneventful. By 5:00p.m., Cash was noted to be alert, in sternal recumbency in his kennel. Cash was left unattended to overnight. In the morning of August 19, 2008, Cash was found dead.

5. Respondent's failure to properly ligate the spermatic blood vessels using a single stitch lead to Cash bleeding out into his abdomen, which resulted in his death.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 453.07(2), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. Respondent's conduct of failing to properly ligate blood vessels, as described in paragraph 5 above, constitutes a violation of Wis. Admin. Code § VE 7.06(1) and she is therefore subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 453.07(1)(f).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Jacqueline S. Haeft, D.V.M. is hereby REPRIMANDED.

2. Respondent's license to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Wisconsin is LIMITED by the condition that, within nine (9) months of the date of this Order, Respondent shall obtain and successfully complete a minimum of four (4) hours of continuing education in the area of surgical skills, and a minimum of four (4) hours of continuing education in the area of anesthetic post-op monitoring. The course(s) attended in satisfaction of this requirement may not be used to satisfy the statutory continuing education requirements for licensure.

3. Respondent shall locate the course(s) required under this Order, for providing adequate course descriptions to the Department Monitor, and obtain pre-approval of the courses from the Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board, or its designee, prior to commencement of the programs. For the purposes of this Order, the Board's designee is the Department Monitor, contact information is:

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4. Within thirty (30) days following completion of the course(s) 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 the 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.

7. Respondent shall, within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, pay COSTS of this proceeding in the amount of SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$600.00). Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing, and mailed to:

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8. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to timely submit payment of the costs or fails to comply with the ordered continuing education as set forth above, the Respondent's license (# 5476-50) may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the payment of the costs or completion of the continuing education.

9. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board

By:

A Member of the Board

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald J. ...", written over a horizontal line.

2/6/11
Date