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1. William J. Carini, D.D.S. ("Respondent") was born on May 2, 1961, and is licensed to practice dentistry in the state of Wisconsin pursuant to license number 3976-15. This license was first granted on September 12, 1988.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing is 10707 W. Beloit Road, Greenfield, WI 53228.

3. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was working as a dentist at the Advanced Dental Treatment Center in Greenfield, Wisconsin. Respondent is a general dentist.

4. On April 6, 2004, patient TM was first seen by the Respondent, presenting with bleeding and sensitive gums and a Class II, Division 2 malocclusion. At this appointment, the patient also expressed concerns with the esthetics of her two, front upper teeth. Respondent recommended scaling procedures to treat her periodontal issues and prosthodontics to address her esthetic concerns.

5. Class II, Division 2 malocclusion is a jaw malformation that involves a severe horizontal over-jet of the jaw and includes extensive crowding and misalignment of the teeth.

6. Class II, Division 2 malocclusion is a complex condition which is difficult to restore esthetically and typically requires specialized cosmetic treatment by a prosthodontist.

7. The goal of prosthodontics is to treat and restore the oral function, comfort and appearance of patients with clinical conditions associated with deficient teeth and maxillofacial tissues using prosthetics, including laminates and veneers.

8. On May 26, 2005, patient TM signed a financial agreement for prosthodontic treatment which contained a treatment plan for labial veneers on teeth numbers 6, 7, 9 and 11, and crown-porcelain veneers on teeth numbers 8 and 10. Respondent placed the veneers on October 18, 2005.

9. After the placement of the veneers, patient TM experienced pain in her teeth when breathing through her mouth and when rinsing with mouthwash. She experienced difficulty eating due to the overbite of the veneers; biting with her front teeth, due to looseness in her front teeth; and speaking, due to a lisp and spittle from her expanded overbite. Patient TM also was uncomfortable with the size and color of the veneers. Subsequently, patient TM underwent re-treatment by a prosthodontist to ameliorate these issues.

10. A minimally competent prosthodontic result preserves oral function, including the ability to eat and speak with the minimization of pain, and improves esthetics and the matching of veneer color with the teeth of the patient. Respondent failed to recognize his limitations in his treatment of Patient TM. His treatment deviated from standard practice and minimum competence in prosthodontics.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 447.07(3), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. Respondent's conduct of practicing when unable to do so with reasonable skill or safety to the patient and practicing in a manner which substantially departs from the standard of care ordinarily exercised by the dentist which harms the patient as described in paragraphs 4-10 above, constitutes a violation of Wis. Admin. Code §§ DE 5.02(2) and DE 5.02(5).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. William J. Carini, D.D.S., is hereby REPRIMANDED.

2. Respondent's license to practice dentistry is LIMITED by the condition that, within one year from the date of this Order, Respondent shall locate and successfully complete a minimum of **SIX (6)** hours of continuing education in the areas of fixed prosthodontics and dental veneers, including substantial attention to treatment and planning, and appropriate patient selection. It is noted that the Respondent has completed **NINE (9)** hours of education in the area of prosthodontics which were reviewed and accepted by the Board at its March 2, 2011 meeting as applicable to the educational requirements in this case. Respondent is prohibited from practicing in the area of prosthodontics until satisfactory completion of this continuing education requirement. Respondent is further required to complete within one year from the date of this Order a minimum of **FOUR (4)** hours in periodontal diagnosis and treatment, and a minimum of **FOUR (4)** hours in radiographic examination. Respondent is not prohibited from practicing in the area of prosthodontics while completing the required continuing education credits in periodontal diagnosis and treatment and radiographic examination.

- (a) Respondent shall locate and have the Board or its designee pre-approve each educational program(s) prior to Respondent completing them.
- (b) Within 30 days after Respondent has completed each educational program(s), Respondent shall submit to the Board or its designee proof of his attendance and that he has successfully completed each educational program(s).
- (c) Respondent may **NOT** apply these hours of continuing education to his biennial continuing education requirements. If Respondent obtains more than the assigned hours of continuing education to fulfill the requirements of this Order, then Respondent may use any of the hours of continuing education obtained in excess of these hours towards the biennial continuing education requirements.
- (d) The Limitation shall be removed from Respondent's license after he has satisfied the Board or its designee that he has successfully completed all of the ordered continuing education.
- (e) For purposes of this Order, the Board's designee is the Department Monitor:

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3. Respondent shall, within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, pay costs of this proceeding in the amount of ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00). Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing, and mailed to:

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4. 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 (#3976-15) 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.

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

Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board

By:


A Member of the Board

Date

