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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

THOMAS E. KISSNER, D.D.S.,

RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0002020

[Division of Enforcement Case #09 DEN 058]

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

Thomas E. Kissner, D.D.S. 1125 Alpine Drive Green Bay, WI 54311

Division of Enforcement Department of Safety and Professional Services 1400 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board Department of Safety and Professional Services 1400 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

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 Dentistry Examining Board (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. Thomas E. Kissner, D.D.S. ("Respondent") was born on January 28, 1957 and is licensed to practice as a dentist in the State of Wisconsin (license #4976-15). This license was first granted on January 23, 1998.
- 2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board is 1125 Alpine Drive, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

- 3. At all times relevant to this action, Respondent was employed as a dentist at Allcare Dental and Dentures, previously located in Green Bay, Wisconsin.
- 4. Between 2007 and 2009, a number of Respondent's patients presented with dental caries which Respondent failed to observe. The caries could be seen on radiographs taken by or available to Respondent.
- 5. In an effort to cooperate with the Board and to correct any deficiencies, Respondent completed 12 hours of Board-approved education and then on his own, completed an additional 21 hours of education in radiographic diagnostics.
- 6. Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegations of missed dental caries, but agrees for purposes of entering into this stipulation with the Board, only, that the facts as set forth above are legally sufficient to support the Conclusions of Law and Order below. In the interest of resolving this matter without further expense or hearing, and for the purposes of the resolution of the case before the Dentistry Examining Board only, Respondent agrees to entry of this Final Decision and Order.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

- 1. The Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 447.07, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).
- 2. The conduct described above constitutes unprofessional conduct as defined by Wis. Admin. Code § DE 5.02(5) and subjects Respondent to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 447.07(3)(a).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Thomas E. Kissner, D.D.S. (license #4976-15) is **REPRIMANDED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

- 2. Within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay forfeiture of ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,500.00). Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and mailed to the Department Monitor at the address below.
- 3. Within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay costs of this proceeding in the amount of ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,300.00). Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services, and mailed to:

Department Monitor
Division of Enforcement
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935
Telephone (608) 267-3817
Fax (608) 266-2264

- 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 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 pay the forfeiture or costs as set forth above in a timely matter, the Respondent's license (#4976-15) may, in the discretion of the board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has paid costs and forfeiture.
 - 5. This Order shall become effective on the date of its signing.

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