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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

SCOTT F. HARMAN, D.V.M.,
RESPONDENT.

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ORDER 0002102

[Division of Enforcement Case #12 VET 015]

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

Scott F. Harman
706 Market Street
Watertown, WI 53094

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

Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board
Department of Safety and Professional Services
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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 (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. Scott F. Harman, D.V.M., was born on September 24, 1954 and is licensed to practice as a veterinarian in the State of Wisconsin (license #3684-50). This license was first granted on August 14, 1991 and is current through December 14, 2013.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Veterinary Examining Board is 706 Market Street, Watertown, Wisconsin.

3. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was employed as a licensed veterinarian at Gentle Healer Pet Clinic, located in Watertown, Wisconsin.

4. On March 14, 2012, "Silver," a domestic shorthair feline, presented for frontal onychectomy and ovariohysterectomy surgery.

5. A review of Respondent's veterinary medical records for Silver's March 14, 2012 appointment revealed that Respondent's records were deficient in that it lacked:

- a. Documentation of a physical examination that assessed the overall health of the patient or its suitability as a surgery patient at the initial presentation;
- b. A surgical monitoring report; and
- c. A post-surgical monitoring report.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

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

2. The conduct described above violated Wis. Admin. Code § VE 7.03(2) which constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § VE 7.06(15) and subjects the Respondent to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 453.07(2)(a).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Respondent Scott F. Harman, D.V.M. (license #3684-50) is REPRIMANDED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

2. Respondent's license to practice veterinary medicine is LIMITED by the condition that within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall obtain and successfully complete a record keeping course.

- a. Respondent shall locate and have the Board or its designee pre-approve the educational program prior to Respondent completing it.
- b. Within 30 days after Respondent has completed the educational program, Respondent shall submit to the Department Monitor proof of his attendance and that he has successfully completed the educational program.

- c. Respondent cannot apply the hours of education credit obtained from this course to the biennial continuing education requirements.
- d. Requests for pre-approval of education and proof of successful completion shall be submitted to the Department Monitor at the address below.
- e. This 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 education.
- f. Respondent is responsible for all costs of compliance with this Order.

3. Within one hundred eighty (180) days following completion of the record keeping course, Respondent shall allow an audit of his veterinarian records by the Board or its designee.

4. Within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay costs of this proceeding in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00). Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services, and mailed to:

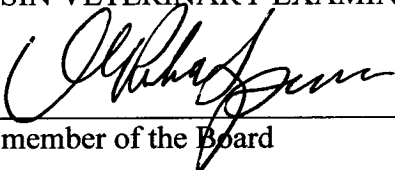
Department Monitor
Division of Enforcement
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5. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion 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 provide evidence of satisfactory completion of the education or pay the costs as set forth above in a timely matter, the Respondent's license (#3684-50) may, in the discretion of the board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has paid costs and submitted evidence of satisfactory completion of the education.

6. This Order shall become effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

By:


A member of the Board

10-24-12
Date