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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

DARRELL DENISEN, D.V.M., RESPONDENT.

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance¹ Case No. 12 VET 014

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

Darrell Denisen, D.V.M. S15215 County Road WW Eleva, WI 54738-9293

Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services 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 disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Veterinary Examining Board (Board). The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Darrell Denisen, D.V.M. (dob June 6, 1949), is licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Wisconsin, having license number 1287-50, first issued on January 1, 1973, and current through December 14, 2013. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is S15215 County Road WW, Eleva, WI 54738-9293.

¹ The Division of Legal Services and Compliance was formerly known as the Division of Enforcement.

- 2. Between February 17, 2012, and March 9, 2012, Respondent provided care to a pregnant canine, Cocoa. Respondent last saw Cocoa on February 24, 2012, but continued to advise Cocoa's owner by telephone.
- 3. On March 9, 2012, Cocoa's owner called Respondent to report that Cocoa was not doing well, and had a greenish discharge. Later that day another veterinarian performed a cesarean section on Cocoa and found that all of the pups had died.
- 4. Neither Respondent nor his staff documented in the health care record any contact with Cocoa's owner after March 6, 2012.
- 5. Respondent is not currently practicing veterinary medicine, and has been fully cooperative with the Board's investigation.
- 6. Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegation but has agrees that the facts are sufficient to support the Conclusions of Law and Order below.

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 pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).
- 2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent failed to keep records as required by Wis. Admin. Code § VE 7.03(2)(j), and therefore committed unprofessional conduct as defined by Wis. Admin. Code § VE 7.06(15).
- 3. As a result of the above violations, Respondent is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 453.07(a).

ORDER

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. The license to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Wisconsin issued to Darrell Denisen, D.V.M., (license number 1287-50) is LIMITED as follows:
 - a. Within six months of the date of this Order, Respondent shall successfully complete four (4) hours of education on the subject of record keeping in a veterinary practice. The course(s) must be pre-approved by the Board's designee. Successful completion requires that Respondent take and pass any exam offered for the course(s). Courses taken without preapproval may NOT be used to satisfy the remedial education requirements of this Order.
 - b. Within thirty days of completion of preapproved remedial education, Respondent shall submit proof of successful completion in the form of verification from the institution or organization that provided the education.

- c. None of the remedial education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or Department.
- d. The Department shall remove this limitation from Respondent's license when Respondent has satisfied the Board's designee that Respondent has successfully completed the preapproved education.
- 3. Within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$300.
- 4. Requests for preapproval of proposed remedial education, proof of successful course completion and payment of costs (made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services) shall be sent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

- 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 timely submit payment of the costs as ordered or fails to submit proof of successful completion of the ordered education as set forth above, Respondent's license (no. 1287-50) may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with payment of the costs and completion of the education.
 - 6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

by:

A Member of the Board

Date

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