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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

CRAIG W SCHLEY, D.V.M.

: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER: FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION

0004331

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 VET 016

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

Craig W. Schley, D.V.M. 161 Glenway Road Brooklyn, WI 53521

Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board P.O. Box 8366 Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 7190 Madison, WI 53707-7190

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. Licensee Craig W. Schley, D.V.M., (dob February 8, 1972) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice veterinary medicine, having license number 5106-50, first granted on May 23, 2000, and with registration current through December 14, 2015. Licensee's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 161 Glenway Road, Brooklyn, Wisconsin 53521.
- 2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Licensee was employed as a veterinarian at a veterinary clinic located in Oregon, Wisconsin.

- 3. On March 20, 2014, Licensee saw Feather, a 10 year old neutered male cat, whose owner complained that Feather was not being himself. Feather's owner found debris around his mouth, and stated that Feather appeared very sick.
- 4. Licensee noted that Feather was very dehydrated. His heart rate and rhythm were both normal with no murmur and Feather appeared to be alert. Blood and urine tests were relatively normal.
- 5. Licensee admitted Feather for observation, gave IV fluids for the dehydration and steroids for a possible vaccine reaction.
- 6. Licensee discharged Feather as his dehydration improved throughout the day. Licensee asked the owner to continue prednisone at home for the possible vaccine reaction and didn't feel that it was unusual that Feather not eating, as he was nervous and anxious.
- 7. On March 21, 2014, Feather was diagnosed by another professional with aortic thromboembolism and later euthanasia was performed.
- 8. During the Department's investigation, it was found that there were discrepancies regarding Feather's medical records in that different versions of Licensee's records were produced by Licensee and Complainant.
- 9. Licensee's medical record titled "Findings/ Treatments" from March 20, 2014, had an exam checklist marked as completed. In Complainant's copy of the record, this checklist is not marked as completed.
 - 10. Licensee went back and marked this exam checklist at a later date.
- 11. In resolution of this matter, Licensee consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

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).

<u>ORDER</u>

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. Within 6 months of the date of this Order, Craig W. Schley, D.V.M., shall at Licensee's own expense take and successfully complete 4 hours of remedial education in record keeping as follows:
 - a. Each course attended in satisfaction of this Order must be pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Licensee shall be responsible for locating

course(s) satisfactory to the Board and for obtaining the required approval of the courses from the Board or its designee. Licensee must take and pass any exam offered for the course(s).

- b. Within thirty days of completion of preapproved remedial education, Licensee 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 Licensee's license when Licensee has satisfied the Board's designee that Licensee has successfully completed the preapproved education.
- 3. Within 120 days from the date of this Order, Licensee shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$350.00.
- 4. Proof of successful course completion and payment of costs (made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services) shall be sent by Licensee 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 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

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

WISCONSIN VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

by: $\frac{1/4/15}{\text{A Member of the Board}}$ Date

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STIPULATION

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Licensee Craig W. Schley, D.V.M., and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services, stipulate as follows:

- 1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Licensee consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.
- 2. Licensee understands that by signing this Stipulation, Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:
 - the right to a hearing on the allegations against Licensee, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
 - the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Licensee;
 - the right to call witnesses on Licensee's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
 - the right to testify on Licensee's own behalf;
 - the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
 - the right to petition for rehearing; and
 - all other applicable rights afforded to Licensee under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.
- 3. Licensee is aware of Licensee's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.
- 4. Licensee agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board (Board). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Licensee waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.
- 5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In

the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

- 6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Board ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Licensee, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.
- 7. Licensee is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.
- 8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Licensee in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

Craig W. Schley, D.V.M., Licensee

161 Glenway Road Brooklyn, WI 53521 License No. 5106-50 Date

Cody Wagner, Prosecuting Attorney

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