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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE HEARING AND SPEECH EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	ORDER IMPOSING ADDITIONAL LIMITATIONS
JERRY JERUE, RESPONDENT.	:	ORDER NO. 0004295

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On October 12, 2015, the Wisconsin Hearing and Speech Examining Board (Board) issued a Final Decision and Order (“Order”) limiting Respondent’s license with certain terms and conditions. Pursuant to the Order, “[t]he 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.” The Order requires Respondent, “[f]or a period of at least two (2) years while working at least half-time as a hearing instrument specialist” to “work only under supervision. . .” Subsequent to the Order, the Board allowed Respondent to work under a “mentor” instead of a supervisor as Respondent owned his own business.

Credible, persuasive evidence has been received in the form of patient files and verbal statements from Respondent that demonstrate Respondent practiced as a hearing instrument specialist without supervision from a mentor in violation of the terms of the Order. As a result, the following is entered:

ORDER

1. Respondent shall practice as a hearing instrument specialist only under direct supervision of a mentor which shall be pre-approved by the Board. Direct supervision requires that the mentor be physically onsite at the location when and where Respondent is practicing as a hearing instrument specialist. The mentor shall observe and evaluate Respondent’s work performance, and make recommendations for improvement where necessary. If Respondent is currently working with a Board approved mentor, such mentor will need to be re-evaluated and re-approved by the Board to ensure compliance with this order.

2. The mentor shall submit a written work report, once per month, to the Board evaluating Respondent's performance as a hearing instrument specialist and making recommendations for improvement where necessary. The written report shall be completed on a form pre-approved by the Board and provided to the mentor.
3. Respondent is required to retake the written and practical exams as contained in Wis. Stat. § 459.06 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. HAS 3, within six (6) months of the date of this order. Once Respondent has retaken and passed both exams, the mentor requirement in paragraph one (1) shall be amended to reflect that the mentor is no longer required to be physically onsite at all times when and where Respondent is practicing as a hearing instrument specialist. Instead, the mentor is required to, in-person, observe and evaluate Respondent's work performance for eight (8) hours each week.
4. All costs associated with obtaining and retaining a mentor shall be the sole responsibility of Respondent.
5. Respondent may petition the Board for modification of this order only after Respondent has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Board or its designee successful compliance with the terms of this order for a period of at least one (1) year.
6. Should two or more written work reports depict unsatisfactory work performance by Respondent, or Respondent violates any terms of this order, the Board may, in its discretion, impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline on Respondent.
7. All terms and conditions of the original Order dated October 12, 2015, unless modified above, shall remain in full force and effect.
8. This order is effective the date of its signing.

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By: Aloysius Rohmeyer 12-21-2017
Aloysius Rohmeyer Date
Chief Legal Counsel, Department of Safety &
Professional Services¹

¹ On October, 10, 2017, the Hearing and Speech Examining Board by unanimous vote (Scott Larson recusing) delegated authority to the Department of Safety and Professional Services' Chief Legal Counsel to investigate, consult with expert(s), determine whether Respondent violated any term(s) of his Board Order (no. 4295), and to preside over and resolve any violations with appropriate discipline.