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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE OPTOMETRY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY :
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :
 : FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
BRIAN C. ADLER, O.D., :
RESPONDENT. :

ORDER 0006728

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 18 OPT 006

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

Brian C. Adler, O.D.
Waukesha, WI 53188

Wisconsin Optometry 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 Optometry 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 Brian C. Adler, O.D., (DOB xx/xx/1976) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice optometry, having license number 2940-35, first issued on July 9, 2003, and current through December 14, 2019. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is located in Waukesha, Wisconsin.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent practiced optometry at an eye center (Center) located in Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.

3. On December 17, 2018, the Department requested, via letter to the address on record with the Department, that Respondent provide proof of completion of continuing education (CE) credit hours completed during the 2015-2017 biennium.

4. Respondent provided proof of completion of 22.5 CE credit hours for the 2015-2017 biennium.

5. Respondent was unable to provide proof of completion of any additional CE credits hours for the 2015-2017 biennium.

6. In resolution of this matter, Respondent denies any wrong-doing and consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Optometry Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 449.07(1), 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, Brian C. Adler, O.D., violated Wis. Admin. Code § OPT 8.02(1), by failing to complete 30 hours of approved continuing education in each biennial registration period. A minimum of 20 of the 30 hours shall relate to ocular health, conditions, or disease management.

3. As a result of the above violation, Brian C. Adler, O.D., is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 449.07(1)(f).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent Brian C. Adler, O.D., is REPRIMANDED.

3. The optometry license issued to Brian C. Adler, O.D., (license number 2940-35) and his privilege to practice in Wisconsin, are LIMITED as follows:

a. Respondent shall, at his own expense, successfully complete the 7.5 CE credit hours missing the 2015-2017 biennium, including taking and passing any exam offered for the courses.

b. Respondent shall submit proof of successful completion of the ordered education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below.

c. None of the education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any other continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or the Department, and also may not be used in future attempts to upgrade a credential in Wisconsin.

- d. The Board's monitoring liaison may change the number of credit hours in response to a request from Respondent. The monitoring liaison may consider the hours of education when determining if a change to the ordered education should occur.
- e. This limitation shall be removed from Respondent's certificate and Respondent will be granted a full, unrestricted license after satisfying the Board or its designee that Respondent has successfully completed all the ordered education.

3. Within 120 days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$526.00.

4. Payment of costs (made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services) shall be sent by Respondent 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

You may also submit this information online via DSPS' Monitoring Case Management System, here:

<https://dpsmonitoring.wi.gov>

5. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Order, Respondent's license (license number 2940-35), or Respondent's right to renew his license, may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of the Order. The Board may, in addition and/or in the alternative refer any violation of this Order to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further investigation and action.

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

WISCONSIN OPTOMETRY EXAMINING BOARD

by: Robert Schulz / RW
A Member of the Board

03.26.2021
Date

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STIPULATION

ORDER 0006728

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 18 OPT 006

Respondent Brian C. Adler, O.D., 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. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.

2. Respondent understands that by signing this Stipulation, Respondent voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, 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 Respondent;
- the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
- the right to testify on Respondent'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 Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.

4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Optometry 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. Respondent 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.

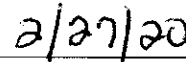
6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Board ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent, for purposes 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. Respondent 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.

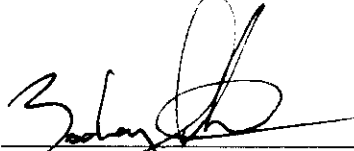
8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.



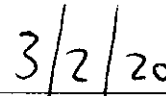
Brian C. Adler, D.O., Respondent
Waukesha, WI 53188
License No. 2940-35



Date



Zachary Peters, Prosecuting Attorney
Department of Safety and Professional Services
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
P.O. Box 7190
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Date