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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

AARON D. WEBER, O.T., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0007090

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 19 OTB 005

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

Aaron D. Weber, O.T. Beloit, WI 53511-7004

Occupational Therapists Affiliated Credentialing 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 Occupational Therapists Affiliated Credentialing Board (Board). The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

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

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Respondent Aaron D. Weber, O.T., (DOB xx-xx-1974) is licensed by the state of Wisconsin as an occupational therapist, having license number 3267-26, first issued on May 21, 1999, and current through May 31, 2021. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Beloit, Wisconsin, 53511-7004.
- 2. On June 21, 2019, Respondent was arrested for possession of child pornography after a search of his home. At the time of his arrest, Respondent was an employee of the Beloit School District.

- 3. On January 28, 2020, Respondent was convicted of two counts of Possession of Child Pornography in Rock County Circuit Court Case No. 2019CF000617, both felonies, in violation of Wis. Stat. § 948.12(1m), for acts Respondent committed between April 1, 2012 and January 24, 2020.
- 4. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Occupational Therapists Affiliated Credentialing Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.968(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 engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined in Wis. Admin. Code § OT 5.02(7), by engaging in conduct which may constitute a danger to the health, welfare, or safety of client or public.
- 3. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined in Wis. Admin. Code § OT 5.02(16), by being convicted of any crime the circumstances of which substantially relate to the circumstances of the practice of occupational therapy.
- 4. As a result of the above violations, Respondent is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stats. §§ 448.968(2)(b), (f), and (h).

#### **ORDER**

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. The voluntary PERMANENT SURRENDER by Respondent Aaron D. Weber, O.T., of his license to practice as an occupational therapist in the state of Wisconsin (License No. 3267-26), and his right to renew said license, is accepted.
- 3. This surrender constitutes Respondent's permanent relinquishment of his license to practice occupational therapy in the state of Wisconsin. The Board will not at any time in the future process or otherwise consider an application or attempt at renewal by Respondent of credentials necessary to practice occupational therapy in the state of Wisconsin.
- 4. If Respondent ever seeks any other license or credential under Wis. Stat. chs. 440-480, he shall, as a prerequisite to application, pay the costs of this matter in the amount of \$475.00.
- 5. Respondent shall immediately return all indicia of licensure to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Department of Safety and Professional Services
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
4822 Madison Yards Way
P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

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

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD

By:	Dan O Bri	17 November 2020
•	A Member of the Board	Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD

DIVIEGAL SERVICES & COMPLIANCE

DEPT SAFETY & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

**STIPULATION** 

AARON D. WEBER, O.T., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0007090

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 19 OTB 005

Respondent Aaron D. Weber, O.T., 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 Occupational Therapists Affiliated Credentialing 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in 8.

recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and	d issue the attached Final Decision and Order.
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Aaron D. Weber, O.T., Respondent	Date
Beloit, WI 53511-7004	
License No. 3267-26	·
Am	9/29/2020
Julie Zimmer Prosecuting Attorney	Date

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