## WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES



## Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services Access to the Public Records of the Reports of Decisions

This Reports of Decisions document was retrieved from the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services website. These records are open to public view under Wisconsin's Open Records law, sections 19.31-19.39 Wisconsin Statutes.

## Please read this agreement prior to viewing the Decision:

• The Reports of Decisions is designed to contain copies of all orders issued by credentialing authorities within the Department of Safety and Professional Services from November, 1998 to the present. In addition, many but not all orders for the time period between 1977 and November, 1998 are posted. Not all orders issued by a credentialing authority constitute a formal disciplinary action.

• Reports of Decisions contains information as it exists at a specific point in time in the Department of Safety and Professional Services data base. Because this data base changes constantly, the Department is not responsible for subsequent entries that update, correct or delete data. The Department is not responsible for notifying prior requesters of updates, modifications, corrections or deletions. All users have the responsibility to determine whether information obtained from this site is still accurate, current and complete.

• There may be discrepancies between the online copies and the original document. Original documents should be consulted as the definitive representation of the order's content. Copies of original orders may be obtained by mailing requests to the Department of Safety and Professional Services, PO Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935. The Department charges copying fees. *All requests must cite the case number, the date of the order, and respondent's name* as it appears on the order.

• Reported decisions may have an appeal pending, and discipline may be stayed during the appeal. Information about the current status of a credential issued by the Department of Safety and Professional Services is shown on the Department's Web Site under "License Lookup."

The status of an appeal may be found on court access websites at: <a href="http://ccap.courts.state.wi.us/InternetCourtAccess">http://ccap.courts.state.wi.us/InternetCourtAccess</a> and <a href="http://www.courts.state.wi.us/wscca">http://www.courts.state.wi.us/wscca</a>

•Records not open to public inspection by statute are not contained on this website.

# By viewing this document, you have read the above and agree to the use of the Reports of Decisions subject to the above terms, and that you understand the limitations of this on-line database.

**Correcting information on the DSPS website:** An individual who believes that information on the website is inaccurate may contact <u>DSPS@wisconsin.gov</u>

## STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DIETITIANS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	ORDER FIXING COSTS
MELANIE J. MERTES, C.D., RESPONDENT.		ORDER0007394

TO: Melanie J. Mertes Hudson, WI 54016-5704

On May 25, 2021, the Dietitians Affiliated Credentialing Board (Board) issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter by which the Board ordered that pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22, the costs of this proceeding be assessed against Respondent. The Board received the Affidavits of Costs from the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and Division of Hearings and Appeals. The Board considered the Affidavits of Costs on April 1, 2022, and orders as follows:

#### <u>ORDER</u>

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22, the costs of this proceeding in the amount of \$2,077.55 are assessed against Respondent and shall be payable by Respondent to the Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department). Failure of Respondent to make payment on or before April 1, 2023, shall constitute a violation of the Order unless Respondent petitions for and the Board grants a different deadline. Should Respondent violate any term of this Order, including failure to pay as directed via an approved petition for a different deadline, Respondent's credential may be immediately suspended and remain suspended until Respondent comes into compliance with the terms of this Order. Under Wis. Stat. § 440.22(3), the Department may not restore, renew or otherwise issue any credential to Respondent until Respondent has made payment to the Department in the full amount assessed.

Payment shall be made payable to the Department and mailed to:

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

Dated this 201 day of April, 2022.

WISCONSIN DIETITIANS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD

DSPS Chief Legal Counsel, Delegater.