IN AND BEFORE THE OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND SUPERVISION STATE OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA EX REL. THE OKLAHOMA BOARD
OF MEDICAL LICENSURE
AND SUPERVISION,
Plaintiff,
v.
WILLIAM E. WOOD, JR.,
P. T. LICENSE NO. 2341

Desendant.

Case No. 97-05-1898

FINAL ORDER OF SUSPENSION

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This matter came on for hearing before the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision on May 29, 1998, at the Conference Center of the Oklahoma Association of Insurance Agents, 1000 N.W. 50th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, pursuant to notice given as required by law and rules of the Board.

Plaintiff, the State of Oklahoma, ex rel. the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision (the "Board"), appeared by and through its attorney, Susan Moebius Henderson, Assistant Attorney General for the State of Oklahoma. Defendant, William E. Wood, Jr., P.T. License No. 2341, appeared in person without an attorney, thereby waiving his right to legal representation before the Board.

Findings of Fact

1. The Board is a duly authorized agency of the State of Oklahoma empowered to license and oversee the activities of physical therapists in the State of Oklahoma pursuant to 59 Okla. Stat. §887.1 et seq.

2. Defendant, William E. Wood, Jr., P.T., is a licensed physical therapist in the State of Oklahoma, holding license no. PT2341.

3. Defendant made application for licensure as a registered physical therapist on December 12, 1994 by completing and filing his application with the Board. He answered the following two questions in the negative:

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Are you now or have you ever been addicted to, or used in excess, any drug or chemical substance including alcohol, or been treated through a rehabilitation program?

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Are you now or have you ever been treated for an emotional, mental or nervous disorder?

4. In 1988 Defendant did, in fact, undergo treatment for chemical dependency and an emotional, mental or nervous disorder.

5. By filing a false application with the Board, Defendant violated 59 Okla. Stat. [887.13 (6) by obtaining or attempting to obtain a license as a physical therapist by fraud or deception.

6. Defendant was charged with driving under the influence twice in 1981 and again in 1997. Defendant's drivers license was revoked following his last arrest, and Defendant was given a deferred sentence of one year and 180 days.

7. Defendant has a treatment history involving chemical dependency and other emotional disorders. He has attended Alcoholics Anonymous sporadically and has discontinued therapy with A Chance to Change Foundation against the advice of his counselor.

8. Defendant has used drugs, narcotics, medication or intoxicating liquors to an extent which may affect his professional competency in violation of 59 Okla. Stat. [887.13 (4).

9. Based on the findings stated above, Defendant also has engaged in conduct unbecoming a person licensed as a physical therapist and conduct detrimental to the best interests of the public or his profession under 59 Okla. Stat. §887.13 (9).

10. The Board has jurisdiction of the subject matter herein, and proper notice has been given as required by law and the rules of the Board.

Conclusions of Law

1. The Board has jurisdiction and authority over the Defendant and subject matter herein pursuant to the Physical Therapy Practice Act (the "Act") and its applicable regulations. The Board is authorized to enforce the Act as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

2. Defendant, William E. Wood, Jr., P.T. License No. 2341, by reason of the above facts, is guilty of unprofessional conduct under the Physical Therapy Practice Act in that:

A. He filed a false application with the Board in violation of 59 Okla. Stat. **\$887.13(6)**, thereby

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obtaining his license as a physical therapist by fraud or deception.

- Β. He has used drugs, narcotics, medication or intoxicating liquors to an extent which may affect his professional competency in violation of 59 Okla. Stat. 1887.13 (4).
- C. He has engaged in conduct unbecoming a person licensed as a physical therapist and conduct detrimental to the best interests of the public or his profession.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision as follows:

1. Defendant, William E. Wood, Jr. P.T., holding Oklahoma License No. PT2341, is hereby SUSPENDED for filing a false application with the Board and also for questions and concerns about Defendant's possible addiction to alcohol or other substances.

2. The suspension shall continue until the Board is presented with sufficient evidence to determine whether reinstatement is in the best interest of the public or Defendant's profession and, if reinstatement is proper, to establish the terms and conditions of such reinstatement.

3. A copy of this written order should be sent to Defendant as soon as it is processed.

Dated June <u>4</u>, 1998.

Gerald C. Zumwalt, M.D. Secretary Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

This is to certify that on June 8, 1998, a true and correct copy of this order was mailed, postage prepaid, to William E. Wood, Jr., 501 Harr Dr., Apt. F. Midwest City, OK 73110.

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AGREED ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT UNDER TERMS OF PROBATION

Plaintiff, the State of Oklahoma, ex rel. the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision (the "Board"), by and through its attorney, Susan Moebius Henderson, Assistant Attorney General for the State of Oklahoma and the staff of the Board, as represented by the Secretary of the Board, Gerald C. Zumwalt, M.D., and the Executive Director of the Board, Lyle Kelsey, and the Defendant, William E. Wood, Jr., P.T. License No. 2341, who appears in person, without an attorney, proffer this agreed order for acceptance by the Board *en banc* at its meeting on July 23, 1998.

Defendant, William E. Wood, Jr., P.T., states that he is of sound mind and is not under the influence of, or impaired by, any medication or drug and that he fully recognizes, and waives, his right to appear before the Board for a full evidentiary hearing. Defendant further submits to the jurisdiction of the Board and agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of this Order. Defendant acknowledges that he is entitled to have his interests represented by legal counsel and that he has elected to proceed without legal representation, thereby waiving his right to an attorney. Defendant acknowledges that he has read and understands the terms and conditions stated herein.

Parties' Agreement and Stipulations

Plaintiff, Defendant and the Board staff stipulate and agree as follows:

Findings of Fact

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1. The Board is a duly authorized agency of the State of Oklahoma empowered to license and oversee the activities of physical therapists in the State of Oklahoma pursuant to 59 Okla. Stat. [887.1 et seq.]

2. Defendant, William E. Wood, Jr., P.T., is a physical therapist in the State of Oklahoma, holding suspended license no. PT2341.

3. On May 29, 1998, the Board *en banc*, after reviewing the pleadings and other evidence, including personal testimony from Defendant, suspended Defendant's license to practice as a physical therapist in the State of Oklahoma based on Defendant filing a false application with the Board and also for questions and concerns about Defendant's possible addiction to alcohol and other substances. The suspension is to continue until Defendant can present sufficient evidence to enable the Board to determine whether reinstatement is in the best interest of the public or Defendant's profession, and if reinstatement is proper, to establish the terms and conditions of such reinstatement. A Final Order of Suspension memorializing the Board's May 29, 1998 decision was entered and filed June 8, 1998 and is incorporated herein by reference.

4. During his period of suspension, Defendant has sought evaluation and treatment for impairment and has been diagnosed as an alcoholic who is in early stages of remission. Defendant has established a treatment plan with the St. Anthony Recovery and Treatment program ("START") and is in compliance with its terms.

5. Defendant now seeks reinstatement of his license by the Board.

Conclusions of Law

1. The Board has jurisdiction and authority over the Defendant and subject matter herein pursuant to the Physical Therapy Practice Act (the "Act") and its applicable regulations. The Board is authorized to enforce the Act as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

2. By reason of the above facts, reinstatement of Defendant's license to practice physical therapy under terms of probation is in the best interest of the public and Defendant's profession.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision as follows:

1. The Board *en banc* hereby accepts the agreement of the parties as proposed in this Agreed Order.

2. William E. Wood, Jr. P.T., holding Oklahoma License No. PT2341, is hereby REINSTATED, under the following terms and conditions of PROBATION, which shall exist for a period of five (5) years:

a. Defendant will continue professional counseling with Terry L. Simpson, Counselor at START or another treatment program approved by the Board or its designee, and will undertake all necessary or recommended subsequent treatment. Defendant will authorize in writing the release of any and all records of treatment to the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision.

b. Defendant will abide by all treatment recommendations, including, without limitation:

(1) One-on-one personal counseling with Terry L. Simpson one time per week for at least seven (7) sessions for relapse prevention; and

(2) Completion of the treatment plan developed by the Defendant, Terry L. Simpson and Defendant's personal physician; and

(3) Attendance at AA two (2) times per week for one year and thereafter on an as needed basis, as determined by the Defendant, his counselors and Defendant's personal physician; and

(4) Attendance at the aftercare sessions sponsored by the START program one time per month for one (1) year.

c. Defendant will furnish at the request of the Board or its designee proof of his compliance with the forgoing treatment plan.

d. Defendant will conduct his practice in compliance with the Physical Therapy Practice Act as interpreted by the Board. Any question of interpretation regarding the Act or this Order shall be submitted in writing to the Board, and no action based on the subject of the question will be taken by Defendant until clarification of interpretation is received by Defendant from the Board.

e. Defendant will furnish to each and every state in which he holds licensure or applies for licensure and to each and every hospital, clinic or other institution in which he holds or anticipates holding any form of staff privileges or employment a copy of this Order stipulating sanctions imposed by the Board.

f. Defendant will submit for analysis biological fluid specimens, including but not limited to, blood and urine, upon request of the Board or its designee, and Defendant will pay the costs attendant thereto.

g. Defendant will take no medication except that which is authorized by a physician treating him for a legitimate medical need. Defendant will have the affirmative duty to inform any and every doctor treating him of this Order prior to the commencement or continuation of treatment.

h. Defendant will have the affirmative duty not to ingest any other substance which will cause a body fluid sample to test positive for prohibited substances.

i. Defendant will keep the Board informed of his current address.

j Defendant will keep current payment of all assessments made by the Board for costs of prosecution, investigation and monitoring of his case.

k. Until such time as all indebtedness to the Board has been satisfied, Defendant will reaffirm said indebtedness in any and all bankruptcy proceedings.

1. Defendant will execute releases of medical, counseling and psychiatric records for use by the Compliance Consultant or other agents of the Board and will authorize the Compliance Consultant or other agents of the Board to discuss Defendant's case with Defendant's treating physicians, counselors and/or other custodians of Defendant's records.

m. Defendant will authorize and cause all hospitals, clinics, facilities, institutions or other work sites at which he anticipates he will practice to furnish quarterly reviews based on monitoring his practice while performing services at that site.

n. Defendant will notify the Board or its designee of any entry, or re-entry, into a rehabilitation, assessment, or evaluation program and shall provide to the Board or its designee written authorization for any and all records associated with said treatment, assessment or evaluation.

o. Defendant shall report to the Board any municipal, county or state citations involving the alleged use of alcohol or drugs.

p. Defendant shall present himself to the Board, or its designee, for a personal appearance upon the request of the Board.

q. Upon reinstatement of his license, Defendant shall attend 90 sessions of AA in 90 days.

3. Promptly upon receipt of an invoice for such charges, Defendant shall pay all costs of this action authorized by law, including without limitation, legal fees and investigation costs, and shall keep current all payments for monitoring her compliance with this agreement.

Dated 7 - 30, 1998.

Gerald C. Zumwalt, M.D., Secretary Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision

AGREED AND APPROVED:

Diller & Word William E. Wood, Jr., P.T.

License No. PT2341

Susan Moebius Henderson, OBA #11858 Assistant Attorney General State of Oklahoma 5104 N. Francis, Suite C Oklahoma City, OK 73118

Attorney for the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision

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This is to certify that on this 3rd of August 1998, a true and correct copy of this order was mailed, postage prepaid to:

William E. Wood, P.T. 501 Harr Drive #F Midwest City, OK 73110

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Janet L. Owens, Secretary