

**BEFORE THE WEST VIRGINIA MEDICAL IMAGING AND
RADIATION THERAPY TECHNOLOGY BOARD OF EXAMINERS**

**WEST VIRGINIA MEDICAL IMAGING
AND RADIATION THERAPY
TECHNOLOGY BOARD OF EXAMINERS,**

Complainant,

v.

Case No. 04-FY-2021

**TARA HUFFMAN,
License No. 8813,**

Respondent.

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

Upon due investigation, the West Virginia Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Technology Board of Examiners (“Board”) determined there was probable cause to believe that Tara Huffman (“Respondent”) exhibited unprofessional conduct in the practice of medical imaging and radiation therapy technology, in violation of the provisions of W. Va. Code §§ 30-23-1 *et seq.* and W. Va. Code R. §§ 18-1-1 *et seq.* Respondent was provided with written notice of the allegations against her pursuant to the rules of the Board and the laws of this State.

Now, in lieu of a hearing, the parties have reached an agreement for the resolution of this matter and the parties agree to entry of the following Order in disposition of this matter.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Board hereby adopts the following findings of fact:

1. The Board is a regulatory board created for the purpose of regulating the practice of medical imaging and radiation therapy technology. W. Va. Code §§ 30-23-1 *et seq.*

2. In order to carry out its regulatory duties, the Board is empowered to suspend, revoke, or otherwise discipline an individual's license to practice medical imaging and radiation therapy technology. W. Va. Code § 30-23-24; W. Va. Code R. §§ 18-4-1 *et seq.*

3. Respondent is a licensee of the Board, holding License No. 8813, and is subject to the license requirements and disciplinary rules of the Board.

4. At all times relevant, Respondent held an active radiologic technology license with the Board.

5. In connection with her application to renew that license on or about February 21, 2021, Respondent also requested a magnetic resonance imaging license.

6. The Board contacted Respondent's employer and learned that Respondent had performed magnetic resonance imaging in the State of West Virginia without the required license.

7. Based on that information, the Board initiated a complaint against Respondent. That complaint was mailed to Respondent on February 22, 2021.

8. The Board received Respondent's response to the complaint on March 8, 2021. Therein, Respondent admitted to having performed magnetic resonance imaging in West Virginia without the required license.

9. On March 18, 2021, Respondent attended an informal conference with the Board's Ethics Committee to answer questions and further discuss the facts and circumstances of this matter.

10. Upon recommendation of the Ethics Committee, the Board, at its meeting on March 18, 2021, voted to find probable cause for a violation of W. Va. Code § 30-23-24(a) and W. Va. Code R. §§ 18-1-4.4, 18-5-5.1.15, and 18-5-5.1.17.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has jurisdiction to take disciplinary action against Respondent.
2. Based upon the facts and matters set out in the above *Findings of Fact*, and pursuant to W. Va. Code § 30-23-24, the Board may revoke, suspend, or otherwise discipline the Respondent's radiologic technology license.
3. Respondent's conduct described in the above *Findings of Fact* would, if proven, constitute violations of W. Va. Code § 30-23-24(a) and W. Va. Code R. §§ 18-1-4.4, 18-5-5.1.15, and 18-5-5.1.17. Such conduct is therefore grounds for disciplinary action

CONSENT

I, Tara Huffman, by affixing my signature hereto, acknowledge the following:

1. I have had the opportunity to consult with counsel and hereby execute this *Consent Agreement and Order* voluntarily, freely, without compulsion or duress, and mindful that it has legal consequences.
2. No person or entity has made any promise or given any inducement whatsoever to encourage me to make this settlement other than as set forth herein.
3. I am aware that I may pursue this matter through appropriate administrative and/or court proceedings, and I am aware of my legal rights regarding this matter, but intelligently, knowingly, and voluntarily waive such rights.
4. I waive any defenses including, but not limited to, laches, statute of limitations, and estoppel, that I may have otherwise claimed as a condition of this agreement.
5. I acknowledge that the execution of this document constitutes disciplinary action by the Board and is therefore considered to be public information.
6. I admit that my actions were a violation of the statutes and rules of the Board.

The Respondent, Tara Huffman, by affixing her signature hereto, agrees to the following:

ORDER

On the basis of the foregoing, the Board does hereby **ORDER** and **DECREE** that:

1. Respondent is hereby REPRIMANDED for her actions in this matter.
2. Respondent shall reimburse the Board for all of the administrative and legal expenses incurred by the Board in the investigation and disposition of this case within thirty (30) days of entry of this *Consent Agreement and Order*.
3. The Board is bound by agreement and law to report the results of all disciplinary actions, including the instant matter, on the Board's website, to the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, and to the ARRT.
4. This document is a public record as defined in W. Va. Code § 29B-1-2.
5. Respondent acknowledges that failure to comply with all provisions of this *Consent Agreement and Order* may result in additional disciplinary action.
6. This *Consent Agreement and Order* constitutes the entire agreement between the parties.

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By: Rosemary Trupo
Rosemary Trupo, Chairperson

Entered: Apr 8, 2021
Date

REVIEWED AND AGREED TO BY:

Tara Huffman BRT (R) (MR)
Tara Huffman, Respondent

4/7/21
Date

This day personally appeared before me, Tara Huffman, whose name is signed to the foregoing document and who is known to me, having acknowledged before me that the statements in the foregoing document are complete, true, and correct, to the best of her knowledge and belief, and executed the document voluntarily on the date shown above.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 7 day of April, 2021.

My Commission expires: March 14, 2024

Donna Kirby
Notary Public

