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,

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Case No. 12-FY-2022

Skyler M. Currence

Respondent.

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

After due investigation of the board-initiated complaint, the West Virginia Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Technology Board of Examiners ("Board") determined there was probable cause to believe that Skyler Currence ("Respondent") exhibited unethical and unprofessional conduct in connection with the practice of medical imaging, 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. 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 medical imaging license pursuant to W.Va. Code § 30-23-24 and W.Va. Code R. § 18-4-1, et seq.
- Respondent is a licensee of the Board, holding License No. 11520 (radiography),
 and is subject to the license requirements of the Board.
- Respondent's employment with Greenbrier Valley Medical Center began on March
 2022.
- 5. The Board learned that Respondent worked as a medical imaging technologist without a West Virginia medical imaging license.
 - Respondent obtained her medical imaging license on May 1, 2022.
- 7. The Board initiated a complaint via letter to Respondent dated May 3, 2022, asserting that Respondent performed medical imaging procedures in West Virginia without a valid West Virginia medical imaging license.
- 8. Respondent answered the board-initiated complaint via correspondence dated May 11, 2022. Respondent admitted to having worked as a medical imaging technologist in West Virginia without the required license. Respondent acknowledged that the failure to obtain her medical imaging license was the result of her lack of knowledge regarding the licensing requirement.
- 9. On May 2, 2022, Respondent's supervisor, Gary Mabry, Director of Imaging Services, Greenbrier Valley Medical Center, submitted a response indicating that Respondent was a new graduate and was unaware of the licensing process.

- 10. On May 19, 2022, Respondent attended an informal conference with the Board's Ethics Committee. Her supervisor, Gary Mabry, also attended this conference and further discussed the facts and circumstances of this matter.
- 11. The Board, at its meeting on June 16, 2022, voted, under W.Va. Code § 30-23-25, to find probable cause for a violation of W.Va. Code § 30-23-2(a), which provides that it is unlawful to practice medical imaging without a license.

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 §§ 30-23-2(a) and 30-23-22, the Board may revoke, suspend, or otherwise discipline the Respondent's license to practice medical imaging technology.
- 3. Respondent's actions, as set forth in the above *Findings of Fact*, constitute violations of W.Va. Code § 30-23-25. It is unlawful to practice medical imaging without a license. See W.Va. Code § 30-23-2(a). Such conduct is therefore grounds for disciplinary action.

CONSENT

- I, Skyler M. Currence, by affixing my signature hereto, acknowledge the following:
- I have had the opportunity to consult with counsel and execute this Consent
 Agreement 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. It is therefore considered to be public information, and information regarding this matter is available to any employer, prospective employer, or any other individual who may inquire as to the status of my license.
 - 6. I admit that my actions were a violation of the statutes and rules of the Board.

The Respondent, Skyler M. Currence, 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 administrative and legal expenses in the amount of \$130.00 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, for posting to the Board's website, to the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, and ARRT.
 - This document is a public record as defined in W.Va. Code § 29B-1-2(5).

- Respondent acknowledges that failure to comply with this Consent Agreement and
 Order may result in additional disciplinary action.
- 6. This Consent Agreement and Order constitutes the entire agreement between the parties.

WEST VIRGINIA MEDICAL IMAGING AND RADIATION THERAPY TECHNOLOGY BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Roseman Trupo, Chairperson

7/26/22

REVIEWED AND AGREED TO BY:

Skyle M. Currence, Respondent

7-15-2022 Date

This day personally appeared before me, <u>Skyler M. Currence</u>, 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 his knowledge and belief, and executed the document voluntarily on the date shown above.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 15 day of July

2019.

My Commission expires: March 14, 2024

Notary Public

