STATE OF MARYLAND
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF:	*	
JOHN TRUJILLO, D.V.M.	*	DOCKET NO. 08-80
LICENSE NO. 4930	*	

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CONSENT AGREEMENT & ORDER

This Consent Agreement and Order ("Agreement & Order") dated this 21st day of April 2009, is between the Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners ("Board") and John Trujillo, D.V.M. ("Dr. Trujillo"), License No. 08-80. This Agreement concerns the resolution of a charges filed by the Board against Dr. Trujillo in February 2009 concerning his care and treatment of a Pomeranian dog named "Paris," owned by Justin Gearry. Specifically, the charges alleged that Dr. Trujillo failed to record an adequate surgical log indicating the suture material and type of wound enclosure he used in performing an ovario-hysterectomy on "Paris" in December 2007.

Under State law, the Board is the licensing authority responsible for regulating the practice of veterinary medicine in this State, which includes filing disciplinary actions against veterinarians charged with violating provisions of the Veterinary Practice Act, Agriculture Article §§ 2-301 *et seq.*, Annotated Code of Maryland and regulations adopted thereunder. As part of its authority, the Board "may refuse, suspend, or revoke any application or license, and censure or place on probation any licensee . . . if the veterinarian . . . [f]ails to comply with Board rules and regulations after receiving a license." Md. Code Ann., Agric. Art., § 2-310(8). In addition, the Board may also

impose a civil penalty of not more than $5,000 in lieu of or in addition to the suspending a veterinarian's license. Md. Code Ann., Agric. Art., § 2-310.1.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Dr. Trujillo, by entering into and signing this document, while generally and specifically denying liability in this case, agrees to this Agreement & Order, acknowledging that the Board has sufficient evidence to (a) find, as fact, that, Dr. Trujillo did not record an adequate surgical log indicating the suture material and type of wound enclosure he used when performing an ovario-hysterectomy on "Paris" in December 2007 and, (b) based on these findings of fact, conclude as a matter of law that Dr. Trujillo did violate the Veterinary Practice Act, specifically COMAR 15.14.01.10, which requires veterinarians to prepare a legibly written record that accurately and thoroughly reflects the treatment provided.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law finding that Dr. Trujillo violated the Veterinary Practice Act, it is this 21st day of ~~March~~ April CAR 2009, by the Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, **ORDERED**:

1.) That Dr. Trujillo is assessed a civil penalty in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00)

2.) That Dr. Trujillo's license to practice veterinary medicine is suspended for one-week; this suspension, however, is stayed, and

3.) Dr. Trujillo is placed on probation for a period of six months from the date of this Agreement & Order requiring him to obey all laws and regulations governing the practice of

veterinary medicine in this State. If subsequent to the execution of this Consent Agreement and Order, the Board concludes, after giving Dr. Trujillo notice and opportunity to be heard, that Dr. Trujillo violated probation during this six month period by engaging in additional conduct that violated the Veterinary Practices Act, the Board may impose a one week suspension for the charges resolved by this Consent Agreement and Order.

Chris H. Runde, DVM

Chris H. Runde, D.V.M.
President
Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

CONSENT

I, John Trujillo, acknowledge that I have had an opportunity to consult with legal counsel before entering into and signing this document. By this Consent, I hereby acknowledge the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board over this matter and to issue and enforce this Consent Agreement and Order. In order to resolve this matter, I agree to accept and submit to the foregoing Consent Agreement and Order, consisting of three pages.

I sign this Consent without reservation as my voluntary act after an opportunity to consult with counsel, and I acknowledge that I fully understand the language, meaning, and terms of this Consent Agreement and Order.

4-10-09
Date

John Trujillo, D.V.M.

NOTARY

STATE OF

CITY/COUNTY OF Baltimore

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 10th day of April, 2009, before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, personally appeared John Trujillo, D.V.M., and made oath in due form of law that the foregoing Consent Agreement and Order was his voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and notarial seal.

OLIVIA DORDUNOO
Notary Public
Baltimore County
Maryland
My Commission Expires Nov 5, 2011

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