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

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| IN THE MATTER OF: | * | |
| WILLIAM A. BOYD, D.V.M. | * | DOCKET NO. 11-01B |
| LICENSE NO. 1523 | * | |

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## CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

This Consent Agreement and Order (Consent Agreement), dated this 19th day of May, 2011, is between the Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (Board) and William A. Boyd, D.V.M. (Dr. Boyd), License No. 1523. This Consent Agreement resolves the charges filed by the Board on March 4, 2011 in Docket No. 11-01B, alleging that Dr. Boyd violated certain Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) under the Veterinary Practice Act. Specifically, in Docket No. 11-01B, the Board alleged that Dr. Boyd violated COMAR 15.14.01.10 Record Keeping, and COMAR 15.14.01.12-2F, on or about May 10, 2010, by improperly labeling cut medication for sale to Belinda Manuli to treat her ten-year-old female Siberian Husky, "Neka," for inflammatory bowel disease. On March 28, 2011, Dr. Ann Vander Veen, on behalf of Dr. Boyd, who was out of the country, asked to resolve the charges informally. Thereafter, the parties entered into discussions and were able to reach a resolution. By entering into this Consent Agreement, Dr. Boyd waives the right to a hearing and appeal on the charges in Docket No. 11-01B.

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 related regulations. 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 impose a civil penalty of not more than $5,000 for a first offense

or $10,000 for a second or subsequent offense in lieu of or in addition to suspending a veterinarian's license. Md. Code Ann., Agric. Art., § 2-310.1.

## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Dr. Boyd, by entering into and signing this Consent Agreement, while generally and specifically denying liability in this case, agrees to this Consent Agreement, acknowledging that the Board has sufficient evidence to find, as fact, and conclude as a matter of law that he did violate certain regulations adopted under the Veterinary Practice Act, specifically, COMAR 15.14.01.10 Record Keeping, and COMAR 15.14.01.12-2F, when, on or about May 10, 2010, he improperly labeled cut medication for sale to Brenda Manuli to treat her ten-year-old female Siberian Husky, "Neka," as "Tylan Powder, 4 oz." when the medication was known to have been mixed 1:3 with medical grade dextrose. "Neka" was being treated for inflammatory bowel disease. Taking all the facts and circumstances into consideration, the Board concluded that the most reasonable and appropriate resolution in these matters included the following sanction.

## ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is this 19th day of May, 2011, by the Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, **ORDERED** that Dr. Boyd is assessed a civil penalty in the amount of $300.00, payment to be made to the Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners ("SBVME") within 30 days of the date of this Order. JLH

John L. Heizer, DVM

John L. Heizer, D.V.M.
Vice President
Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

## CONSENT

I, [signature], 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. In order to resolve this matter, I agree to accept and submit to the foregoing Consent Agreement, consisting of three pages, including this page. I sign this Consent without reservation as my voluntary act after having had an opportunity to consult with counsel, and I acknowledge that I fully understand the language, meaning, and terms of this Consent Agreement.

May 9 2011
Date

[signature], D.V.M.

## NOTARY

STATE OF Maryland

CITY/COUNTY OF Baltimore

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 9th day of May, 2011, before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, personally appeared William A. Bond, 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.

[signature]
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

JULIE L LUTZI
NOTARY PUBLIC
BALTIMORE COUNTY
MARYLAND
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APRIL 16, 2012