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

IN THE MATTER OF:	*	
LISA M. DIXON, D.V.M Veterinary License No. 5514	*	Docket No. 07-027
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CONSENT AGREEMENT & ORDER

This Consent Agreement and Order ("Agreement & Order") dated this 11th (14th) day of ~~May~~ June, 2008, is between the Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners ("Board") and Lisa Dixon, D.V.M. ("Dr. Dixon"), License No. 5514. This Agreement concerns the resolution of charges filed by the Board in March 208 alleging that Dr. Dixon violated the Veterinary Practices Act and its regulations. Specifically, the charging document alleges that Dr. Dixon failed to perform a physical exam on Diane Sheet's dog, "Pepper," on two separate occasions or, if she did perform such examinations, she failed to record her findings in the dog's medical record. The charges also allege that Dr. Dixon failed to provide written discharge instructions concerning the appropriate care of "Pepper's" bandage to Ms. Sheets or, if she did give such instructions, she failed to record them in "Pepper's" medical record.

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 suspending a veterinarian's license. Md. Code Ann., Agric. Art., § 2-310.1.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Dr. Dixon, 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. Dixon did not record in "Pepper's" medical record physical exam findings on September 26, 2006, and October 2, 2006, and discharge instructions concerning the care of "Pepper's" bandage (b) based on these findings of fact, conclude as a matter of law that Dr. Dixon did violate the Veterinary Practice Act and its regulations, specifically COMAR 15.14.01.10.

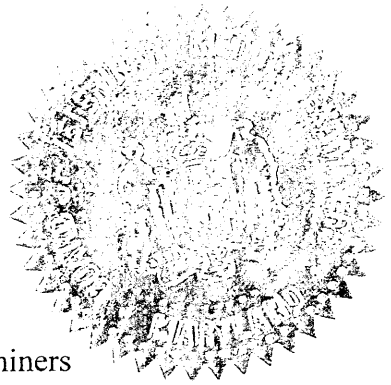
ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law finding that Dr. Dixon violated the Veterinary Practice Act, it is this 16th day of June May 2008, by the Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, **ORDERED**:

1.) That Dr. Dixon is assessed a civil penalty in the amount of Four Hundred Dollars ($400.00) and

2.) That Dr. Dixon is placed on probation for a period of three months from the date of this Agreement & Order requiring her to obey all laws and regulations governing the practice of veterinary medicine in this State. Violation of probation can result in the Dr. Dixon's license being

suspended for two weeks.



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

CONSENT

I, Lisa M. Dixon, D.V.M., 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, and I acknowledge that I fully understand the language, meaning, and terms of this Consent Agreement and Order.

May 20, 2008
Date

Lisa M. Dixon, D.V.M.

NOTARY

STATE OF Maryland
CITY/COUNTY OF Howard

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 20 day of May, 2008, before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, personally appeared Lisa M. Dixon, 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.

Notary Public

My Commission expires:
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