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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS
Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

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In the Matter of
STEPHANIE COULSON, P.T.
License No. 04039R
Respondent

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CONSENT ORDER

ADMINISTRATIVE CASE NO.
2000-06

A Formal Evidentiary Hearing was scheduled before the Louisiana State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (the "Board") on June 29, 2000, to address alleged, specific violations of the Louisiana Physical Therapy Practice Act by the Respondent, Stephanie Coulson, P.T. ("Coulson"), to-wit: "practicing physical therapy in violation of the provisions of this Chapter and any rules and regulations promulgated thereto in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act," LSA R.S. 37:2413A(1); violating provisions of the Physical Therapy Practice Act, LSA R.S. 37:2407A, 37:2414(4); and for violating the Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Board, Rules and Regulations, Title 46, Sections 165A, 169, 171, 175 and 325 et seq.

In attendance, at the Pre-hearing Conference were Respondent, ~~Stephanie Coulson, P.T.~~; the Complainant, Becky Lege', P.T.; and Michael A. Tomino, Jr., attorney for Board.

Upon consideration and discussion and evidence presented at the Conference and thereafter to the Board, this Consent Order, effective June 29, 2000, is voluntarily entered into by and between Respondent, Stephanie Coulson, P.T. and the Board which was comprised of Sharon Toups, Pat Adams and Gail Pearce for the purposes of this proceeding.

not in attendance - not notified of conference
 (with circled initials "MT")

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent, Stephanie Coulson, P.T., was a physical therapist possessing Louisiana License No. 04039R issued by the Board to practice physical therapy in the State of Louisiana in 1999 pursuant to the Physical Therapy Practice Act of Louisiana, LSA R.S. 37:2401 et seq.
2. Respondent was licensed by the Board for 1999.
3. Respondent failed to obtain the required continuing education units in 1999 for 2000 renewal prior to the deadline as established by law.

4. Respondent obtained ten (10) hours of the required twelve (12) hours for annual renewal.

5. Respondent failed to obtain the requisite number of continuing education units in 1999 for 2000 renewal thereby suggesting her license and/or temporary permit to sanctions and/or renewal.

6. Respondent attended a CEU seminar on January 28 and 29, 2000, entitled "Gross Motor Development in Children with Down Syndrome."

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

7. Respondent, upon application for license renewal, failed to obtain the required number of continuing education units for 2000 renewal. LSA R.S. 37:2407 and 37:2414(4); and Rules and Regulations, Title 46, Sections 165, 169, 171, 175 and 325 et seq.

8. Respondent's violations of the provisions of the Physical Therapy Practice Act of Louisiana and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereto constitute lawful grounds for the Louisiana State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, upon due notice of hearing and proof of such violations, to suspend or revoke Respondent's license or other disciplinary action as provided by law. LSA R.S. 37:2407A, 37:2414(4) and 37:2413A(1); and Rules and Regulations, Title 46, Sections 165A, 169 and 325 et seq.

DECISION

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact, Respondent and the Board, by vote of the quorum, mutually agree to the following:

9. Respondent shall pay \$250.00 lump sum to the Board as an agreed upon fine in this matter.

10. Four (4) hours of the seminar entitled "Gross Motor Development in Children with Down Syndrome" shall be applied to satisfy her deficiency for 2000 renewal.

11. Within five (5) days of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall submit a signed Affidavit to the Board that she has read the Physical Therapy Practice Act of Louisiana and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereto.

12. Respondent shall pay the costs associated with this proceeding.

13. Respondent's failure to comply with any of the terms of this Order shall be deemed just cause for the suspension or revocation of Respondent's licensure, or any other disciplinary action, as if such violation were enumerated among the causes provided in LSA

R.S. 37:2413 and the Rules and Regulations by the Board.

14 The existence and terms of this Consent Order will not be confidential or privileged information.

15 Respondent hereby releases the Board, its representatives and attorney from any obligations or liability in their endeavors to administer this Consent Order.

16 The effective date of this Consent Order shall be June 29, 2000, if Respondent executes and returns the Consent Order to the Board within five (5) days of her receipt of same.

17 Upon timely receipt by the Board of Respondent's signed Consent Order, payment of the \$250.00 fine, and Affidavit that she has read the Physical Therapy Practice Act and the Rules and Regulations, the Board shall thereafter issue a license to practice physical therapy to Respondent for 2000.

18 Upon Respondent timely complying with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8, her licensure to practice physical therapy for 2000 shall be considered renewed and reinstated effective January 1, 2000.

19. Respondent declares that, before signing this Consent Order, she has carefully read this document, she knows and understands the contents thereof, she signs it as an act of her own free will, she understands its meaning and effect, she has had the opportunity to retain counsel if she so chose, she waives all rights to a formal public hearing and she consents to this Order.

20. Respondent acknowledges that she is still required to obtain the requisite total of twelve (12) hours of continuing education, beyond that required in this Consent Order, in the calendar year 2000 for 2001 license renewal.

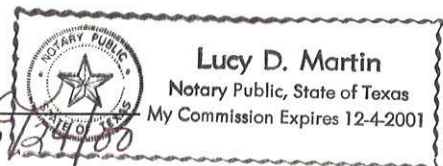
THUS DONE AND PASSED, on the 24th day of ^{May}~~June~~, 2000, at the City of Midland, ^{County} Parish of Midland, Louisiana., in the presence of the two undersigned competent witnesses, who hereunto sign their names with Appearer and me, Notary, after due reading of the whole.

WITNESSES:

Octavia Davis
Ryan Peltz

Stephanie Coulson, P.T.
Stephanie Coulson, P.T.

Lucy D Martin
Notary Public



AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED this 25th day of May, 2000.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF
PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

Sharon Toups, P.T.
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