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 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS  
**Board of Physical Therapy Examiners**

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**In the Matter of**  
**LADONNA M. W. SWINNEY**  
**APPLICATION No. 02722R**  
**Respondent**

**FINAL DECISION**  
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**ADMINISTRATIVE CASE NO.**  
 95-107 *95151*

**TO:** Ms. LaDonna Marie Willoughby Swinney  
 10925 Chase Park Lane  
 St. Louis, Missouri 63141

An Administrative Hearing was convened before the Louisiana State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (the "Board") on November 16, 1995, to discuss alleged, specific violations of the Louisiana Physical Therapy Practice Act by the Respondent, LaDonna M.W. Swinney ("Swinney") to-wit: having been convicted of a felony in the courts of another state which said conviction includes a finding or verdict of guilty, an admission of guilt, or a plea of nolo contendere, LSA R.S. 37:2413(4) and for violating the Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Board, Rules and Regulations, Title 46, Section 327(B); and for having your license to practice physical therapy revoked or suspended, or other disciplinary action taken, or had your request for licensure refused, revoked or suspended by the proper authorities of another state, LSA R.S. 37:2413(A)(6) and 2414(4).

In attendance at the Administrative Hearing was Sharon A. Toups, Lana I. Wilson and Rebecca Lege, Board Members; and Michael A. Tomino, Jr., attorney for the Board. Complainant is Paul A. Lamothe, Jr., P.T., who was also in attendance at the hearing. The Respondent, LaDonna M. W. Swinney, was not present at the hearing.

Upon consideration of the discussion and evidence presented at the Administrative Hearing, the Board, based upon a unanimous vote, rendered the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and decision:

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Respondent, LaDonna Marie Willoughby Swinney, has applied for licensure to practice physical therapy in the State of Louisiana pursuant to the Physical Therapy Practice Act of Louisiana, LSA R.S. 37:2401 et. seq., as evidenced by her application submitted to the Board.
2. Respondent, has responded that her license has been revoked in Missouri for forgery conviction and revoked in Florida for not disclosing such conviction.
3. Repondent served a four year jail sentence based on felonies committed in Illinois and Missouri.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

4. The Board, after due notice and hearing, may refuse to license any applicant who has been convicted of a felony in the courts of any state. Conviction shall include a finding or verdict of guilty, an admission of guilt, or a plea of nolo contendere. LSA R.S. 37:2413(A)(4); and Rules and Regulations, Title 46, Sections 327(B).
5. The Board, after due notice and hearing, may refuse to license LaDonna Marie Willoughby Swiney, who has had her license to practice physical therapy revoked or suspended or has had other disciplinary action taken, or has had his application for licensure refused, revoked, or suspended by the proper authorities of another state. LSA R.S. 37:2413(A)(6).
3. 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 violation to refuse to issue a license to practice physical therapy in the State of Louisiana, or take such disciplinary action as provided by law. LSA R.S. 37:2413(A)(6).

### **DECISION**

Considering the foregoing, and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by LSA R.S. 37:2401 et. seq.:

**IT IS ORDERED** that Respondent's, LaDonna M. Swinney, application for licensure in the state of Louisiana is hereby **DENIED** effective November 16, 1995.

**THUS DONE AND PASSED** on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1996, at the City of Lafayette, Parish of Lafayette, Louisiana.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF  
PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

  
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