

State of Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals

Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

104 Fairlane Drive Lafayette, Louisiana 70507 337/262-1043 FAX 337/262-1054

June 11, 2009

Thomas M. Byrd 1446 Frenchmans Bend Rd Monroe, LA 71203

RE:

In the matter of Thomas M. Byrd, P.T.

License 01634

Administrative Case No. 2009-26

Dear Mr. Byrd,

Please find enclosed a copy of the Consent Order rendered in the above referenced matter. The grounds for the administrative proceeding conducted against you were based upon a technical violation of the Physical Therapy Practice Act of Louisiana and the Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Board. As set forth in the Consent Order, you were charged with failure to timely renew your license for the calendar year 2009 and practicing physical therapy without a license for a short period from January 2009 until January 20, 2009.

The Consent Order entered into by the Board and you involved the payment of a lump sum agreed upon fine and the payment of administrative costs in this matter. As set forth in the Consent Order, there are no restrictions on your practice of physical therapy. To the best of my knowledge, you have complied with all the requests of the Board and have done so openly and in good faith.

In conclusion, your skills and provision of services as a physical therapist were never questioned in an administrative proceeding, and to the best of my knowledge, not an area of concern by the Board.

Should you have any questions about this letter or the Consent Order rendered by the Board, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With Regards,

Cheryl Gaudin Executive Director

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CASE NUMBER:

2009-26

DATE:

May 7, 2009

RE:

Informal Consent Order Regarding Late License Renewal

Licensee Thomas Byrd, License No. 01634 (referred to herein as Applicant) acknowledges that he failed to timely renew his Physical Therapy license for the year 2009. While license renewals are required by law and Board Rules to be made "on or before December 31 of each year", applicant failed to submit his renewal timely, resulting in a failure to comply with mandatory requirements as of January 1, 2009. This is a violation of the Physical Therapy Practice Act [La. R.S. 37:2407] and of the Rules and Regulations of the Louisiana State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners [46 LAC Sec. 165]. These facts and provisions of law provide the authority for this Consent Order.

Applicant has now applied for reinstatement of his license. He agrees to the following terms and conditions with the Louisiana State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (the Board) for late renewal:

- A. Applicant will pay to the Board, in addition to regular renewal and reinstatement fees, the sum of \$250 as reimbursement for the administrative and legal time and expenses involved in late renewal of his license. Payment by check will be made by May 29, 2009.
- B. Applicant worked without a valid license from January 1, 2009 to January 20, 2009. Applicant shall provide documentation with this agreement from his employer(s) which reflects that all charges to patient accounts have been reversed for all treatments provided by applicant during the period when he was not licensed.

C. Applicant voluntarily gives his consent to this Informal Consent Order, the terms of which will be approved by the Board at its May 20, 2009 meeting.

Applicant

Date: 5/22/0

Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director On behalf of the Board