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State of Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals

CHARLOTTE F. MARTIN, M.P.A. Executive Director

Louisiana Physical Therapy Board

CASE NUMBER: 2022-I-015

DATE: May 11, 2022

RE: Informal Consent Order Regarding Late License Renewal

Licensee, Alex Bourgeois License No. 10935, (referred to herein as "Applicant") acknowledges that he failed to timely complete and submit the application for renewal of his Physical Therapy license for the renewal period beginning February 1, 2022. License renewals are required by law and Board Rules to be made "by March 31 but no later than April 30." Pursuant to La. 37:R.S. 2417 B a license not renewed in accordance with the Rules of the Board shall automatically expire "at the end of its term" after which the licensee shall not practice in Louisiana. Applicant acknowledges that he has practiced physical therapy in Louisiana from May 2, 2022 through May 6, 2022 without a valid license in violation of La. R.S. 37:2417 B. These facts and provisions of the Physical Therapy Practice Act and Board Rules provide a basis and 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 Physical Therapy Board (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 the late renewal of his license. Payment by cashier's check or credit card will be made by May 31, 2022. Any additional time for making this payment requires written approval by the Board.
- B. Applicant shall provide documentation that is satisfactory to the board with this agreement which reflects that all charges to patient accounts have be reversed for all treatments provided by applicant during the period when he was not licensed. Documentation will be sent to the Executive Director of the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board to 2110 W. Pinhook Road, Suite 202, Lafayette, LA 70508 no later than December 31, 2022.
- C. Applicant voluntarily gives his consent to this Consent Order, the terms of which were approved by the Board at its May 24, 2017 meeting.

- D. Mr. Bourgeois recognizes his right to have an administrative adjudication of the charges outlined in the complaint and notice letter, at which time Mr. Bourgeois would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses, and to present witnesses on his behalf in defense or in mitigation of the charges made, and to a decision thereon by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law in accordance with the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act. Mr. Bourgeois nonetheless waives his right to formal adjudication and, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:955(D), consents to the entry of the Consent Order set forth herein. Mr. Bourgeois also acknowledges that he hereby waives any rights to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. R.S. 49:951, et seq., or which he otherwise may be afforded by any law to contest his agreement to, or the force and effect of the Board's investigation or this Consent Order in any Court or other forum, and further has waived his right to counsel.
- E. This Consent Agreement and Order shall take effect immediately upon signature of the Executive Director of the Board and is a matter of public record. The terms of this Consent Order may be published and reported in, including but not limited to, the Board website, Board newsletter, and the National Practitioners Data Bank (NPDB).

Applicant Alex Bourgeois PT 10935

Date: 5-12-2022

Charlotte F. Martin, Executive Director
On behalf of the Board