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Lorne Malkiewich, Director
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Re: Quarterly Disciplinary Action Report-October 1, 2007-December 31, 2007

Attached is the quarterly report for discipline for the Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners for the 2nd quarter, fiscal year 2007-2008.

If you have any questions, please call me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debbie Machen".

Debbie Machen
Executive Director

**QUARTERLY DISCIPLINARY REPORT TO
LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU**

FOR

October 1, 2007-December 31, 2007

Robert Goldman, DVM

October 19, 2007

Order of Probation:

- 1) The Licensee shall serve an additional minimum of two (2) years of probation.
- 2) Until such time that the requirements of section 3 of this order are met to the satisfaction of the Board, the Licensee will be restricted in that he shall not perform any types of surgeries or administer anesthetics.
- 3) A Board approved anesthesiologist or boarded surgeon must be brought into the Licensee's practice, at the Licensee's cost, to evaluate the current anesthetic protocol, including pain management, make recommendations and provide training to the Licensee and his staff. The Board must receive a report from the specialist detailing the successful completion of the foregoing tasks and that the Licensee's anesthetic protocol meets the minimum standards for the practice of veterinary medicine. The specialist shall also ensure the Licensee's competency and report back to the Board prior to the restriction in section 2 of the order being lifted.
- 4) The Licensee shall pay investigative costs to the Board in the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) within six (6) months from the effective date of this order.
- 5) The Licensee shall comply with all requirements of Chapter 638 of the NRS/NAC including, but not limited to, established or customary standards of practice for veterinarians.
- 6) The Licensee's facility shall be subject to random hospital inspections by Board staff at Licensee's expense.

Bradley Gilman, DVM

October 19, 2007

Order of Probation:

1. The Licensee's veterinarian license #1759 shall be placed on probation for a minimum of five (5) years with the following terms and conditions:
 - a. The Licensee shall not be veterinarian in charge of a veterinary facility for the period of probation.
 - b. The Licensee shall attend ten (10) hours of continuing education classes in professional ethics. These classes are in addition to the standard requirement delineated by the Practice Act and must be completed by July 31, 2008.
 - c. The Licensee shall be required to obtain a report of his practice management and skills from a licensed veterinarian in the State of Nevada that he has worked with each year throughout the period of probation.
 - d. The Licensee shall attend two (2) Board meetings a year during the period of the meetings when consumer complaints are being heard.
 - e. The Licensee shall only earn time off his Probation during the time in which he is practicing in Nevada.

Glenn Park, DVM

October 19, 2007

PS01-052207-743

A consumer complaint was filed with the Board on May 22, 2007. The complaint was investigated and it was determined that the Licensee had violated Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) NAC 638.045 (2), negligence in that the Licensee used excessive and unnecessary force in restraining a biting animal causing distress to the dog.

The Board Order stated that:

- 1) Licensee's veterinary license #743 is suspended from the practice of veterinary medicine for a period of thirty (30) days.
- 2) The Licensee shall be evaluated by a licensed professional and participate in stress and anger management therapy or any other treatment regime for a period of time that is at the discretion of the treating Practitioner.
- 3) The Licensee shall pay investigative costs to the Board in the amount of \$1000.00.

Benjamin Davidson, DVM

October 19, 2007

DN01-052307-1631

A consumer complaint was filed with the Board on May 23, 2007. The complaint was investigated and it was determined that the Licensee had violated Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) NAC 638.045 (3), incompetence in that the Licensee administered an improper dose of methonidazole based on a physical examination and the medical history of another family pet. The Licensee did not recommend any further diagnostics, schedule any follow-up, or advise the client of any side effects of the drug.

The Board Order stated that the Licensee shall:

- 1) Pay attorney fees, investigative costs and Board costs, totaling \$400.00; and
- 2) The Licensee shall take an additional two (2) hours of continuing education in pharmacology.

Amy Gallagher, DVM

October 19, 2007

GN01-031407-1036

A consumer complaint was filed with the Board on March 14, 2007. The complaint was investigated and it was determined that the Licensee had violated Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 638.045 (2), Negligence, a departure from the standard of practice of veterinary medicine, and NAC 638.057 (2) by allowing an unlicensed assistant to perform intubation, a dental prophylaxis, and an extraction.

The Board Order stated that:

- 1) The Licensee must not allow any person to perform tasks for which licensure is required as a veterinary technician (as listed in NAC 638.053) unless any such person is licensed as a veterinary technician or registered with the Board as a veterinary technician in training; and
- 2) The Licensee must pay attorney fees, investigative costs and Board costs, totaling \$400.00.

Scott Warner, DVM

October 19, 2007

FS01-052507-1209

A consumer complaint was filed with the Board on May 25, 2007. The complaint was investigated and it was determined that the Licensee had violated Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 638.045 (2), Negligence, a departure from the standard of practice of

veterinary medicine, in that the Licensee, performed a procedure on an animal that was not authorized by the owner.

The Board Order stated that the Licensee must pay attorney fees, investigative costs and Board costs, totaling \$400.00.

Thaddeus Frerking, DVM **October 19, 2007** **FS01-052507-1358**

A consumer complaint was filed with the Board on May 25, 2007. The complaint was investigated and it was determined that the Licensee had violated Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 638.045 (2), Negligence, a departure from the standard of practice of veterinary medicine, in that the Licensee, the supervising veterinarian did not ensure that a licensed veterinary technician understood the procedure that was to be done on the animal prior to surgery. Specifically a procedure was done on an animal that was not authorized by the owner.

The Board Order stated that the Licensee must pay attorney fees, investigative costs and Board costs, totaling \$400.00.

Melissa Huber, DVM **October 19, 2007** **HS01-073107-1656**

A consumer complaint was filed with the Board on July 2, 2007. The complaint was investigated and it was determined that the Licensee had violated Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 638.045 (2), Negligence, a departure from the standard of practice of veterinary medicine, in that the Licensee while performing a Cesarean section/ ovariectomy, encountered complications during the surgery that led to the death of the animal.

The Board Order stated that the Licensee shall:

1. Serve a minimum of one (1) year of probation.
2. Perform all intra-abdominal surgeries under direct supervision during the term of the probation.
3. Perform and submit written proof to the Board of the completion of two (2) Cesarean sections under immediate supervision during the term of probation.
4. Without compensation, perform and submit written proof to the Board of the completion of a minimum of one hundred (100) spays under direct supervision at Board approved facilities during the term of probation.
5. Comply with all requirements of Chapter 638 of the NRS/NAC including, but not limited to, established or customary standards of practice for veterinarians.
6. Pay investigative costs to the Board in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) within six (6) months from the effective date of the Order.

John Koehm, DVM **October 19, 2007** **KN01-070207-284**

A consumer complaint was filed with the Board on July 2, 2007. The complaint was investigated and it was determined that the Licensee had violated Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 638.045 (2), Negligence, a departure from the standard of practice of veterinary medicine, in that during a surgical procedure a rice bag was heated in a microwave by a supervised veterinary assistant and placed under the animal during surgery resulting in a thermal burn.