

DISCIPLINARY ACTION REPORT

EDITORS: Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-1-114 requires the Department of Health to issue a monthly press release listing all disciplinary actions taken by the health related boards during the prior month. Below is a list of actions taken during the month of August, 2007. *Detailed information about disciplinary actions is available on our web site at www.tennessee.gov/health. Click on "License Verification" and enter the name of the person. When the license information comes up, click on "disciplinary action" and then "view board order."*

BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

Licensee: Debra Vekasi, Unlicensed, Knoxville, TN
Violation: Engaging in massage and massage therapy for compensation without being licensed.
Action: Ordered to Cease and Desist from the practice of massage therapy; assessed \$3,500.00 in civil penalties, plus costs

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINERS

Licensee: Marilyn G Graves, Ph.D., Bethpage, TN
Violation: Engaging in the practice when mentally or physically unable to safely do so.
Action: License suspended for a minimum of 6 (six) months, must meet certain terms and conditions, assessed costs

BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

Licensee: David L. Andrews, R.R.T., Manchester, TN, San Antonio, TX
Violation: Immoral, unethical, unprofessional or dishonorable conduct: and disciplinary action imposed by another state.
Action: Licensed revoked, assessed \$1,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs

BOARD OF COMMUNICATIONS DISORDERS AND SCIENCES

Licensee: Tanya L. Jackson, Unlicensed, Chattanooga, TN
Violation: Engaging in unlicensed practice in violation of T.C.A. §63-17-103
Action: Ordered to Cease and Desist practicing speech pathology and representing herself as a speech pathologist, assessed \$15,000 in civil penalties, plus cost

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Licensee: John M. Byrd, (unlicensed), Seymour, TN
Violation: Guilty of a crime; fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a license to practice veterinary medicine, or presenting to the board dishonest or fraudulent evidence of qualification, or fraud or deception in the process of examination for the purpose of securing a license; conduct reflecting unfavorably upon the profession of veterinary medicine; and addiction to the habitual use of intoxication liquors, narcotics or other stimulants to such an extent as to incapacitate the applicant or licensee from the performance of the applicant's professional obligations and duties
Action: License placed on probation for 3 (three) years, must meet certain terms and conditions and assessed costs

Licensee: Deana Ann Hayes, D.V.M. Sweetwater, TN
Violation: Practice in a facility without a premises permit; and unprofessional conduct
Action: Assessed \$1,600.00 in civil penalties, plus costs

Licensee: Julia Sexton, (unlicensed), Seymour, TN
Violation: Engaging in unlicensed practice in violation of T.C.A. §63-12-119
Action: Ordered to CEASE and DESIST in the unlicensed practice of veterinary medicine; assessed \$1,000.00 in civil penalties; and ordered to pay costs

Licensee: Woody Wyatt, (unlicensed), Middlesboro, KY
Violation: Engaging in unlicensed practice in violation of T.C.A. §63-12-119
Action: Ordered to CEASE and DESIST in the unlicensed practice of veterinary medicine; assessed \$1,000.00 in civil penalties; and ordered to pay costs

Abuse Registry Placements

Individual: Sheila Richardson
Abuse: Physical, Verbal
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Amanda Whitten
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Jeanne Watson
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Tammy Y. Warfield
Abuse: Physical, Verbal
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Cherice Jeffcoat
Abuse: Sexual
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Benny M. Howard
Abuse: Misappropriation/Forgery
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Trina Ammons
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry