

AGENDA

CONNECTICUT BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 9:00 AM
Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut

CALL TO ORDER

I. MINUTES

Review and approval of the minutes of the July 29, 2020 meeting.

II. NEW BUSINESS

Review of License Reinstatement Application for Alison Patricelli, DVM
Presented by Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst

III. OFFICE OF LEGAL COMPLIANCE

- A. Pia Hiekkaeranta, DVM – Petition No. 2019-812
Presentation of Consent Order – Brittany Petano, Staff Attorney, DPH
- B. David Sandefer, DVM– Petition No. 2018-392
Presentation of Consent Order – Linda Fazzina, Staff Attorney, DPH

IV. SCHEDULED MEETING DATES FOR 2021

ADJOURN

This meeting will be held by video conference at the following link:

[Board of Veterinary Medicine via Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

(For telephone only) [+1 860-840-2075](tel:+18608402075) - Conference ID: 400 880 847#

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

The **Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine** held a meeting at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Third Floor, Hearing Room, Hartford, Connecticut, on July 29, 2020.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson
G. Kenneth Bernhard, Esq.
Theresa Cianciolo, DVM
Timothy Plunkett, DVM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Olinda Morales, Hearing Officer, DPH
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

Ms. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. All participants were present by video conference.

I. Minutes – April 29, 2020

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Plunkett, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Investigations Update

Mr. Kardys reported there are currently 32 cases under investigation by the Department of Public Health. 6 of the cases have been referred to attorneys in the Department's Office of Legal Compliance for further evaluation.

III. Adjournment

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson
Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine

TO: Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine

FROM: Celeste Dowdell
Licensing Applications Analyst
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section

RE: Alison Patricelli, DVM

Dr. Patricelli is an applicant for Connecticut Veterinarian licensure reinstatement. Dr. Patricelli meets all requirements for reinstatement except she has been out of active practice since 2013.

Applicants for reinstatement who have been out of the active practice for longer than 6 months are presented to the Connecticut Board Veterinary Medicine. The Department seeks the Board's recommendation as to the applicant's suitability for reinstatement.

Please accept this as a summary of the documentation submitted in support of Dr. Patricelli's application.

Veterinary Education: Colorado State University School of Veterinary Medicine- 1997

Navle Exam: completed and passed

Dr. Patricelli currently holds a license in Colorado and previously held a license in Wisconsin. There is no history of discipline against either of these licenses.

CT license #003046

Issued: 8/4/2004

Expired: 8/31/2005

Does the board recommend approval to reinstate this license?



ALISON PATRICELLI, DVM, DACVS

follyfarnevents@gmail.com ♦ 79 Hartford Rd Simsbury, CT 06070 ♦ 860-491-8037

EDUCATION AND AWARDS

Diplomate American College of Veterinary Surgeons, 2001
Winner Veterinary Orthopedic Society Clinical Publication Award 1999, 2000
Winner American College of Veterinary Surgeons Clinical Publication Award 2000
Phi Beta Kappa Veterinary Honors Society Outstanding Clinical Publication Award 1999
Morris Animal Foundation Clinical Research Fellow 1999, 2000
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Magna Cum Laude, Colorado State University 1997
Early Childhood Education Director Certification State of Colorado 2005
Post Graduate Studies Bio-Chemistry Physics, Genetics, Harvard University 1991-1993
Bachelors of Arts with Honors, Wesleyan University 1990

VETERINARY EXPERIENCE

Chief Resident and Small Animal Surgery Resident University of Wisconsin School of
Veterinary Medicine 1998-2001

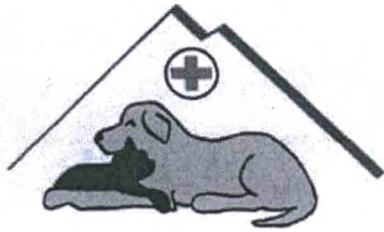
VCA Veterinary Care Animal Hospital and Referral Center—Staff Surgeon 2001-2003

Veterinary Specialists of Connecticut, West Hartford, CT—Staff Surgeon 2003-2004

Breckenridge Animal Hospital, Breckenridge, CO--Staff Surgeon 2005-2007

Farmers Korner Veterinary Hospital Breckenridge, CO—Staff Surgeon 2010-2013

Current Veterinary Licensure State of Colorado



Farmers Korner Veterinary Hospital
16152 Hwy. 9
Breckenridge, CO 80424
Office (970) 453-7387
Fax (888) 785-8989
www.farmerskomervet.com

August 17, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is verification of employment at Farmers Korner Veterinary Hospital by Dr. Alison Patricelli.

Dr. Patricelli was hired on February 4, 2010. She primarily served as staff surgeon while assisting as relief veterinarian in general practice also. Dr. Patricelli was called upon to assist with many areas of surgery especially for orthopedics and in other situations which required a surgical specialist. She was available to us on an as-needed basis until 2013 when she moved out of the area.

I found Alison to be both proficient and efficient, providing the patients with the best of care for their individual needs.

If more information is needed please feel free to contact me at 970-453-7387.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Denisa Court', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Denisa Court, DVM
Practice Owner and Veterinarian

Veterinary Emergency Center

Steve Leshem <sleshem@criticalvet.com>

Mon 8/24/2020 7:17 AM

To: Dowdell, Celeste <Celeste.Dowdell@ct.gov>

EXTERNAL EMAIL: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click any links or open any attachments unless you trust the sender and know the content is safe.

Good morning. I hope you are well. I hope you have been able to stay safe during this pandemic thus far. I am writing in regard to Alison Patricelli. She is a gifted board certified small animal surgeon. She has agreed to come on and join our team at the Veterinary Emergency Center in Canton. She has been licensed and worked in good standing in a number of states including Connecticut in the past. As I am sure you have heard numerous times by now, veterinarians (especially emergency hospitals) have been extremely overworked and understaffed this spring. Please help get her licensed.

Thank you,

Steve Leshem

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Certificate of Continuing Education

This certifies that: **Alison Patricelli, DVM, DACVS**

Registered for an educational, Pain Management in the Face of an Opioid Crisis, originally released on pre-recorded webinar entitled: August 10, 2020

Presented by: James S. Gaynor, DVM, MS, DACVAA, DAIPM

And is awarded: 6 CE credit hour(s)

Date completed: 8/17/2020 19:32:14

The Colorado Veterinary Medical Association produces continuing education content for veterinary professionals. A licensee shall retain documentation demonstrating his/her veterinary continuing education compliance for a minimum of four (4) years. This course has also been approved by the Colorado Association of Certified Veterinary Technicians (Approval #616040) for 6 hours of technical CE credit which may be applied to the July 1, 2020-June 30, 2022 CACVT certification cycle.

C. Diane Matt

DIANE MATT, CVMA CEO

CVMA Colorado Veterinary Medical Association

Certificate of Continuing Education

This certifies that: **Alison Patricelli, DVM, DACVS**

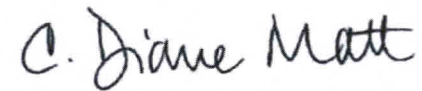
Registered for an educational, **Getting Through the Golden Years: Care for Geriatric Patients, Hospice**
pre-recorded webinar entitled: **Patients, and Their Caregivers, originally released on August 3, 2020**

Presented by: **Mary Gardner, DVM and Sheilah Robertson, BVMS (hons), PhD, DACVAA,
DECVAA, DACAW, DECAWBM (WSEL), CVA, MRCVS**

And is awarded: **6 CE credit hour(s)**

Date completed: **8/17/2020 19:22:37**

The Colorado Veterinary Medical Association produces continuing education content for veterinary professionals. A licensee shall retain documentation demonstrating his/her veterinary continuing education compliance for a minimum of four (4) years. This course has also been approved by the Colorado Association of Certified Veterinary Technicians (Approval #608506) for 6 hours of technical CE credit which may be applied to the July 1, 2020-June 30, 2022 CACVT certification cycle.



DIANE MATT, CVMA CEO

CVMA Colorado Veterinary
Medical Association

CONSENT ORDER COVER SHEET

In re: Pia S. Hiekkaranta, D.V.M.

Petition Number: 2019-812

1. Pia S. Hiekkaranta, D.V.M. of Danbury, Connecticut (hereinafter "respondent") has been issued license number 003217 to practice veterinary medicine by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "Department").
2. The Department alleges that, on or about July 5, 2019, respondent provided treatment to Zach, a Yorkie, that failed to meet the standard of care, in that she:
 - a. Failed to appropriately administer and/or manage anesthesia during a sedated teeth cleaning procedure;
 - b. Failed to appropriately and/or adequately monitor the patient while under anesthesia; and/or
 - c. Failed to timely notify owners of the procedure complication.
3. Respondent has no prior history with DPH.
4. Respondent agrees to the proposed Consent Order, containing the following terms:
 - a. Respondent's license shall be reprimanded;
 - b. Respondent's license shall be placed on probation for one (1) year with coursework and supervision.
5. The Department and Respondent respectfully request that this Board order and accept the proposed Consent Order in this matter.

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH**

In re: Pia S. Hiekkaranta, D.V.M.

Petition No. 2019-812

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Pia S. Hiekkaranta of Danbury, CT (hereinafter "respondent") has been issued license number 003217 to practice veterinary medicine by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 384 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the Department alleges that:

1. On or about July 5, 2019, respondent provided treatment to Zach, a Yorkie, that failed to meet the standard of care in one or more of the following ways, in that she:
 - a. Failed to appropriately administer and/or manage anesthesia during a sedated teeth cleaning procedure;
 - b. Failed to appropriately and/or adequately monitor the patient while under anesthesia; and/or
 - c. Failed to timely notify owners of the procedure complication.
2. The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §20-202 including, but not limited to §20-202(2).

WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above allegations of wrongdoing but, while admitting no guilt or wrongdoing, agrees that for purposes of this or any future proceedings before the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine (hereinafter "the Board"), this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if proven and ordered

after a full hearing held pursuant to §§19a-10, 19a-14 and 20-202 of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §§19a-14, 19a-17 and 20-202 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, respondent hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

1. Respondent waives her right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
2. Respondent's license number 003217 to practice as a veterinarian in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
3. Respondent's license shall be placed on probation for a period of one year under the following terms and conditions:
 - a. Within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Order, respondent shall attend and successfully complete coursework in (1) Anesthesia and Monitoring; and (2) Patient Communication of Adverse Events/Complications, pre-approved by the Department. Within fifteen (15) days of the completion of such coursework, respondent shall provide the Department with proof, to the Department's satisfaction, of the successful completion of such coursework.
 - b. Respondent shall obtain at her own expense, the services of a licensed veterinarian, pre-approved by the Department (hereinafter "supervisor"), to conduct a random review of twenty percent (20%) or twenty (20) of respondent's patient records, whichever is the larger number. In the event respondent has twenty (20) or fewer patients, the supervisor shall review all of respondent's patient records.
 - 1) Respondent shall provide a copy of this Consent Order to her practice supervisor. Respondent's supervisor shall furnish written confirmation to the

Department of his or her engagement in that capacity and receipt of a copy of this Consent Order within fifteen (15) days of the effective date of this Consent Order.

- 2) Respondent's supervisor shall conduct such review and meet with her not less than once every month for the duration of the probationary period.
- 3) The supervisor shall have the right to monitor respondent's practice by any other reasonable means which he or she deems appropriate. Respondent shall fully cooperate with the supervisor in providing such monitoring.
- 4) Respondent shall be responsible for providing written supervisor reports directly to the Department quarterly for the duration of the probationary period. Such supervisor's reports shall include documentation of dates and duration of meetings with respondent, number and a general description of the patient records and patient medication orders and prescriptions reviewed, additional monitoring techniques utilized, and statement as to whether respondent is practicing with reasonable skill and safety. A supervisor report indicating that respondent is not practicing with reasonable skill and safety shall be deemed to be a violation of this Consent Order.

4. All correspondence and reports are to be addressed to:

Olive Tronchin, Health Program Assistant
Practitioner Compliance and Monitoring Unit
Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, MS #12HSR
P.O. Box 340308
Hartford, CT 06134-0308

5. All reports required by the terms of this Consent Order shall be due according to a schedule to be established by the Department of Public Health.
6. Respondent shall comply with all state and federal statutes and regulations applicable to her licensure.
7. Respondent shall pay all costs necessary to comply with this Consent Order.
8. Any alleged violation of any provision of this Consent Order may result in the following procedures at the discretion of the Department:
 - a. The Department shall notify respondent in writing by first-class mail that the term(s) of this Consent Order have been violated, provided that no prior written consent for deviation from said term(s) has been granted.
 - b. Said notification shall include the acts or omission(s) which violate the term(s) of this Consent Order.
 - c. Respondent shall be allowed fifteen (15) days from the date of the mailing of notification required in paragraph 8.a. above to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Department that she has complied with the terms of this Consent Order or, in the alternative, that she has cured the violation in question.
 - d. If respondent does not demonstrate compliance or cure the violation within the fifteen (15) days specified in the notification of violation to the satisfaction of the Department, she shall be entitled to a hearing before the Board which shall make a final determination of the disciplinary action to be taken.
 - e. Evidence presented to the Board by either the Department or respondent in any such hearing shall be limited to the alleged violation(s) of the term(s) of this Consent Order.

9. In the event respondent does not practice as a veterinarian for periods of thirty (30) consecutive days or longer, respondent shall notify the Department in writing. Such periods of times shall not be counted in reducing the probationary period covered by this Consent Order and such terms shall be held in abeyance. During such time period, respondent shall not be responsible for complying with the terms of probation of this Consent Order. In the event respondent resumes the practice of veterinary medicine, respondent shall provide the Department with thirty (30) days prior written notice. Respondent shall not return to the practice of veterinary medicine without written pre-approval from the Department. Respondent agrees that the Department, in its complete discretion, may require additional documentation from respondent and/or require respondent to satisfy other conditions or terms as a condition precedent to respondent's return to practice. Respondent agrees that any return to the practice of veterinary medicine without pre-approval from the Department shall constitute a violation of this Consent Order and may subject the respondent to further disciplinary action.
10. If, during the period of probation, respondent practices veterinary medicine outside Connecticut, she shall provide written notice to the Department concerning such practice. During such time period, respondent shall not be responsible for complying with the terms of probation of this Consent Order, and such time period shall not be counted in reducing the probationary period covered by this Consent Order. Respondent may comply with the terms of probation while practicing outside Connecticut if pre-approved by the Department. In the event respondent intends to return to the practice of veterinary medicine in Connecticut, respondent shall provide the Department with thirty (30) days prior written notice and agrees to comply with all terms and conditions contained in paragraph 3 above.

11. In the event respondent violates any term of this Consent Order, said violation may also constitute grounds for the Department to seek a summary suspension of her license before the Board.
12. Legal notice shall be sufficient if sent to respondent's last known address of record reported to the Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section of the Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch of the Department.
13. This Consent Order is effective on the first day of the month immediately following the date this Consent Order is accepted and ordered by the Board.
14. Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order shall be deemed a public document, and the Department's allegations as contained in this Consent Order shall be deemed true in any subsequent proceeding before the Board in which her compliance with this Consent Order or with §20-202 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.
15. In the event respondent violates a term of this Consent Order, respondent agrees immediately to refrain from practicing as a veterinarian, upon request by the Department, with notice to the BOARD, for a period not to exceed 45 days. During that time period, respondent further agrees to cooperate with the Department in its investigation of the violation, and to submit to and complete a medical, psychiatric or psychological evaluation, if requested to do so by the Department; and, that the results of the evaluation shall be submitted directly to the Department. Respondent further agrees that failure to cooperate with the Department in its investigation during said 45 day period shall constitute grounds for the Department to seek a summary suspension of respondent's license. In any such summary action, respondent stipulates that failure to cooperate with the Department's

investigation shall be considered by the Board and shall, as a matter of law, constitute a clear and immediate danger as required pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, sections 4-182(c) and 19a-17(c). The Department and respondent understand that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether a summary suspension is ordered.

16. Any extension of time or grace period for reporting granted by the Department shall not be a waiver or preclude the Department from taking action at a later time. The Department shall not be required to grant future extensions of time or grace periods.
17. This Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Respondent agrees that this Consent Order shall not be subject to modification as a result of any claim that the terms contained herein may result in action by third parties, including, but not limited to, healthcare facilities and/or credentialing or licensure boards and respondent waives any right to seek reconsideration or modification of this Consent Order pursuant to §4-181a of the General Statutes of Connecticut without the express consent and agreement of the Department. Respondent assumes all responsibility for assessing such actions prior to the execution of this document. Further, this Consent Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 or 368a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any rights that she may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
18. This Consent Order is a revocable offer of settlement which may be modified by mutual agreement or withdrawn by the Department at any time prior to its being executed by the last signatory.

19. Respondent permits a representative of the Department to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the Board. Respondent understands that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether this executed Consent Order is approved or accepted. Respondent hereby waives any claim of error that could be raised that is related to or arises during the course of the Board's discussions regarding whether to approve or reject this Consent Order and/or a Board member's participation during this process, through the Board member's review or comments, including but not limited to bias or reliance on evidence outside the administrative record if this matter proceeds to a hearing on a statement of charges resulting in a proposed decision by the Board and/or a panel of the Board and a final decision by the Board.
20. Respondent understands and agrees that she is responsible for satisfying all of the terms of this Consent Order during vacations and other periods in which she is away from her residence.
21. Respondent has the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.
22. The execution of this document has no bearing on any criminal liability without the written consent of the Director of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit or the State's Attorney's Office where the allegation occurred or Bureau Chief of the applicable unit in the Chief State's Attorney's Office. The purpose of this Consent Order is to resolve the pending administrative license disciplinary petition only, and is not intended to affect any civil or criminal liability or defense.
23. This Consent Order embodies the entire agreement of the parties with respect to this case. All previous communications or agreements regarding the subject matter of this consent

order, whether oral or written, between the parties are superseded unless expressly incorporated herein or made a part hereof.

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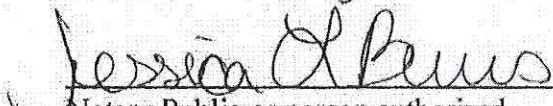
I, Pia S. Hiekkaranta, have read the above Consent Order, and I stipulate and agree to the terms as set forth therein. I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.



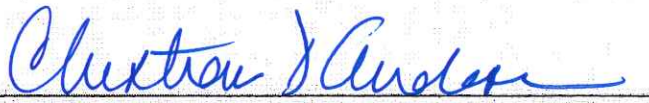
Pia S. Hiekkaranta, D.V.M.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of August 2020.




Notary Public or person authorized
by law to administer an oath or affirmation

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health on the 9th day of September 2020, it is hereby accepted.



Christian D. Andresen, MPH, Section Chief
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section
Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine on the _____ day of _____ 2020, it is hereby ordered and accepted.

Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine

CONSENT ORDER COVER SHEET

In re: David Sandefer, DVM

Petition No. 2018-392

1. David Sandefer of Falls Village, Connecticut (hereinafter "respondent") was issued license number 001768 to practice veterinary medicine on January 30, 1986.
2. Respondent has no disciplinary history.
3. The Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") opened this petition after receiving a complaint from the owner of a German shepherd.
4. The Department alleges that on or about March 28, 2018, an associate in respondent's practice diagnosed the shepherd with a large splenic mass, free fluid in her abdomen (suspected to be blood) and a regenerative anemia. The shepherd was sent home with instructions that included dropping her off the next day for a splenectomy. Subsequently, on or about March 29, 2018, the shepherd was admitted for surgery by unlicensed staff, without an intake exam or without requiring shepherd's owner to meet with the surgical technician and respondent, who was going to perform the surgery. At approximately 11:45 a.m., unlicensed staff found the shepherd collapsed and in agonal breathing, prior to any surgery being performed.
5. The Department further alleges respondent negligently and/or unskillfully provided care and treatment to shepherd in that he failed to timely and/or appropriately treat the shepherd's splenic mass by, without limitation, rescheduling surgeries he had pre-planned for the morning of March 29, 2018 in order to accommodate emergency surgery for the shepherd first thing that morning.
6. The proposed Consent Order provides for a reprimand.
7. The Department and respondent respectfully request that the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine order and accept the proposed Consent Order in this matter.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH

In re: David Sandefer, D.V.M.

Petition No. 2018-392

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, David Sandefer with a veterinary practice in Falls Village, Connecticut (hereinafter "respondent") has been issued license number 001768 to practice veterinary medicine by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 384 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the Department alleges that:

1. On or about March 28, 2018, a veterinarian in respondent's practice diagnosed a nine-year-old female German Shepherd, with a large splenic mass, free fluid in her abdomen (suspected to be blood), and a regenerative anemia. The German Shepherd was sent home with her owner and with instructions that included dropping the dog off the next day for a splenectomy. Subsequently, on or about March 29, 2018, the dog returned to respondent's practice, at approximately 7:50 a.m., and was admitted for surgery by unlicensed staff, without an intake exam or without requiring the owner to meet with the surgical technician and respondent, who was going to perform the surgery. At approximately 11:45 a.m., unlicensed staff found the dog collapsed and in agonal breathing, prior to any surgery being performed.
2. Respondent negligently and/or unskillfully provided care and treatment to the German Shepherd in that he failed to timely and/or appropriately treat the dog's splenic mass by,

without limitation, rescheduling surgeries he had pre-planned for the morning of March 29, 2018 in order to accommodate emergency surgery for the German Shepherd first thing that morning.

2. The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §20-202(2).

WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above allegations of wrongdoing but, while admitting no guilt or wrongdoing, agrees that for purposes of this or any future proceedings before the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine (hereinafter "the Board"), this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if proven and ordered after a full hearing held pursuant to §§19a-10, 19a-14 and 20-202 of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §§19a-14, 19a-17 and 20-202 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, respondent hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

1. Respondent waives respondent's right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
2. Respondent's license number 001768 to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
3. Respondent shall comply with all state and federal statutes and regulations applicable to respondent's licensure.
4. Respondent shall pay all costs necessary to comply with this Consent Order.
5. Legal notice shall be sufficient if sent to respondent's last known address of record reported to the Department.
6. This Consent Order is effective on the first day of the month immediately following the date this Consent Order is accepted and ordered by the Board.

7. Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order shall be deemed a public document, and the Department's allegations as contained in this Consent Order shall be deemed true in any subsequent proceeding before the Board in which respondent's compliance with this Consent Order or with Chapter 384 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.
9. This Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Respondent agrees that this Consent Order shall not be subject to modification as a result of any claim that the terms contained herein may result in action by third parties, including, but not limited to, healthcare facilities and/or credentialing or licensure boards and respondent waives any right to seek reconsideration or modification of this Consent Order pursuant to §4-181a of the General Statutes of Connecticut without the express consent and agreement of the Department. Respondent assumes all responsibility for assessing such actions prior to the execution of this document. Further, this Consent Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 or 368a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any rights that respondent may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
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to approve or reject this Consent Order and/or a Board member's participation during this process, through the Board member's review or comments, including but not limited to bias or reliance on evidence outside the administrative record if this matter proceeds to a hearing on a statement of charges resulting in a proposed decision by the Board and/or a panel of the Board and a final decision by the Board.

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14. This Consent Order embodies the entire agreement of the parties with respect to this case. All previous communications or agreements regarding the subject matter of this consent order, whether oral or written, between the parties are superseded unless expressly incorporated herein or made a part hereof.

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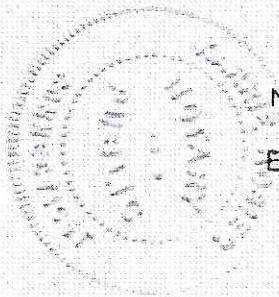
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I, David Sandefer, have read the above Consent Order, and I stipulate and agree to the terms as set forth therein. I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.

David Sandefer
David Sandefer, D.V.M.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of September 2020.



Karrie Rosier
Notary Public State of CT
Commission
Exp: 7/31/2024

Karrie Rosier
Notary Public or person authorized
by law to administer an oath or affirmation

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health on the 8th day of October 2020, it is hereby accepted.

Christian D. Andresen
Christian D. Andresen, MPH, Section Chief
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section
Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine on the ___ day of _____ 2020, it is hereby ordered and accepted.

Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine