

THE SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF
MEDICAL AND OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA	*	
BOARD OF MEDICAL AND OSTEOPATHIC	*	STIPULATION
EXAMINERS INITIAL APPLICATION	*	AND
FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANT REGISTRATION	*	AGREEMENT
SUBMITTED BY BRANDI J. ARENS	*	

WHEREAS, Brandi J. Arens, herein referred to as "Ms. Arens", submitted an initial application for registration as a medical assistant, and the application revealed concerns regarding her mental health, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arens understands and agrees that she has the burden of proof, and she further understands and agrees that the Joint Board consisting of the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners and the South Dakota Board of Nursing, herein referred to as "the Board", has jurisdiction of the parties and subject matter herein, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arens met with members of the Board's Investigative Review Panel, and she understands and agrees that it will be necessary for her to obtain treatment from a psychiatrist and a mental health counselor approved in advance by the Board so that she can receive consistent treatment, counseling and care, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arens understands that the Board has discretion to approve, modify or reject this Stipulation and Agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Investigative Review Panel recommended that Ms. Arens be issued a restricted registration as a medical assistant with the following conditions:

1. She shall locate a psychiatrist, approved in advance by the Board, for treatment, and she shall provide authorization to her psychiatrist to submit bi-annual progress reports regarding her treatment and status to the Board. In the event that her psychiatrist is no longer able to provide treatment, she shall immediately locate another psychiatrist approved in advance by the Board, and notify the Board in writing.
2. She shall locate a mental health counselor approved in advance by the Board, and she shall provide authorization to her counselor to submit bi-annual progress reports regarding her status to the Board and to her psychiatrist. In the event that her mental health counselor can no longer provide treatment, she shall immediately locate another mental health counselor approved in advance by the Board, and notify the Board in writing.

3. She understands and agrees that if she violates any conditions of this agreement, her restricted registration shall be immediately suspended until such time as a hearing can be arranged so that she can show cause as to why her restricted registration should not be permanently revoked.

WHEREAS, Ms. Arens agrees to the conditions contained herein, and she understands that this STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT is a public record that will be reported to all agencies as deemed necessary by the Board, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arens agrees that the Stipulation and Agreement is valid and enforceable pending final review at the next Board meeting, and

WHEREAS, the Board has the authority to approve, modify, or reject this agreement, and if this agreement is modified or rejected by the Board, Ms. Arens agrees that a new Stipulation and Agreement shall be required to be approved in order to maintain her registration and practice, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arens understands that if the Board makes any modifications to this agreement, such modifications shall be made in writing, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arens understands that she has the right to have an attorney review this document; however, if no attorney signs this document, Ms. Arens understands that she waives this right.

Dated this 27 day of August, 2009.

By: Brandi J. Arens
Brandi J. Arens

By: _____ Date: _____
Attorney for Ms. Arens (if applicable)

By: Gloria Damgaard Date: 9-1-09
Gloria Damgaard
Executive Director, South Dakota Board of Nursing

By: Margaret B. Hansen Date: 8/31/09
Margaret B. Hansen
Executive Director, South Dakota Board of Medical & Osteopathic Examiners

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IN THE MATTER OF THE SOUTH * ORDER TO APPROVE
DAKOTA BOARD OF MEDICAL *
AND OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS * STIPULATION ON AGREED
INITIAL APPLICATION FOR MEDICAL *
ASSISTANT REGISTRATION * DISPOSITION
SUBMITTED BY BRANDI J. ARENS *

WHEREAS, Brandi Arens (Ms. Arens) submitted an initial application for registration as a medical assistant, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arens agrees and understands that the Joint Board consisting of the South Dakota State Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners and the South Dakota Board of Nursing have jurisdiction of the parties and subject matter herein, and


WHEREAS, Ms. Arens further agrees and understands that it is necessary to place certain restrictions on her registration as a medical assistant.

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that a restricted registration is issued to Ms. Arens. and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Stipulation on Agreed Disposition is approved in its entirety.

Dated this 15th day of September, 2009

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By 
Robert L. Ferrell, MD
President, SDBMOE