



BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of)	
)	KSBHA Docket No. 24-HA00022
Kuhlman, Alex J.)	
Kansas License No. 11-05154)	

CONSENT ORDER FOR SURRENDER OF LICENSE

COMES NOW, Petitioner, Disciplinary Panel #37 (“the Panel”), a duly authorized committee of the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts (“Board”), by and through Matthew Gaus, Deputy Litigation Counsel, and Alex J. Kuhlman, P.T. (“Licensee”) *pro se*, and move the Board for approval of a Consent Order affecting Licensee’s license to practice physical therapy in the state of Kansas. The parties stipulate and agree to the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Licensee’s last mailing address as provided to the Board is **CONFIDENTIAL** ; **CONFIDENTIAL** . However, it is unclear whether this mailing address is still active. Upon knowledge and belief, Licensee may be reached at one or more of the following addresses:

- a. **CONFIDENTIAL** ; and/or
- b. **CONFIDENTIAL**
- CONFIDENTIAL** .

2. Licensee’s last known e-mail address provided to the Board is **CONFIDENTIAL**

3. Licensee is or has been licensed to engage in the practice of physical therapy in Kansas, having been issued License No. 11-05154 on or about June 30, 2015. Licensee’s current

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license status is Cancelled-Suspended. Licensee's license was emergently suspended by Board Order on June 6, 2024. Licensee's suspended license was cancelled for failure to renew on December 31, 2024.

4. At all times relevant to the allegations set forth in this Consent Order, Licensee held an Active license to engage in the practice of physical therapy in the state of Kansas.

5. This Consent Order is based on the following facts, which the parties agree to and stipulated to be true and relevant to the requested relief:

a. **CONFIDENTIAL**

b.

c.

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d.

- e. On June 6, 2024 the Board issued an Order granting emergency suspension of Licensee's license as of that date, finding that pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2912, K.S.A. 65-2838(c), and K.S.A. 77-536 there was a reasonable cause to believe that grounds existed for disciplinary action against Licensee and that immediate continuation of practice by the Licensee "would constitute an imminent danger to the public health and safety necessitating the issuance of this order."

f. **CONFIDENTIAL**

- g. On July 25, 2024, **CONFIDENTIAL**
CONFIDENTIAL, Licensee admitted **CONFIDENTIAL** that he had continued to practice while his license was suspended.

h. **CONFIDENTIAL**

i. **CONFIDENTIAL**

VIOLATIONS OF THE KANSAS PHYSICAL THERAPY PRACTICE ACT

6. Licensee has committed an act or acts in violation of the Kansas Physical Therapy Practice Act., K.S.A. 65-2901, *et seq.*, and/or Board regulations governing the practice of physical therapy. Specifically:

- a. Licensee's conduct violated K.S.A. 65-2901(a) and K.S.A. 65-2913(a), in that Licensee represented himself as a physical therapist despite his license to practice physical therapy having been suspended by the Board;
- b. Licensee's conduct violated K.S.A. 65-2912(a)(5) as defined by **CONFIDENTIAL** **CONFIDENTIAL** in that Licensee committed unprofessional conduct by practicing physical therapy without reasonable skill and safety **CONFIDENTIAL** **CONFIDENTIAL** **CONFIDENTIAL** ;
- c. Licensee's conduct violated K.S.A. 65-2912(a)(5) as further defined by K.A.R. 100-29-12(a)(18), in that Licensee committed unprofessional conduct by committing conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public; and
- d. Licensee's conduct violated K.S.A. 65-2912(a)(5) as further defined by K.A.R. 100-29-12(a)(26), in that Licensee committed unprofessional conduct by violating any regulations adopted by the board relating to the practice of physical therapy.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

7. The Board is the sole and exclusive administrative agency of the State of Kansas authorized to regulate the practice of physical therapy in the State of Kansas. K.S.A. 65-2901, *et seq.*

8. The Kansas Physical Therapy Act is constitutional on its face and as applied in the case. Licensee agrees that in considering this matter, the Board is not acting beyond its jurisdiction as provided by law.

9. The terms and conditions of this Consent Order are entered into between the undersigned parties and are submitted for the purpose of allowing these terms and conditions to become an Order of the Board. Upon approval, these stipulations shall constitute the findings of the Board, and this Consent Order shall constitute the Board's Final Order. This Consent Order shall not be binding on the Board until an authorized signature is affixed at the end of this document. Licensee specifically acknowledges that counsel for the Board is not authorized to sign this Consent Order on behalf of the Board.

10. Under K.S.A. 77-505 and K.S.A. 65-2838(b) the Board has authority to enter into this Consent Order without the necessity of holding hearings in this matter.

11. Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives his right to a hearing. Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives his right to present a defense by oral testimony and documentary evidence, to submit rebuttal evidence, and to conduct cross-examination of witnesses. Licensee voluntarily and knowingly agrees to waive all possible substantive and procedural motions and defenses that could be raised if an administrative hearing were held.

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12. Licensee acknowledges that if formal proceedings were conducted, and Licensee presented no exhibits, witnesses, or other evidence, the Board has sufficient evidence to prove that Licensee violated the Kansas Physical Therapy Practice Act as stated above. Licensee further waives his right to dispute or otherwise contest the allegations contained in the above paragraphs in any further proceedings before the Board.

13. Licensee agrees that all information maintained by the Board pertaining to the nature and result of any complaint and/or investigation may be fully disclosed to and considered by the Board in conjunction with the presentation of any offer of settlement, even if Licensee is not present. Licensee further acknowledges that the Board may conduct further inquiry as it deems necessary before accepting any offer of settlement.

14. A Protective Order shall be entered to protect all confidential information under 42 C.F.R. Part II, K.S.A. 65-2839a(d), K.S.A. 65-4915, and K.S.A. 65-2898a.

15. Licensee waives any objection to the participation of the Board members, including the Disciplinary Panel and General Counsel, in the consideration of this offer of settlement and agrees not to seek the disqualification or recusal of any Board member or General Counsel in any future proceedings on the basis that the Board member or General Counsel has received investigative information from any source which otherwise may not be admissible or admitted as evidence.

16. Nothing in this Consent Order shall be construed to deny the Board jurisdiction to investigate alleged violations of the Kansas Healing Arts Act, or to investigate complaints received under the Risk Management law, K.S.A. 65-4921, *et seq.*, that are known or unknown and are not

covered under this Consent Order, or to initiate formal proceedings based upon known or unknown allegations of violations of the Kansas Physical Therapy Act.

17. Licensee hereby releases the Board, its individual members (in their official and personal capacity), attorneys, employees and agents, hereinafter collectively referred to as "Releasees", from any and all claims including but not limited to those alleged damages, actions, liabilities, both administrative and civil, including the Kansas Judicial Review Act, K.S.A. 77-601 *et seq.* arising out of the investigation and acts leading to the execution of this Consent Order. This release shall forever discharge the Releasees of any and all claims or demands of every kind and nature that Licensee has claimed to have had at the time of this release or might have had, either known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, and Licensee shall not commence to prosecute, cause or permit to be prosecuted, any action or proceeding of any description against the Releasees.

18. The Board may consider all aspects of this Consent Order in any future matter regarding Licensee.

19. This Consent Order when signed by both parties, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and may only be modified or amended by a subsequent document executed in the same manner by the parties.

20. Licensee acknowledges he has read this Consent Order and fully understands the contents.

21. Licensee acknowledges this Consent Order has been entered into freely and voluntarily.

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22. This Consent Order constitutes **public disciplinary action**. Licensee acknowledges and understands that this Consent Order shall be deemed a public record and shall be reported to any entities authorized to receive disclosure of the Consent Order.

23. In lieu of conducting a formal proceeding, Licensee hereby voluntarily agrees to the following disciplinary action against his license to practice physical therapy.

SURRENDER OF LICENSE TO PRACTICE PHYSICAL THERAPY

24. In lieu of conducting a formal proceeding, Licensee hereby agrees to **surrender his license to practice physical therapy in Kansas**. Such surrender shall be treated as a revocation for all purposes, including reporting.

25. Licensee agrees that an application for reinstatement of license shall be considered in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 65-2844. Further, Licensee's application shall be governed by *Vakas v. The Kansas Board of Healing Arts*, 248 Kan. 589 (Kan. 1991), and all applicable statutes, laws, rules and regulations regarding qualifications for licensure and reinstatement.

26. Licensee acknowledges and understands that in the event he applies for reinstatement, the allegations contained in this Consent Order shall be considered as findings of fact and conclusions of law.

27. Approving the proposed Consent Order will resolve **CONFIDENTIAL** as well as the Petition in the captioned matter, without the need for further litigation, thereby promoting judicial efficacy and making good use of limited resources. Furthermore, approving the proposed Consent Order will further the Board's mission of protecting the public against the unprofessional, improper, unauthorized, and unqualified

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practice of the healing arts by immediately removing Licensee's ability to practice physical therapy in the State of Kansas.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Consent Order and agreement of the parties contained herein is adopted by the Board as findings of fact, conclusions of law, and as a Final Order of the Board.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Petition filed in this matter (KSBHA Docket No. 24-HA00022) is hereby dismissed without prejudice, and all hearings currently pending in this matter are cancelled.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days of the execution of this Consent Order Licensee shall place all patient medical records in the custody of another licensed practitioner of physical therapy, or a records maintenance facility, and provide the Board with all required notices, in compliance with K.A.R. 100-24-2 and 100-24-3.

IT IS SO ORDERED on this 18th day of June, 2025.

**FOR THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF
HEALING ARTS:**

Susan Hill

Executive Director

6/18/2025

Date

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Licensee

5/8/2025
Date

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing **Consent Order** was served on the 18th
day of July 2025, by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first class postage
prepaid, and via email to below:

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And the original was hand filed with the office of the Executive Director

Susan Gile, Executive Director
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/s/ [Signature]
Staff Member

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