TEXAS STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS
1946 South IH 35, Box 113
Austin, TX 78704

DOCKET NUMBER 1991-19
LOREN DOUGLAS MEADOR D.V.M.
LICENSE NUMBER: 5932

NEGOITIATED SETTLEMENT

This negotiated settlement has been entered by agreement between Dr. Loren Douglas Meador, Senator Robert Glasgow, legal counsel for Dr. Meador, the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners staff in concurrence with the Board Secretary. It is presented to the Board as a recommendation only. If the Board elects to reject or amend this negotiated settlement the defendant, Dr. Meador, will be granted a continuance at his option.

Dr. Meador does not contest the allegations set forth in the Complaint and agrees that, accordingly, the Board may treat the allegations of fact and law as true, which findings shall have the same force and effect as if evidence and argument were presented in support of the allegations, and based thereon, the Board found the allegations to be true. Respondent understands and intends that by so stating, he is not admitting the truth of the allegations, but is merely agreeing that the Board may enter an Order treating the allegations as true without the necessity of receiving evidence in support thereof.

SUMMARY OF CHARGES: Fail to maintain Scheduled Drug records; fail to maintain patient records; use of Scheduled Drugs for self and not for animals; received disciplinary action from another jurisdiction, i.e., Texas Racing Commission.

RECOMMENDED DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

1. Five Year suspension, all probated

2. $2,500.00 Civil Penalty

CONDITIONS:

1. Submit quarterly reports certifying continued compliance with the Orders during the probationary period, with the first report due April 1, 1991.

2. Abide by the laws and Rules of the State of Texas as they pertain to the practice of veterinary medicine.

3. Take and pass the State Board Jurisprudence Examination as scheduled by the Board staff.

4. Obtain 20 hours of Continuing Education per year of probation.

LOREN DOUGLAS MEADOR, D.V.M.

Donald B. Wilson, Executive Director
TEXAS BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Date: 2/8/91
The foregoing Agreed Settlement, entered into between Dr. Lorren D. Meador, the Board Secretary, and Board Executive Staff and having been presented to the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners as a No contest Plea, was accepted by the Board, and the Board, on the 8th of February, 1991, ORDERED that all penalties and conditions as stated therein be complied with the same as if the Board had heard evidence and testimony and as a result of such hearing had issued Findings and Orders.

Executed this the 8th day of February, 1991.

[Signatures]

Robert D. Lewis, D.V.M., President

[Signatures]

Mary E. Mainster, D.V.M., Vice-President

[Signatures]

Guy A. Sheppard, D.V.M., Secretary

[Signatures]

Larry M. Dubuisson, D.V.M., Member

[Signatures]

Mrs. Olivia R. Eudaly, D.V.M., Member

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Alton F. Hopkins, Jr., D.V.M., Member

[Signatures]

Mr. Mike Levi, Member

[Signatures]

Fred K. Soifer, D.V.M., Member

[Signatures]

Mr. Clark S. Willingham, Member
DOCKETED COMPLAINT NO. 1991-19

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

vs.

LORREN DOUGLAS MEADOR, D.V.M.

TEXAS VETERINARY MEDICAL LICENSE NO. 5932

1990 RENEWAL CERTIFICATE NUMBER 3010

COMPLAINT AFFIDAVIT FORM

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for Texas, on this day personally appeared ERNIE M. CARROLL, who after being duly sworn, did depose and say:

On or about August 18, 1990, Ernie M. Carroll, being an employee of the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, did in the course of such employment, make certain investigations into the professional conduct of one LORREN DOUGLAS MEADOR, D.V.M., Lost Valley Ranch, Hwy. 16 E., Bandera, Bandera County, Texas, Veterinary License Number 5932, 1990 Renewal Certificate Number 3010, a practitioner of veterinary medicine in the State of Texas. As an employee of the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, I, Ernie M. Carroll, do hereby present the following complaint against LORREN DOUGLAS MEADOR, D.V.M., who is hereinafter called Respondent.

I.

On or about August 18, 1990, an investigation of Respondent was conducted at Bandera Downs Racetrack, Bandera, Bandera County, Texas, at which time Respondent was found to be in possession of an unlabeled container containing Acetaminophen with Codeine, a Schedule III Controlled Substance. Also Respondent was in possession of two labeled vials of Testosterone Enanthate, a Schedule IV Controlled Substance.

II.

Respondent ordered Acetaminophen with Codeine from IDE, Interstate Drug Exchange, Amityville, NY, for his personal use and not for the medical care of animals, as follows:

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III.

Respondent does not possess a Texas Department of Public Safety Narcotics Registration Certificate nor a DEA Controlled Substance Registration Certificate showing a Texas location and address that authorizes him to distribute or dispense these drugs.
IV.

Respondent disclosed to Investigator Carroll on August 18, 1990, that he does not enter diagnosis or dosage units of medications administered and/or dispensed, on his patient records. A review of patient records by Investigator Carroll on the same day confirmed that the patient records are incomplete, as described above.

V.

Respondent does not maintain a Controlled Substances Inventory Record as required by the Texas Veterinary Licensing Act, Article 8890, Section 7(b) and Rule 573.50 of the Rules of Professional Conduct.

VI.

On or about September 14, 1990, the Board of Stewards at Bandera Downs found Respondent had violated Texas Racing Commission Rules 319.59 (7 counts); 319.4(a) (2 counts), and 7.04 (14). Respondent’s license was suspended for a period of one year, commencing September 14, 1990.

VII.

By possessing the unlabeled container of Acetaminophen with Codeine as described in Paragraph I, Respondent has violated Rule 573.40 of the Rules of Professional Conduct which states:

573.40 LABELING OF MEDICATIONS DISPENSED
It is the responsibility of the veterinarian to label all unlabeled medications and/or other products dispensed. This label must include:
1. Name, address and telephone number of clinic,
2. Name of veterinarian dispensing,
3. Patient/client name,
4. Name of medication and/or other veterinary product,
5. Quantity and strength of product,
6. Directions for administration,
7. Date dispensed, and
8. Precautionary statements as required by law, i.e., not for human consumption, poisonous, etc.

VIII.

By ordering the Acetaminophen with Codeine for self use as described in Paragraph II, Respondent has violated Rule 573.41 of the Rules of Professional Conduct which states:

573.41 USE OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS
(a.) It is unprofessional conduct for a licensed veterinarian to prescribe or dispense, deliver, or order delivered any prescription drug without first having established a veterinary/client/patient relationship by having personally examined the individual animal, herd, or a representative segment or a consignment lot thereof and determined that such prescription drug is therapeutically indicated following said examination. Prescription drugs include all controlled substances in Schedules I thru V and Legend Drugs which bear the federal legends, recognized as such by any law of the State of Texas or of the United States.
(b.) It shall be unprofessional and a violation of the Rules of Professional Conduct for a licensed veterinarian to prescribe, provide, obtain, order, administer, possess, dispense, give or deliver to or for any person prescription drugs, that are not necessary or required for the medical care of animals, or where the use or possession of such drugs would promote addiction thereto. Prescription drugs are defined in subsection (a.) of this section.

IX.

By failing to maintain patient records reflecting the diagnosis and dosages of medications administered and/or dispensed, as outlined in Paragraph IV, Respondent has violated Rule 573.52 of the Rules of Professional Conduct which states in part:

573.52 PATIENT RECORD KEEPING
(a.) Individual records will be maintained at the place of business and include, but are not limited to, identification of patient, patient history, including immunization records, dates of visits, x-rays, name and dosages of medications administered and/or dispensed, and other details as necessary to substantiate diagnosis and treatment.

(b.) Patient records shall be current and maintained on the business premises for a period of three years and are the responsibility and property of the employing veterinarian.

X.

By failing to maintain Controlled Substances Records as described in Paragraph V, Respondent has violated the Texas Veterinary Licensing Act, Article 8890, Section 7(b) and Rule 573.50 of the Rules of Professional Conduct which state in part:

Article 8890, Section 7(b), Veterinary Licensing Act:
The Board shall require it licensees to maintain a record-keeping system for controlled substances as prescribed by the Texas Controlled substances Act, (Article 4476-15), Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) . . . . "

573.50 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES RECORDS KEEPING FOR DRUGS ON HAND
Texas veterinarians shall maintain at their place of business records of all scheduled drugs listed in the Texas Controlled Substances Act, in their possession. These records shall be maintained for a minimum of five (5) years. The form for keeping records of those drugs shall contain the following information in addition to the name of the drug:
1. Date of acquisition,
2. Quantity purchased,
3. Date administered, dispensed,
4. Quantity administered, dispensed,
5. Name of client and patient receiving the drug(s),
6. Diagnosis and
XI.

Through violation and receipt of the disciplinary action from the Texas Racing Commission as outlined in Paragraph VI, Respondent has violated the Texas Veterinary Licensing Act, Article 8890, Section 14(a)(16) which states in part:

**Article 8890, Section 14a**

". . . the Board may revoke or suspend a license, impose a civil penalty, place a person whose license has been suspended on probation, or reprimand a licensee . . . if it finds that a licensee:

(16) is subject to a disciplinary action in another jurisdiction, including the suspension, probation, or revocation of a license to practice veterinary medicine issued by another jurisdiction.

XII.

The Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners has grounds to take disciplinary action against Dr. Meador’s Veterinary License under the Texas Veterinary Licensing Act, V.A.T.S., Article 8890, (formerly Article 7465a) Section 14 which states in part:

**Article 8890, Sec. 14(a)**

". . . the Board may revoke or suspend a license, impose a civil penalty, place a person whose license has been suspended on probation, or reprimand a licensee . . . if it finds that . . . a licensee:

(3) has engaged in dishonest or illegal practices in or connected with the practice of veterinary medicine;

(5) has engaged in practices or conduct in connection with the practice of veterinary medicine which are violative of the standards of professional conduct as duly promulgated by the Board in accordance with law;

(16) is subject to a disciplinary action in another jurisdiction, including the suspension, probation, or revocation of a license to practice veterinary medicine issued by another jurisdiction.

**Article 8890, Section 14B**

(a) If a person violates this Act in a manner that constitutes grounds for disciplinary action by the Board, the Board may assess a civil penalty against that person in addition to taking action under Section 14 or 14A of this Act.

The foregoing complaint is submitted to the Secretary of the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners on this the 24th day of January, 1991.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

[Signature]

ERNIE M. CARROLL, Affiant
SUBSCRIBED and SWORN TO before me by the said ERNIE M. CARROLL, this the 4th day of January, 1991.

JUDY C. SMITH
Notary Public in and for Texas

The foregoing Complaint is hereby filed and docketed with the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners and styled Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners vs. Lorren Douglas Meador, D.V.M. under Docket Number 1991-19, this the 11th day of January, 1991.

GUY A. SHEPPARD, D.V.M., Secretary
Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners