TEXAS STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS
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DOCKET NUMBER 1996-16
MICHAEL H. REVES, DVM
LICENSE NUMBER 5129

AGREED ORDER

This agreed order has been entered between Dr. Michael H. Reves and Ron Allen, the Executive Director of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, 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 agreed order, Dr. Michael Reves, will be granted a continuance at his option.

Dr. Reves does not contest the allegations set forth in the Complaints, attached as Exhibit "A" (Case No. 95-055), Exhibit "B" (Case No. 95-082), Exhibit "C" (Case No. 95-093) and incorporated herein for all purposes, and agrees that: (1) the Board may treat the allegations of fact and law as true; and (2) the findings shall have the same force and effect as if evidence and argument were presented in support of the allegations. 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:

Dr. Reves has violated Rule 573.22 - Standard of Care, of the Rules of Professional Conduct by releasing two animals in a tranquilized condition. (Case No. 95-055; Case No. 95-082).

Dr. Reves has violated Rule 573-52 - Patient Record Keeping, of the Rules of Professional Conduct by failing to document pre-operative examinations (Case No. 95-055; Case No. 95-082; Case No. 95-093).

Dr. Reves has violated Section 14 (a) (5) of the Veterinary Licensing Act, based on the conduct described above.

RECOMMENDED DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

1. Dr. Reves' veterinary license shall be suspended for two (2) years, such suspension to be stayed and probated in its entirety.

2. Dr. Reves shall pay an administrative penalty in the amount of $1,000.00 within 45 days of the date of approval of this Agreed Order.

CONDITIONS:

1. Agrees to abide by the Rules of Professional Conduct, Texas Veterinary Licensing Act and Laws of the State and United States.
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2. Payment of the administrative penalty within 45 days of the date of approval of this Agreed Order.

signature: Michael H. Reves, DVM
Date: 9-29-96

signature: Ron Allen, Executive Director
Date: 9-23-96

Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
The foregoing Agreed Order, entered into between Dr. Michael Reves, the Board Secretary, and the Board's 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 3rd day of October, 1996, ordered that all penalties and conditions as stated therein be complied with the same as if evidence had been heard and Findings and Orders issued.

Executed this the 3rd day of October, 1996.

John Wood, D.V.M., President

James N. Gomez, D.V.M., Vice-President

RECUSED
Michael J. McCulloch, D.V.M., Secretary

Howard Head, D.V.M., Member

Robert Hughes, Jr., D.V.M., Member

D. Carter King, D.V.M., Member

Sharon O. Matthews, Member

Jean McFadden, Member

Joyce G. Schiff, Member
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TEXAS STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY § TEXAS VETERINARY MEDICAL
MEDICAL EXAMINERS § LICENSE NO. 5129

vs.
§ 1996 RENEWAL CERTIFICATE

MICHAEL H. REVES, DVM § NUMBER 3764

FIRST AMENDED - COMPLAINT AFFIDAVIT

Case No. (95-055)

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for Texas, on this day personally
appeared Mike Carroll, who after being duly sworn, did depose and say:

On or about February 7, 1995, Mike Carroll, being an employee of the Texas State Board of
Veterinary Medical Examiners, did in the course of such employment, make certain investigations
into the professional conduct of one Michael H. Reves, D.V.M., 12888 I-10 East, Houston, Texas
77015, Veterinary License Number 5129, 1996 Renewal Certificate Number 3764, a practitioner
of veterinary medicine in the State of Texas. As an employee of the Texas State Board of
Veterinary Medical Examiners, I, Mike Carroll, do hereby present the following complaint against
Michael H. Reves, D.V.M.

I.

On or about September 16, 1994, Mr. Al Van Orden took his female Doberman, "Snapper", to
Animana Veterinary Hospital to be spayed. The spay was done on the recommendation of Dr.
Michael Reves, owner of the hospital.

II.

On or about September 16, 1994, surgery was performed on Mr. Van Orden's dog "Snapper".
Dr. Reves' records do not document any pre-operative examination to determine the dog's general
health prior to surgery.

III.

On or about September 16, 1994, after being spayed, "Snapper" was released to Mr. Van Orden
while still in a tranquilized condition.

IV.

On or about September 20, 1994, Paul Newman and David Hatley, two employees of Mr. Van
Orden, returned "Snapper" to Dr. Reves because she was having head tremors and both eye lids
were prolapsed.

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V.

On or about September 21, 1994, Mr. Van Orden picked up "Snapper" from Dr. Reves with medications and instructions for her care.

VI.

On or about September 27, 1994, Mr. Van Orden took "Snapper" to Dr. Jerry Williams, since the dog was not eating or drinking and was vomiting.

VII.

Dr. Williams examined the dog, took both blood and urine specimens and determined that it had kidney failure. It was decided to euthanatise the dog.

VIII.

Based on the above paragraphs I through VII, Dr. Reves violated Rule 573.22 - Professional Standard of Humane Treatment by releasing an anaesthetized animal to the owner without an adequate recovery period, and Rule 573.52 - Patient Record Keeping of the Rules of Professional Conduct and Section 14 (a) (5) of the Veterinary Licensing Act, Article 8890, by failing to perform and document a pre-operative examination.

ARTICLE 8890, SECTION 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:

(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 the law;

The foregoing complaint is submitted to the Secretary of the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners on this the 23rd day of September, 1996.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

Mike Carroll, Affiant
Michael H. Reves, DVM
(Case No. 95-055)
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SUBSCRIBED and SWORN TO before me by the said Mike Carroll this the 23 day of SEPTEMBER, 1996.

Charles Adkins, 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. Michael H. Reves, D.V.M. under Docketed Number 1996-16 this the ____ day of ________, 1996.

Michael J. McCulloch, DVM, Board Secretary
Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
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TEXAS VETERINARY MEDICAL LICENSE NO. 5129

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1996 RENEWAL CERTIFICATE

vs.

MICHAEL H. REVES, DVM

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NUMBER 3764

FIRST AMENDED - COMPLAINT AFFIDAVIT

Case No. (95-082)

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for Texas, on this day personally appeared Charles Adkins, who after being duly sworn, did depose and say:

On or about May 10, 1995, Charles Adkins, being an employee of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, did in the course of such employment, make certain investigations into the professional conduct of one Michael H. Reves, D.V.M., 12888 1-10 East, Houston, Texas 77015, Veterinary License Number 5129, 1996 Renewal Certificate Number 3764, a practitioner of veterinary medicine in the State of Texas. As an employee of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, I, Charles Adkins, do hereby present the following complaint against Michael H. Reves, D. V. M.

I.

On or about March 27, 1995, "Sheba" a female cat, was brought to the Animana Veterinary Center, Houston, Texas, to be vaccinated for Rabies, spayed, have toe nails trimmed and a skin examination for severe dermatitis. Dr. Reves is the owner of the Animana Veterinary Clinic. "Sheba" was left at the clinic and the owner, Ms. Sherry Bolding, was to call in the afternoon for a status report.

II.

On or about March 27, 1995, an examination of "Sheba" by Dr. Reves disclosed that there was severe dermatitis around the neck and head. Ms. Bolding called the clinic at approximately 2:00 p.m., and was advised that the surgery had been delayed due to Dr. Reves' busy schedule. Further, she was advised "Sheba" had a mange parasite and tapeworms. Ms. Bolding was advised to call back later in the afternoon for a time of release for "Sheba" and to discuss a treatment plan for her mange and tapeworms. A review of "Sheba's" patient records disclosed no pre-operative examination or current temperature.
III.

On or about March 27, 1995, at approximately 4:30 p.m., Ms. Bolding called the clinic and was advised by the receptionist that "Sheba" could go home. Upon arrival at the clinic, Ms. Bolding was advised that the cat had been spayed, vaccinated, had her toe nails trimmed, had been given a physical examination, and a skin test to identify the mange parasite. A treatment plan for the mange and tapeworms was approved by Ms. Bolding. She declined a blood profile test for systemic disease because of the cost. At approximately 6:00 p.m., "Sheba" was released to Ms. Bolding. She was advised by Dr. Reves that the cat was still asleep from its tranquilized condition and would be sleepy that night, but would be fine in the morning.

IV.

Based on the above paragraphs (II) & (III), Dr. Reves violated Rule 573.22 - Professional Standard of Humane Treatment by releasing an anesthetized animal to the owner without an adequate recovery period. Rule 573.52, Patient Records by failing to perform and document a pre-operative examination, and Section 14 (a)(5) of the Veterinary Licensing Act, article 8890.

ARTICLE 8890, SECTION 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:

(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 the law;

The foregoing complaint is submitted to the Secretary of the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners on this the 23rd day of SEPTEMBER, 1996.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

Charles Adkins, Affiant

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN TO before me by the said Charles Adkins this the 21st day of SEPTEMBER, 1996.

Mike Carroll, Notary Public in and for Texas
Michael H. Reves, DVM
(Case No.: 95-082)
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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. Michael H. Reves, D.V.M. under Docketed Number 1996-16 this the _____ day of ____________ 1996.

Michael J. McCulloch, DVM, Board Secretary
Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
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MICHAEL H. REVES, DVM § 1996 RENEWAL CERTIFICATE

§ NUMBER 3764

COMPLAINT AFFIDAVIT

Case No. (95-093)

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for Texas, on this day personally appeared Charles Adkins, who after being duly sworn, did depose and say:

On or about May 2, 1995, Charles Adkins, being an employee of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, did in the course of such employment, make certain investigations into the professional conduct of one Michael H. Reves, D.V.M., 12888 I-10 East, Houston, Texas 77015, Veterinary License Number 5129, 1996 Renewal Certificate Number 3764, a practitioner of veterinary medicine in the State of Texas. As an employee of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, I, Charles Adkins, do hereby present the following complaint against Michael H. Reves, D. V. M.

I.

On or about April 18, 1995, "Spike", a four month old male Rottweiler, was taken to the Animana Veterinary Center, Houston, Texas, by Ms. Sherry Nunn, to be neutered. Dr. Reves is the owner of the Animana Veterinary Center. Ms. Nunn was advised to call the clinic later in the day for a status report.

II.

On or about April 18, 1995, between 11:30 a.m. and 12:50 p.m., Ms. Nunn called the clinic and was advised that the surgery had not yet taken place, but that everything was fine.

III.

On or about April 18, 1995, at approximately 11:30 a.m., "Spike" was administered Acepromazine s.c. and Atropine s.c. for pre-operative sedation. At approximately 12:00 p.m., Fluothane/oxygen was administered as anesthesia for the surgery. Surgery began at 12:30 p.m., and was completed without incident at 12:45 p.m. At approximately 12:50 p.m., the dog's respiration became exaggerated, irregular, and the mucas membranes developed cyanosis. "Spike" was immediately re-intubated and was given oxygen with forced ventilation. He was also provided external cardiac massage and was administered an intracardial epinephrine injection,
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Dopram-V and Calcium Chloride. Open chest cardiac manipulation also failed to revive the dog and he was pronounced dead by Dr. Reves at approximately 1:30 p.m. Ms Nunn was called immediately and advised of the facts and circumstances leading to the death of "Spike". The body was picked up at the clinic by the Nunns at approximately 7:00 p.m. A review of the patient records of "Spike" disclose no history of pre-operative examination or temperature record.

IV.

On or about April 18, 1995, Dr. Cindy J. Allen, a second opinion, was contacted and it was determined that "Spikes" body should be sent to Texas A & M for a necropsy to determine the cause of death. On or about April 19, 1995, the body was received by Dr. Allen and shortly thereafter it was sent to Texas A & M. A final necropsy report from TVMDL dated April 25, 1995, disclosed a mild eosinophilic enteritis in the two granulomas in the lung which were probably inter-related indicating endoparasitism and migration of larvae nematodes. The pulmonary atelectasis was secondary to thoracotomy. The acute sequestration of mononuclear cells in the lungs were secondary to shock. Underlying cause of cardiopulmonary arrest was not apparent from histologic examination. There were no underlying lesions histologically that would have pre-exposed the animal to anesthetic death.

V.

Dr. Reves violated Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 573.52, Record Keeping, and Section 14 (a)(5) of the Veterinary Licensing Act, Article 8890 by failing to perform and document a pre-operative examination with temperature.

ARTICLE 8890, SECTION 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:

   (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 the law;

The foregoing complaint is submitted to the Secretary of the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners on this the 5th day of August, 1996.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

Charles Adkins, Affiant

7/28/96
SUBSCRIBED and SWORN TO before me by the said Charles Adkins this the 5TH day of AUGUST, 1996.

Mike Carroll, 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. Michael H. Reves, D.V.M. under Docketed Number 1996-16 this the 5TH day of AUGUST, 1996.

Michael J. McCulloch, D.V.M., Board Secretary
Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners