

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY
MEDICAL EXAMINERS

TEXAS VETERINARY MEDICAL
LICENSE NUMBER 865

VS

DOCTOR LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN

TEXAS VETERINARY MEDICAL
RENEWAL CERTIFICATE (1970)
NUMBER 607

FINDINGS AND ORDERS OF THE BOARD

On the 11th day of January, A.D., 1971, the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, being in regular meeting at the Sheraton Crest Inn in Austin, Travis County, Texas, such meeting being called for the purpose of hearing and considering the above numbered and entitled complaint, as well as for the consideration of other business, and the above numbered and entitled complaint having been previously scheduled and the said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN, having waived the issuance and service of citation and having entered an appearance on file herein, and the entire membership of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners being present, to-wit:

DR. R. M. BOTARD, President	of Kingsville, Texas
DR. GERALD W. PARKER, Vice President	of San Antonio, Texas
DR. EARL D. WADDELL, Secretary	of Houston, Texas
DR. KENTON R. FICKES, Member	of Houston, Texas
DR. ROY A. RIDDELS, Member	of Sherman, Texas
DR. GORDON S. YEARGAN, JR., Member	of Gainesville, Texas

whereupon the President of the Board, DR. R. M. BOTARD, ordered the case to proceed at which time it was ascertained that DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN, was not present in person and was not represented by his attorney of record, whereupon the President of the Board entered a general denial on behalf of the said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN; the Board then proceeded to hear all the evidence presented by the State; after such hearing the Board went into executive session to consider the evidence and after consideration and deliberation of all of the evidence that had been presented, the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, on the same day, Monday, January 11, 1971 all of the above members of said Board being present and participating, makes the following findings, to-wit:

FINDINGS

1. The Board finds that all statutory requisites to its jurisdiction have been met.

2. The Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners find that the allegations contained in counts 1, 2 and 3 of said complaint are in all things true and are violations of the Statutes and Rules of Conduct.

3. The Board further finds that on the 12th day of January, 1960 in Cause No. 1959-3 the license of the said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN was suspended by the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners for a period of three years.

THE TEXAS STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS finds that the facts brought out at such hearing justify and require the following orders:

ORDERS

It is hereby ORDERED that Texas Veterinary Medical License No. 865 and 1970 License Renewal Certificate No. 607 heretofore issued to DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN, by the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners be and the same is HEREBY REVOKED on this the 11th day of January, 1971, and the said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN shall not hereafter practice veterinary medicine in the State of Texas.

It is further ORDERED that said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN shall forthwith return the aforesaid license to practice veterinary medicine and the 1970 renewal certificate to the offices of said Board at 207 Capital National Bank Building, Austin, Texas, 78701 by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested.

The above findings and orders of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners are entered as the order of the Board by a unanimous vote of the members of the Board all of whom were present and participating in such hearing, deliberation and decision, and such findings and orders are hereby made on this the 11th day of January, 1971, at Austin, Travis County, Texas.

The Executive Secretary of the Board is ORDERED to prepare the Board's findings and orders in appropriate form and submit the same to the members of the Board for signature and to transmit a copy to the said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN at his address to-wit:

DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN
Box 3431
McAllen, Texas 78501

Entered this the 11th day of January, 1971 at Austin, Travis County, Texas,
at a meeting of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

Dr. R. M. Botard
DR. R. M. BOTARD, President

Dr. Kenton R. Fickes
DR. KENTON R. FICKES, Member

Dr. Gerald W. Parker
DR. GERALD W. PARKER, Vice President

Roy A. Riddels
DR. ROY A. RIDDELS, Member

Earl D. Waddell, Jr.
DR. EARL D. WADDELL, Secretary

Gordon S. Yeargan, Jr.
DR. GORDON S. YEARGAN, JR., Member

THE STATE OF TEXAS X

COUNTY OF TRAVIS X

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for Travis County, Texas, on this day personally appeared BUDDY L. TODD, who after being by me duly sworn upon oath deposes and says that:

The said BUDDY L. TODD, being an employee of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, did in the course of his employment make certain investigations into the professional conduct of one DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN, Texas Veterinary Medical License No. 865, 1970-1971 Renewal Certificate No. 607, a practitioner of veterinary medicine in the State of Texas, and in the course of said investigation it has come to the attention of the said BUDDY L. TODD that on or about the dates hereinafter specified that the said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN, did commit one or more of the following acts, and/or omissions, or a combination thereof or all of same said acts and/or omissions being in violation of Article 7465a of the Civil Statutes of Texas (V. A. T. S.) and within the contemplation of Section 14 and 15 of said statute, as follows, to-wit:

1. That on or about July 7, 1970 the said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN did sign in the blank a form No. 35259 which is designated as "Official Health Certificate" by the Texas Animal Health Commission, a duly constituted and acting agency of the State of Texas. Said form No. 35259 was designated by the Texas Animal Health Commission for use by accredited practitioners of veterinary medicine in the State of Texas under the rules promulgated by the Texas Animal Health Commission. Said "Official Health Certificate" No. 35259 signed in the blank as aforesaid was left at the offices of the Terry Cattle Company in Harlingen, Texas for use by said company.
2. That on or about July 7, 1970 the said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN did falsely certify that he had inspected the animals described in form No. 35259, an "Official Health Certificate" of the State of Texas.
3. That on or about July 7, 1970 the said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN issued form No. 35259 designated as "Official Health Certificate" by the

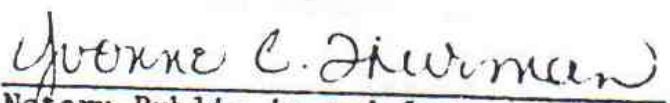
Texas Animal Health Commission. Said DR. LAWRENCE LETH ESPENSEN did not furnish the required copies of said "Official Health Certificate" to the Texas Animal Health Commission.

The above complaint, containing three (3) counts, is submitted to the Executive Secretary of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners this the 21st day of December, A.D., 1970.


BUDDY L. TODD

THE STATE OF TEXAS X
COUNTY OF TRAVIS X

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME BY BUDDY L. TODD, this the 21st day of December, A.D., 1970, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.


Notary Public in and for
Travis County, Texas