

IN THE MATTER OF § TEXAS BOARD OF
THE LICENSE OF § VETERINARY
ALI ROHANI, D.V.M. § MEDICAL EXAMINERS

AGREED ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (“Board”) considered the matter of the license of Ali Rohani, D.V.M. (“Respondent”).

Respondent, without admitting the truth of the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set out in this Order, waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order. Accordingly, the Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and enters this Order as set forth below.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent, Ali Rohani, D.V.M., of Allen, Texas, holds Texas veterinary license 9257.
2. On February 8, 2018, Complainant presented his one-year-old, male Yorkshire Terrier, Odin, to the Respondent at 121 Animal Hospital, Frisco, Texas (“the facility”), to have his baby teeth extracted. A full examination was not performed at this time, but Respondent noted that prior to the procedure Odin was found to be in good health with no abnormalities. Odin was given a pre-anesthesia exam with bloodwork which showed no contraindication to anesthesia. An intravenous (IV) catheter was placed prior to anesthesia, an endotracheal tube was placed, and Odin was maintained on Isoflurane gas. IV fluids were given during the procedure.

2. A heating device was used to maintain body temperature during anesthesia. The medical notes from this period do not indicate how Odin was placed in the heating device. Odin’s vitals were monitored throughout, and Respondent performed the dental cleaning and extractions. A veterinary technician stated that following the procedure, there was some redness on Odin’s scrotum. Respondent stated that he examined the area, noted no crusting or blistering, and determined that it was not a significant complication. The medical notes from this period do not indicate any injury or complications due to the procedure. The complainant picked Odin up later the same day.
3. After returning home that night, Odin cried and did not sleep well. The next day, the Complainant observed that Odin’s testicles were red and appeared to have a burn mark the size of a quarter, which was painful to the touch.
4. On February 10, 2018, the complainant returned Odin to the facility where he was re-examined by an associate veterinarian, Melissa Suarez, D.V.M. Mr. Johansson pointed out the burn mark to Dr. Suarez. Dr. Suarez identified a thermal injury and prescribed a topic anti-

inflammatory spray with an e-collar to prevent licking of the affected site. No swelling or fluid accumulation was observed. Later that day, the complainant presented Odin to Steven Flowers, D.V.M. at Family Pet Center, Frisco, Texas, for a second opinion. Dr. Flowers noted a small lesion on the scrotum but could not determine a cause.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 801, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter. Respondent is required to comply with the provisions of the Veterinary Licensing Act, Chapter 801, Texas Occupations Code, and with the Board's Rules. Respondent received notice as required by law.
2. Respondent has violated Board Rule 573.22, Professional Standard of Care, of the Board's Rules of Professional Conduct.
3. Respondent has violated Section 801.402(6) of the Veterinary Licensing Act, Texas Occupations Code, prohibiting conduct that violates the Board's Rules of Professional Conduct.
4. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Texas Occupations Code, Sections 801.401(a), and 801.451.
5. Pursuant to Board Rule 575.25, Respondent's violations are Class C violations, and Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under that Rule.

TERMS OF ORDER

Now, therefore, the Board and Respondent agree to the following terms:

1. REPRIMAND
 - a. Respondent is hereby informally reprimanded by the Board. This informal reprimand will not be published in the Board's newsletter and will not be routinely reported to the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB) for inclusion in the national reporting database. A copy of this informal reprimand will be forwarded to the AAVSB if specifically requested by that organization.
2. ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY
 - a. Respondent shall pay an administrative penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) within 30 days of the date the Board approves this Order. Payment shall be made directly to the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners at 333 Guadalupe Street, Suite 3-810, Austin, Texas 78701. Partial payments will not be accepted.
 - b. If Respondent does not timely pay the administrative penalty, the Board may deny a request to renew Respondent's license until the outstanding administrative penalty is received, pursuant to Board Rule 573.62(b). Any monetary funds paid to

the Board to renew a license shall first be applied to any outstanding unpaid administrative penalties, pursuant to Board Rule 571.57. Additionally, the matter may be referred to the Attorney General for collection, pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Section 801.458.

3. ADHERENCE TO THE LAW AND BOARD RULES

- a. Respondent shall abide by the Board's Rules of Professional Conduct, the Texas Veterinary Licensing Act, and the laws of the State of Texas and the United States.
- b. Respondent shall cooperate with the Board's attorneys, investigators, compliance officers and other employees and agents investigating Respondent's compliance with this Order.
- c. Failure by Respondent to comply with the terms of this Order, or with any other provisions of the Veterinary Licensing Act or the Board Rules, may result in further disciplinary action.

The effective date of the terms of this Order shall be the date it is adopted by the Board, unless stated otherwise.

Certification and signature page follows.

RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order and understand the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of law set forth herein. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) herein. I understand that this Order contains the entire agreement, and there is no other agreement of any kind. I waive the right to any further proceedings, including a formal hearing, and the right to seek judicial review of this Order.

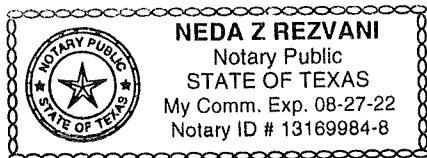
I understand that this Order is subject to approval by the Board. I understand that the terms and conditions of this Order become effective upon approval by the Board. A copy of the approved Order will be mailed to me. By signing this Order, I agree to satisfactorily comply with the terms and conditions of the Order in a timely manner. I understand that if I fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, I will be subject to investigation and appropriate disciplinary action as a result of my noncompliance.

Signed this 15 day of Jan, 2020.

Ali Rohani
Ali Rohani, D.V.M.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 15 day of January, 2020.

SEAL:



[Signature]
Notary Public

THEREFORE, the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners does hereby adopt this Order. This Order is effective and final on this 23rd day of September, 2020.

Jessica Quillivan, DVM
Jessica Quillivan, D.V.M., Presiding Board Member