

IN THE MATTER OF
SHANNON LIEW, PT
APPLICANT FOR LICENSURE

* BEFORE THE MARYLAND
* BOARD OF PHYSICAL
* THERAPY EXAMINERS

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CONSENT ORDER OF DENIAL

Background

On February 11, 2008, the Maryland Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (the "Board") received a complaint from a home health company alleging that Shannon Liew, P.T. had falsely billed for physical therapy services for a patient in Elkton, Maryland. Upon investigation, the Board determined that Ms. Liew did not hold a current license to practice physical therapy in Maryland. Subsequently, on February 13, 2008, Ms. Liew submitted a reinstatement application to the Board.

In lieu of instituting formal proceedings against Ms. Liew's application, in accordance with the Maryland Physical Therapy Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 13-101 *et seq.*, the Board held a Pre-Charge Case Resolution Conference with Ms. Liew on May 8, 2008. As a result, the Board and Ms. Liew have agreed to resolve this matter as set forth in this Consent Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Ms. Liew's license to practice physical therapy in Maryland expired on May 31, 2000.
2. At all times relevant hereto, Ms. Liew maintained a current physical therapist license in Delaware.
3. At all times relevant hereto, Ms. Liew was employed at a home healthcare services company located in Delaware.

4. While working for the home healthcare services company, Ms. Liew provided physical therapy services to Patient A in Elkton, Maryland, from approximately March 2007 to January 2008, without a Maryland license.

5. Ms. Liew provided home health physical therapy services to Patient B, also in Elkton, Maryland, in 2006, without a Maryland license.

6. From approximately March 2007 to January 2008, Ms. Liew submitted bills for approximately 68 physical therapy visits to Patient A. As a result of an audit performed by Ms. Liew's employer, 35 of those bills were found to be false.

7. Ms. Liew has voluntarily cured any overpayment and/or benefit that she may have received as a result of any of the above-mentioned billings.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that Ms. Liew is in violation of the Maryland Physical Therapy Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §§ 13-316(12), (14), (15) and (19) and §§ 13-401(a) and 402.

ORDER

Based on an affirmative vote of a quorum of the Board, it is this 13th day of June^{S.L.}, 2008, hereby:

ORDERED that Ms. Liew's application for reinstatement be DENIED; and be it further,

ORDERED that Ms. Liew may petition for reinstatement no earlier than TWO (2) years after the date of this Order; and be it further,

ORDERED that in the event that Ms. Liew petitions for reinstatement, she shall demonstrate professional competency to the Board's satisfaction; and be it further,

ORDERED that upon any reinstatement by the Board, Ms. Liew's license shall be placed on immediate probation with terms and conditions the Board deems appropriate; and be it further,

ORDERED that this is a formal order of the Maryland Board of Physical Therapy Examiners and as such is a public document pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code, State Government Article, Section 10-617(h).

June 25, 2008
Date

Margery F. Rodgers PT
Margery Rodgers, P.T.
Chair, Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

CONSENT

1. By signing this Consent, I submit to the foregoing Consent Order as a resolution of this matter in lieu of formal charges, which process would have afforded me the right to a full evidentiary hearing.
2. By signing this Consent, I waive any rights I may have had to contest the findings and determination contained in this Consent Order.
3. I acknowledge the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to enter and enforce this Consent Order.
4. Nothing in this Consent Order of Denial, including the Background, the Board's Findings of Fact and the Board's Conclusions of Law, shall be construed as an admission on the part of Ms. Liew in any way, shape or form in any other proceeding, litigation or arbitration in which the Board is not a named party.

5. Notwithstanding the Board's and Ms. Liew's agreement to resolve this matter as set forth herein, Ms. Liew maintains her right to deny and/or dispute any and all of the Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law set forth in this Consent Order of Denial in any other proceeding, litigation or arbitration against her in which the Board is not a named-party.

6. I sign this Consent Order freely and voluntarily, after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. I fully understand the language, meaning, and effect of this Consent Order.

6/13/08
Date

Shannon Liew, P.T.
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STATE OF MARYLAND

COUNTY/CITY OF Chesil.

I hereby certify that on this 13th day of JUNE, 2008, before me, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland and County/City aforesaid, personally appeared SHANNON LIEW and made an oath in due form that the foregoing Consent was her voluntary act and deed.

Raymond J. Ellis
Notary Public



My commission expires: MARCH 06, 2011