



**Pennsylvania
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

**STATE HEALTH LICENSING BOARDS
DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS
February 2007**

Secretary of the Commonwealth Pedro A. Cortés and Basil L. Merenda, Acting Deputy Secretary for Regulatory Programs and Commissioner of the Department's of Professional and Occupational Affairs, announced 17 disciplinary actions taken by the following State Health Licensing Boards: Chiropractic; Dentistry; Medicine; Nursing Home Administrators; Occupational Therapy; Optometry; Osteopathic Medicine; Pharmacy; Physical Therapy; Podiatry; Psychology; Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors; Examiners in Speech-Language and Hearing; and Veterinary Medicine.

Actions were taken against individuals or firms in the following counties: Berks (1 action); Cumberland (1 action); Delaware (1 action); Lancaster (1 action); Luzerne (1 action); Montgomery (1 action); Philadelphia (1 action); Venango (1 action); and Westmoreland (1 action). Eight actions involved Pennsylvania licenses with out-of-state addresses.

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC

Venango County

Harlan M. Goldman, license no. DC8636 of Cranberry Township, Venango County, was assessed a \$900 civil penalty because he failed to submit proof of completion of at least 24 credit hours of continuing education in acceptable courses taken between Sept. 2, 2002 and Sept. 1, 2004. (01-25-07)

BOARD OF DENTISTRY

Philadelphia County

Helen B. Sroka, license no. DH012939L of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, was assessed a \$600 civil penalty and a reprimand was placed on her board record. Sroka failed to complete and submit proof of completion of at least 20 credit hours of continuing education in approved courses, of which no more than 50 percent were obtained through individual study. (01-12-07)

Westmoreland County

Daniel F. Whirlow, license no. DS024999L of Greensburg, Westmoreland County, had his license suspended for one year. Whirlow was found guilty of a felony in violation of federal law. (01-12-07)

Out of State

Susan Almusa, Milwaukee, WI, was denied a license by criteria approval because she failed to demonstrate that she has met equivalent licensure standards with regard to demonstrating proficiency in amalgam restorations on a comparable regionally administered clinical examination. (01-11-07)

Raed J. Alsaadi, Irving, TX, was denied a license by criteria approval because he failed to demonstrate that he has met equivalent licensure standards by passing a comparable regionally administered clinical examination which tests for proficiency in restorative dentistry and prosthodontics. (01-11-07)

Deborah J. Matthews, Lafayette, LA, was denied a license by criteria approval because she failed to demonstrate that she has met equivalent licensure requirements by passing the periodontic component of the NERB/ADLEX exam (or a comparable regional administered clinical examination which tests for proficiency in periodonics). (01-11-07)

John V. Nungesser, license no. DS015932L of Brunswick, ME, agreed to the voluntary and permanent surrender of his license. Nungesser received disciplinary action against his dental license by the proper licensing authority of another state. (01-12-07)

Vivian J. Snowden, license no. DS025074L, of Minneapolis, MN, was revoked because her license was disciplined by the proper licensing authority of the state of Minnesota. (01-17-07)

BOARD OF MEDICINE

Cumberland County

Vincent W. Amigh, license no. RT002318A, of Shippensburg, Cumberland County, was assessed a \$500 civil penalty. Amigh practiced as an athletic trainer from Dec. 31, 2002 to March 1, 2005 while his license was expired. (01-23-07)

BOARD OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

No disciplinary actions taken.

BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

No disciplinary actions taken.

BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

No disciplinary actions taken.

BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

Out of State

Mark Koch, license no. OS006239L, of Houston, AL, was indefinitely suspended for no less than three years, immediately stayed in favor of no less than three years of probation, subject to terms and conditions. Koch failed to comply with terms and conditions of a Disciplinary Monitoring Unit Adjudication and Order, failed to abstain from use of cocaine and alcohol as evidenced by positive drug testing, and failure to verify compliance with workplace monitoring requirements of a Professional Health Monitoring Program consent agreement. (01-10-07)

BOARD OF PHARMACY

Berks County

John M. Moran, license no. RP039879L, of Wyoming, Berks County, permanently and voluntarily surrendered his license to practice pharmacy. Moran pled guilty to a felony under the Drug Act. (01-16-07)

Lancaster County

Stephen James Powell, license no. RP031905L of Reinholds, Lancaster County, was actively suspended for four months, retroactive to Sept. 21, 2004, through Jan. 25, 2005, and Powell's license was also indefinitely suspended, immediately stayed in favor of no less than three years of probation, subject to terms and condition set forth in the Consent Agreement. Powell is unable to practice the profession because of intemperance in the use of alcoholic beverages, controlled substances or any other substance which impairs the intellect and judgment to such an extent as to impair the performance of professional duties and was found guilty of a misdemeanor. (01-16-07)

Montgomery County

John D. Wylie of Haverford, Montgomery/Delaware County, was assessed a \$1,000 civil penalty because Wylie used the title "pharmacist" without being licensed. (01-16-07)

Out of State

Samson J. Bakal, license no. RP437554 of Waterville, ME, agreed to the permanent voluntary surrender of his license. Bakal further surrendered any and all property rights in renewing and/or reactivating his pharmacist license. Bakal had a license to practice pharmacy disciplined by the proper licensing authority of another state. (01-16-07)

Loretha R. Ingram-White, license no. RP034724L of Deptford, NJ, had a public reprimand placed on her permanent board record, because Ingram-White has had her license to practice pharmacy suspended, revoked or refused, or received other disciplinary action by the proper licensing authority of another state, territory or country. (01-16-07)

BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

No disciplinary actions taken.

BOARD OF PODIATRY**Luzerne County**

Peter M. Kaminski, license no. SC002744L, of Plymouth, Luzerne County, was assessed a \$500 civil penalty for failing to timely complete his continuing education requirement for the 2003-2004 license period. (01/19/07)

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

No disciplinary actions taken.

**BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS**

No disciplinary actions taken.

BOARD OF SPEECH, LANGUAGE AND HEARING

No disciplinary actions taken.

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Delaware County

Kristen L. Miller, license no. BV010188 of Media, Delaware County, was assessed a \$500 civil penalty and a public reprimand was placed on Miller's permanent board record. Miller engaged in the practice as a veterinarian without a valid license. (01-11-07)

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A complete list of sanctions is available online at

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