# STATE OF MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF:

TRACEY L. MOCK, D.V.M. LICENSE NO. 4720

**DOCKET NO. 05-056** 

#### **CONSENT AGREEMENT**

This Consent Agreement, dated this against Dr. Mock, D.V.M. ("Dr. Mock"), License Number 4720. The Agreement concerns the charges that the Board filed against Dr. Mock, alleging that she practiced veterinary medicine in this State during a time period in which she was not registered as a licensed veterinarian in this State, a violation of Agriculture Article, §2-313, Annotated Code of Maryland.

Under State law, the Board is the licensing authority responsible for regulating the practice of veterinary medicine in this State, which includes filing disciplinary actions against veterinarians charged with violating the provisions of the Veterinary Practice Act and regulations adopted thereunder. The Board "may refuse, suspend, or revoke any application or license, and censure or place on probation any licensee ... if the veterinarian ... [f]ails to comply with [the Veterinary Practice Act and] Board rules and regulations after receiving a license" (Md. Code Ann., Agric. Art., §2-310(8)); and in lieu of, or in addition to, suspending a veterinarian's license, the Board may impose a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000 (Md. Code Ann., Agric. Art., §2-310.1).

# **FINDINGS OF FACTS**

Dr. Mock, by entering into and signing this document, acknowledges that the Board could produce evidence establishing the following Findings of Fact:

1. On or about July 1, 2005 through September 7, 2005 of fiscal year 2006 (July 1,

2005 through June 30, 2006), Dr. Mock practiced veterinary medicine with the Everhart Veterinary Medical Group, located at 3914 South Hanover Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21225. During this time period, however, Dr. Mock was not registered to practice as a licensed veterinarian in this State.

- 2. On June 30, 2005, Dr. Mock's registration for the 2004-05 licensing year expired. She failed to take steps on or before that date to renew it.
- 3. On or about October 4, 2005, Ms. Robin Roscher, an Inspector with the Board, conducted an inspection of the Everhart Veterinary Medical Group and observed that Dr. Mock was working as a veterinarian at that facility, but had not posted her registration. After checking the Board's current roster of licensed and registered veterinarians, Ms. Roscher discovered that Dr. Mock had not renewed her registration for the 2005-06 licensing year (July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006) until September 8, 2005.

# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based upon these Findings of Fact, the Board makes the following Conclusion of Law: On or about July 1, 2005 through September 7, 2005, Dr. Mock practiced veterinary medicine with the Everhart Veterinary Medical Group, located at 3914 South Hanover Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21225, but, during this time period, was not registered as a licensed veterinarian in this State, a violation of Agriculture Article, §2-313, Annotated Code of Maryland.

# <u>ORDER</u>

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, finding that Dr. Mock violated the Veterinary Practice Act, it is this 29 day of Avest, 2006, by the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, **ORDERED**:

That Dr. Mock is assessed a Civil Penalty in the amount of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) and that she pay this penalty to the Board within thirty (30) days from the date of this Consent Agreement.

8/24/02e Date

Chris H. Runde, D.V.M.

President

State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

#### CONSENT

I, Tracey L. Mock, D.V.M., acknowledge that I had an opportunity to consult with counsel before entering into and signing this document. By this Consent, I hereby acknowledge that the Board, by a preponderance of the evidence, could prove the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein. Accordingly, in order to resolve these matters, I agree to accept and submit to the foregoing Consent Agreement, consisting of 4 pages (that ends with this signed Consent statement).

I acknowledge the validity of this Consent Agreement as if entered after the conclusion of a formal evidentiary hearing in which I would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my own behalf, and to all other substantive and procedural protections provided by the laws of the State of Maryland. I also affirm that I am waiving my right to appeal from this Consent Agreement.

I acknowledge the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to initiate these proceedings and to issue and enforce this Consent Agreement.

I sign this Consent Agreement without reservation as my voluntary act and deed after having an opportunity to consult with counsel, and I acknowledge that I fully understand and comprehend the language, meaning, and terms of this Consent Agreement.

2/24/06 Date

Tracey L. Mock, D.V.M.
Respondent

#### **NOTARY**

STATE OF Maryland

CITY/COUNTY OF Montgomery

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this Aug., 2006, before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, personally appeared Tracey L. Mock, D.V.M., and made oath in due form of law that the foregoing Consent Agreement was her voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and notarial seal.

NOTARIAL SEA Notary Public

My Commission expires:

Jeong Soo Kim, Notary Public Montgomery County, Bethesda, Marylanc My Commission Expires Jan. 8, 2008