

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

In The Matter Of:

KATHRYN E. PHILPOTT-HILL, D.D.S.)
(License No. 6783)) CONSENT ORDER

THIS MATTER is before the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners (Board) as authorized by G.S. 90-41.1(b) for consideration of a Consent Order in lieu of a formal administrative hearing. The Respondent, through her Guardian Ad Litem, consents to the entry of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order of Discipline solely for the purpose of this proceeding and any other proceedings involving the Dental Board or other dental licensing bodies.

Based upon the consent of the parties, the Board enters the following

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners is a body duly organized under the laws of North Carolina and is the proper party to bring this action under the authority granted to the Board in Chapter 90 of the North Carolina General Statutes (Dental Practice Act) and the Board's Rules and Regulations.

2. Kathryn E. Philpott-Hill (Respondent), was licensed to practice dentistry in North Carolina on October 20, 1997 and holds license number 6783. Prior to July 15, 2008 she was licensed to practice dentistry in North

Carolina and was subject to the Dental Practice Act and the Board's Rules and Regulations at all times relevant hereto.

3. Respondent and her Guardian Ad Litem received proper notice of the allegations upon which this Consent Order is based, were provided an opportunity to respond and agreed to resolve this matter via Consent Order. Respondent was represented by counsel in this matter.

4. Respondent's Guardian Ad Litem was properly appointed to represent the Respondent's interests herein and is authorized and competent to enter into this Order.

5. Before July 15, 2008, Respondent was engaged in the practice of general dentistry in Sylva and Asheville, North Carolina.

6. Respondent has suffered from a health condition since early adulthood.

7. In May 2008, Respondent was briefly hospitalized for said health condition.

8. Respondent returned to work after her May 2008 hospitalization but, in early July 2008, ceased the practice of dentistry and was again hospitalized for treatment of her health condition.

9. At the time that Respondent ceased practicing dentistry, she had a number of patients who were in mid-treatment. Respondent had no partners or associates capable of taking over her practice.

10. On July 15, 2008, the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners entered an order summarily suspending Respondent's dental license pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. 90-41(a)(7) on the grounds that she was mentally, emotionally, or physically unfit to practice dentistry.

11. The Respondent's North Carolina dental license has never been restored.

12. Following Respondent's hospitalization in July 2008, the Buncombe County Superior Court appointed a trustee conservator to wind down Respondent's dental practice and ensure that her patients had access to their dental records.

15. Respondent remained hospitalized as a result of her health condition until November 2010.

16. Respondent is not mentally, physically or emotionally capable of resuming the practice of dentistry.

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and with the consent of the parties hereto, the Board enters the following

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this proceeding and over the Respondent's person.

2. Respondent is mentally, emotionally or physically incapable of practicing dentistry and therefore in violation of N.C. Gen. Stat. 90-41(a)(7).

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and with the consent of the parties, the Board enters the following:

ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

License number 6783 issued to Respondent for the practice of dentistry in North Carolina is hereby permanently revoked. Respondent may not seek reinstatement of her North Carolina dental license.

This the 18 day of August, 2011.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

BY: Terry W. Friddle
Terry W. Friddle
Deputy Operations Officer

STATEMENT OF CONSENT

I, KATHRYN E. PHILPOTT-HILL, D.D.S., by and through Carol King, my Guardian Ad Litem, do hereby certify that I have read the foregoing Consent Order in its entirety and that I do freely and voluntarily admit, exclusively for the purposes of this disciplinary proceeding and any other disciplinary or licensure proceedings before this Board, that there is a factual basis for the findings set forth therein, that these findings are legally sufficient to support findings and conclusions that I have violated G.S. § 90-41(a)(12). I hereby express my understanding that the Board will report the contents of this Consent Order to the National Practitioner Data Bank and that this Consent Order shall become a part of the permanent public record of the Board. **I understand that by signing this Consent Order I am forever surrendering my license to practice dentistry in North Carolina.**

This the 9th day of August, 2011.



Carol King, Guardian Ad Litem for
KATHRYN E. PHILPOTT-HILL, D.D.S.