

**BEFORE THE MINNESOTA  
BOARD OF OPTOMETRY**

In the Matter of  
Steven C. Blashill, O.D.  
License No. 2073

**ORDER FOR  
TEMPORARY SUSPENSION**

The Minnesota Board of Optometry (“Board”) is authorized pursuant to Minnesota Statutes sections 148.52 to 148.62, 214.10, and 214.103 (2014) to license, regulate, and discipline persons who apply for, petition, or hold licenses to practice optometry in the State of Minnesota and to take disciplinary action where appropriate. The Board is further authorized pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 214.077 to temporarily suspend a optometrist’s license if the Board has probable cause to believe continued practice by the optometrist presents an imminent risk of harm to the public.

1. The Discipline Committee received credible information that Steven C. Blashill, O.D. (“Respondent”), has violated one or more statutes or rules that the Board has authority to enforce.
2. The Discipline Committee has probable cause to believe that Respondent’s continued practice presents an imminent risk of harm.
3. Based on the aforementioned facts, the Board finds that a temporary suspension of Respondent’s license is warranted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 214.077.

Accordingly, the Board issues the following:

**ORDER**

1. Respondent's license to practice optometry in the State of Minnesota is **TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED** pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 214.077. During the period of suspension, Respondent shall not in any manner practice as an optometrist in the State of Minnesota.

2. The temporary suspension of Respondent's license shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until the Board issues a final order in this matter.

3. A contested case hearing will be scheduled with the Office of Administrative Hearings in this matter, pursuant to the Minnesota Administrative Procedure Act, Minnesota Statutes chapter 14. Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, the Discipline Committee shall provide Respondent with at least ten days' notice of the hearing, and the hearing shall be scheduled to begin no later than 30 days after this Order is issued.

Dated: December 10, 2014

MINNESOTA BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

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Executive Director