

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA

BOARD OF DENTISTRY

In the Matter of
Ronald L. Ruggiero, D.D.S.
License No. D10167

**ORDER FOR
UNCONDITIONAL LICENSE**

The Minnesota Board of Dentistry ("Board") met to review the petition of Ronald L. Ruggiero, D.D.S. ("Licensee") for reinstatement of an unconditional license to practice dentistry in Minnesota.

BACKGROUND

1. Licensee and the Board's Complaint Committee ("Committee") entered into a Stipulation and Order which was approved by the Board on June 17, 2005, ("2005 Stipulation and Order") that placed conditions on Licensee's dental license. The 2005 Stipulation and Order was based on evidence that Licensee failed to comply with infection control standards and the requirements of his 2004 Agreement for Corrective Action.

2. Pursuant to paragraph D. of the 2005 Stipulation and Order, Licensee's license was placed in a conditional status.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Board makes the following findings of fact:

3. Pursuant to paragraph D. of the 2005 Stipulation and Order, Licensee was required to do the following:

a. Paragraphs D.1.a. and D.2.a. required Licensee to successfully complete a minimum of six hours of instruction in infection control and submit a written report on the course to the Committee. Licensee successfully completed the infection control course and

submitted a written report in a timely fashion which was reviewed and accepted by the Committee.

b. Paragraph D.2.b. required Licensee to submit a signed verification from new staff members verifying that staff has fully read and reviewed the Exposure Control Plan and Bloodborne Pathogen Guidelines Manual. Licensee submitted a signed verification that included all his employees to the Committee.

c. Paragraph D.2.c. required Licensee to submit proof of having monthly staff meetings in his office, including meeting agenda, minutes, follow-up action, and signatures of Licensee and his staff who are present at the meetings. Licensee submitted proof of having staff meetings which was reviewed and accepted by the Committee.

d. Paragraph D.2.d. required Licensee to submit copies of his biological (spore) testing records for each autoclave from the previous six months. Licensee submitted the requested testing records for both practice locations to the Committee.

e. Paragraph D.3. required Licensee to submit to at least one unannounced inspection at each of his dental offices to be conducted by the Board's representative for the purpose of inspecting infection control requirements. The Board's representative conducted unannounced infection control inspections in September 2005 and January 2006. The Committee reviewed and accepted the results of the second inspection.

f. Paragraph D.4. required Licensee to pay the Board the sum of \$1,000 as partial reimbursement for the Board's costs in this matter. Licensee paid the money in a timely manner.

g. Paragraph D.5. required Licensee to comply with all laws and rules of the Board of Dentistry, cooperate with the Board's requests, and comply with the most current

infection control requirements. The Committee has not received any indication that Licensee has violated this portion of the 2005 Stipulation and Order.

Based on the foregoing, the Board concludes that Licensee has complied with his 2005 Stipulation and Order issued by the Board on June 17, 2005 and hereby issues the following:

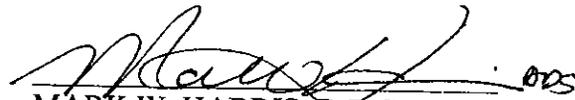
ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that an UNCONDITIONAL LICENSE to practice dentistry in the State of Minnesota be conferred upon Licensee, such license to carry all duties, benefits, responsibilities, and privileges inherent therein through Minnesota statute and rule.

Dated: March 31, 2006

MINNESOTA BOARD
OF DENTISTRY

By:


MARK W. HARRIS, D.D.S.
President