

# STATE OF MINNESOTA

### HEALTH LICENSING BOARDS DIVISION

December 27, 2017

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Amber Hutlman 20005 Beroun Crossing Road Hinckley, MN 55037

Re: In the Matter of Amber Hutlman, Unlicensed

Dear Ms. Hutlman:

On behalf of the Minnesota Board of Veterinary Medicine, enclosed herewith and served upon you by U.S. mail, find a Cease and Desist Order and Notice of Right to Hearing.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

JENNIFER C. MIDDLETON Assistant Attorney General

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Attorney for the Board of Veterinary Medicine Complaint Review Committee

**Enclosure** 

cc:

Complaint Review Committee



## AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

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STATE OF MINNESOTA ) ss. COUNTY OF RAMSEY )

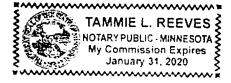
SUZANNE ROBBINS, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That at the City of St. Paul, County of Ramsey and State of Minnesota, on December 27, 2017, she caused to be served the CEASE AND DESIST ORDER AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO HEARING, by depositing the same in the United States mail at said city and state, true and correct copy(ies) thereof, properly enveloped with prepaid first class postage, and addressed to:

Amber Hutlman 20005 Beroun Crossing Road Hinckley, MN 55037

SUZANNE ROBBINS

Subscribed and sworn to before me on December 27, 2017.



# STATE OF MINNESOTA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

In the Matter of Amber Hutlman, Unlicensed

CEASE AND DESIST ORDER AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO HEARING

TO: Amber Hutlman, Unlicensed ("Respondent"), 20005 Beroun Crossing Road, Hinckley, MN 55037.

Minnesota law prohibits any person from practicing veterinary medicine without having first secured a veterinary license or temporary permit, as provided in Minnesota Statutes chapter 156, unless the person is exempt from such licensing requirements, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 156.12, subdivision 2.

The practice of veterinary medicine is defined in Minnesota Statutes section 156.12, subdivision 1, as follows:

The practice of veterinary medicine, as used in this chapter, shall mean the diagnosis, treatment, correction, relief, or prevention of animal disease, deformity, defect, injury, or other physical or mental conditions; the performance of obstetrical procedures for animals, including determination of pregnancy and correction of sterility or infertility; and the rendering of advice or recommendations with regard to any of the above. The practice of veterinary medicine shall include but not be limited to the prescription or administration of any drug, medicine, biologic, apparatus, application, anesthetic, or other therapeutic or diagnostic substance or technique.

Pursuant to the above-referenced statutes, the Minnesota Board of Veterinary Medicine ("Board"), by its Complaint Review Committee ("Committee"), has determined as follows:

- 1. Respondent is not now and has never been licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Minnesota and is not exempt from the licensure requirements set forth in Minnesota Statutes chapter 156.
- 2. The Board received a complaint alleging Respondent was engaged in the unlawful practice of veterinary medicine.

- 3. Upon receipt of the complaint, the Board initiated an investigation into Respondent's unlicensed practice of veterinary medicine.
- 4. Based on its investigation, the Committee determined that Respondent engaged in the practice of veterinary medicine and/or threatened to engage in the practice of veterinary medicine as follows:
- a. Respondent utilized power tools in providing teeth floating services to equines in Minnesota.
- b. While providing teeth floating services, Respondent sedated equines by drawing sedation medication and administering it intravenously.
- c. During the times that she provided teeth floating services, Respondent was not employed by a veterinarian.
- d. To date, Respondent has never submitted the following materials to the Board in order to apply to provide equine teeth floating services in the State of Minnesota:
- 1) Proof of current certification from the International Association of Equine Dentistry or other professional equine dentistry association as determined by the board, and
- 2) A written statement signed by a supervising veterinarian experienced in large animal medicine that the applicant will be under direct or indirect supervision of the veterinarian when floating equine teeth.
- e. Respondent represented herself as a veterinarian licensed in Minnesota when questioned about her credentials by another veterinarian.
- 5. Respondent, by the conduct referenced in paragraph 4 above, has engaged in and threatens to continue to engage in the practice of veterinary medicine in Minnesota without a

license, in violation of Minnesota Statutes section 156.10, and should therefore be ordered to cease and desist from violating this statute.

#### ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 156.15, that Respondent shall cease and desist from engaging in any act or practice in Minnesota that constitutes the practice of veterinary medicine as defined in Minnesota Statutes section 156.12, subdivision 1.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 156.15, subdivisions 1 and 3, that Respondent may request a hearing in this matter. Such request shall be made in writing and delivered to the Complaint Review Committee of the Minnesota Board of Veterinary Medicine, 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Suite 401, Minneapolis, MN 55414, whereupon the Committee shall set a date for hearing within 30 days after its receipt of the request unless Respondent and the Committee by agreement waive the 30-day time period. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 156.15, subdivision 5, if no hearing is requested by Respondent within 30 days of service of this Order, this Order will become final and will remain in effect until it is modified or vacated by the Board.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if a hearing is requested, this Order will remain in effect until it is modified or vacated or made permanent by further order of the Board pursuant to Minnesota Statute's section 156.15, subdivision 4.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event a hearing is requested in this matter, it will be held before an administrative law judge to be appointed by the chief administrative law judge for the State of Minnesota, Office of Administrative Hearings, 600 North Robert Street, P.O. Box 64620, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620, telephone (651) 361-7900. All parties have the right to represent themselves or to be represented throughout the proceedings herein by legal

counsel or a person of their choice if not otherwise prohibited as the unauthorized practice of law. The hearing will be conducted pursuant to the contested case procedures as prescribed in Minnesota Statutes sections 14.57 to 14.69 and the Rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings, Minnesota Rules 1400.5010 to 1400.8400. Failure to attend a hearing in this matter after being duly notified may result in the allegations of this Order being taken as true.

Dated: December 27, 2017

**BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE** 

JULIA WILSON, D.V.M.

Executive Director