## BEFORE THE MINNESOTA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

In the Matter of Christina L. Wagner, D.V.M AGREEMENT FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION

License No. 08212

This Agreement is entered into by and between Christina L. Wagner, D.V.M. ("Licensee"), and the Minnesota Board of Veterinary Medicine Complaint Review Committee ("Complaint Review Committee") based on Minnesota Statutes section 214.103, subdivision 6(a)(2). Licensee and the Complaint Review Committee agree to the following:

## **FACTS**

- 1. While Licensee practiced veterinary medicine at Riverside Animal Clinic ("Clinic") in Springfield, Minnesota, the following occurred:
- 2. On October 7, 2020, Licensee evaluated two litters of Labrador Retriever puppies owned by K.S.
- 3. Licensee examined each puppy and identified health concerns for all puppies which were lethargic, in poor condition, pot-bellied with poor hair coats and very malodorous. A subset additionally had crusty skin lesions and areas of alopecia.
- 4. Licensee did not individually identify or create a medical record for each puppy, nor indicate which puppies were sampled for fecal flotation or skin scraping.
- 5. Licensee issued a commercial breeder health certificate for each puppy. The health certificate solely identified the puppy's gender and stated that the animal was free of contagious diseases.

6. On January 27, 2021, Licensee met virtually with the Complaint Review Committee, composed of Julie Dahlke, D.V.M., Board member, and Mary Olson, D.V.M., Board member, to discuss allegations regarding Licensee's practice of veterinary medicine contained in a Notice of Conference dated January 25, 2021. Rebecca Huting, Assistant Attorney General, represented the Complaint Review Committee during the conference and participated remotely. Licensee was unrepresented. Dr. Julia Wilson, executive director of the Board, also participated.

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- 7. Based on the available information, Licensee and the Committee agree that the conduct above violates Minnesota Statutes section 156.081, subdivision 2(11) and (12); and Minnesota Rules 9100.0700, subpart 1(A) and (C); and 9100.0800, subparts 1 and 4. Licensee and the Committee have agreed to enter into this Agreement for Corrective Action as follows:
- a. Within one month from the date of this Agreement, Licensee shall submit documentation of the continuing education for Licensee's most recent license renewal.
- b. Within three months from the date of this Agreement, Licensee shall submit to the Committee evidence of completion of at least six (6) credit hours of continuing education on the topic of veterinary medical records. For purposes of this requirement, the Committee preapproves the "Medical Record Keeping for Veterinarians," an online course offered by Drip Learning Technologies. The credits from this continuing education may not be applied to the requirements for Licensee's next license renewal.
- c. Within three months of the date of this Agreement, Licensee shall meet with a representative of the Board of Animal Health (BAH) for a minimum of one hour to discuss commercial breeder health certificates, physical examinations, record keeping and expectations for commercial breeder site inspections when poor health is identified. Licensee must provide this

Agreement to the BAH representative prior to the meeting. Licensee must cause the BAH representative to notify the Board that the meeting occurred, and that Licensee understands how to implement best practices for these topics. Licensee is encouraged to include all veterinarians from the practice in the meeting.

- d. Within one month following the meeting with the BAH representative, Licensee must submit a medical record template for wellness evaluation of puppy litters and each puppy within the litter. The template must meet the approval of the Committee.
- e. Three months after approval of the medical record template and for one subsequent quarter, Licensee must submit copies of the complete medical records for three litters of puppies that received wellness examinations in the preceding three months. The medical records must meet the approval of the Committee.

## OTHER INFORMATION

- 8. Upon Licensee's satisfactory completion of the corrective action referenced in paragraph 7 above, the Committee agrees to dismiss the complaint(s) concerning the matters referenced in paragraphs 2-5. The Committee shall be the sole judge of satisfactory completion. The Committee may reopen this complaint if it receives newly discovered information that was not available to the Committee during the initial investigation, or if the Committee receives a new complaint that indicates a pattern of behavior or conduct.
- 9. If Licensee fails to complete the corrective action satisfactorily, the Committee may, at its discretion, reopen the investigation and proceed according to Minnesota Statutes chapter 156 (the Board's Practice Act) and Minnesota Statutes chapters 214 and 14. Licensee agrees that failure to complete the corrective action satisfactorily is failure to cooperate under Minnesota Statutes section 156.123 and may subject Licensee to disciplinary action by the Board.

Licensee has been advised by Committee representatives that Licensee may choose

to be represented by legal counsel in this matter. Licensee was not represented by counsel.

11. This agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Board's Executive

Director and shall remain in effect until the Committee dismisses the complaint, unless the

Committee receives additional information that renders corrective action inappropriate. Upon

receiving such information, the Committee may, at its discretion, proceed according to Minnesota

Statutes chapter 156 (the Board's Practice Act) and Minnesota Statutes chapters 214 and 14.

12. This agreement is not disciplinary action. See Minnesota Statutes section 214.103,

subdivision 6. However, this agreement is classified as public data pursuant to Minnesota Statutes

section 13.41, subdivision 5, and 214.072, subdivision 3.

13. Licensee hereby acknowledges having read and understood this agreement and

having voluntarily entered into it. This agreement contains the entire agreement between the

Committee and Licensee, there being no other agreement of any kind, verbal or otherwise, which

varies the terms of this agreement.

CHRISTINAL WAGNER D.V.M.

Licensee

Dated: 3/15/2021

JULIA WILSON

**Executive Director** 

Dated: March 182021