

BEFORE THE  
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSING BOARD  
BOARD  
STATE OF OREGON

<p>In the Matter of the License of:</p> <p>AMEE A. ELLIS, Lic. #1072189</p> <p>Licensee.</p>	<p>Board Case No. 2011-04</p> <p>STIPULATION FOR VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF LICENSE IN LIEU OF REVOCATION</p>
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1.

The Occupational Therapy Licensing Board (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining occupational therapists in the State of Oregon. At all relevant times, Amee A. Ellis, (Licensee) has been a licensed occupational therapist subject to the jurisdiction of the Board.

2.

The Board initiated an investigation of Licensee in July 2011 after Licensee disclosed a criminal arrest. The Board finds it has grounds to issue a Notice of Proposed Disciplinary Action to revoke Licensee's license to practice in Oregon. Licensee would be provided the opportunity to request a hearing on such a Notice. In lieu thereof, the parties wish to resolve this matter informally, on the following grounds:

3.

The Board and Licensee stipulate to the following:

a. On May 6, 2011, Licensee was arrested in Polk County, Iowa and charged with felony Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver, felony Conspiracy to Deliver a Controlled Substance, and felony Failure to Possess a Tax Stamp. Licensee entered an Alford plea of guilty to felony Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver on July 22, 2011. On September 7, 2011, the Iowa District Court for Polk County

issued a Sentencing Order deferring judgment, dismissing the remaining counts and placing Licensee on two years of supervised probation. Licensee was ordered to make restitution, pay a DARE surcharge, pay a civil penalty of \$750 and successfully complete substance abuse treatment and aftercare.

b. If this matter proceeded to hearing, the Board would present substantial evidence that Licensee's conduct is grounds for license revocation under ORS 670.280, ORS 675.300(1), and OAR 339-010-0020(5)(d).

4.

The parties desire to settle this matter by entering into this Stipulation for Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Revocation, pursuant to ORS 183.417(3).

5.

Licensee stipulates, understands, and agrees to the following:

a. Licensee voluntarily surrenders her license as an occupational therapist, and requests that the Board accept her surrender. This voluntary surrender in lieu of revocation is subject to and conditioned upon acceptance by the Board. If accepted by the Board, this voluntary surrender shall be effective on the date the Board signs the order below.

b. In the event that Licensee applies for licensure with the Board in the future, the Board may as part of any review, consideration, or decision on the application, consider her conduct in this matter in addition to any other information obtained as part of the application process. This Stipulation does not in any way restrict or limit the Board as part of its review, consideration, and decision on any application submitted by Licensee.

c. Following the effective date of surrender, Licensee shall be prohibited from using the title of, or purporting to be, an occupational therapist in Oregon. Licensee shall not

engage in the practice of occupational therapy without being appropriately licensed with the Board.

d. Licensee understands that this Stipulation is a public record and is reportable to the Health Care Integrity and Protection Data Bank.

e. Any violation of this Stipulation is grounds for further action against Licensee. The Board has the right to take action against Licensee to enforce this Stipulation, or for other violations of ORS 675.210 through ORS 675.340 or OAR Chapter 339 not addressed in this Stipulation.

6.

Licensee has fully read and understands this Stipulation. Licensee has had the opportunity to consult with an attorney and has been fully advised in regards thereto or waives any and all rights to consult with an attorney prior to entering this Stipulation.

7.

Licensee enters into this Stipulation and consents to issuance of the order below voluntarily and without any force or duress. Licensee acknowledges that no promises or representation not stated herein have been made to induce Licensee to sign this Stipulation.

8.

Licensee understands that she has the right to a contested case hearing under the Administrative Procedures Act (ORS Chapter 183), which she waives. Licensee fully and finally waives any and all right to a hearing and further waives any rights to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulation.

It is so STIPULATED.

  
Amee A. Ellis

10-21-11  
Date

**CONSENT ORDER**

It is hereby ORDERED that:

1. The Stipulation for Voluntary Surrender of License in Lieu of Revocation submitted by Amee A. Ellis is hereby accepted by the Board;
2. Amee A. Ellis shall, within fourteen (14) calendar days of the date of this order, return her original license to the Board;
3. Amee A. Ellis shall not use the title of nor purport to be an occupational therapist nor engage in the practice of occupational therapy in Oregon without being appropriately licensed with the Board.

DATED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of ~~October~~<sup>Nov.</sup> 2011.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSING BOARD  
State of Oregon



Felicia M. Holgate, Executive Director