

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS BRANCH

In re: Richard Aronoff, D.P.M.

Petition No. 2007-0621-019-003

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Richard Aronoff of Fairfield, Connecticut (hereinafter "respondent") has been issued license number 000305 to practice podiatrist by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 375 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, respondent admits that:

1. He prescribed Adderall, Ambien and Percocet for himself, his wife and daughters from April 2006 through May 2007.
2. He failed to maintain a medical record for any of his family members or himself to support the prescribing of Adderall, Ambien and Percocet.
3. The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §20-59(4).

WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest this matter and agrees that for purposes of this or any future proceedings before the Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry (hereinafter "the Board"), this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if proven and ordered after a full hearing held pursuant to §§19a-10, 19a-14 and 20-59 of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §§19a-14, 19a-17 and 20-59 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, respondent hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

1. Respondent waives his right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
2. Respondent's license 000305 to practice as a podiatrist in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
3. He shall not prescribe, dispense or order controlled substances for members of his family, friends or himself.
4. Respondent's license is hereby placed on probation until he attends and successfully completes coursework in prescribing practices, pre-approved by the Department.
Respondent will be in violation of probation if he has not satisfactorily completed said course and provided documentation of completion within six months of the effective date of this Consent Order.
5. Respondent shall comply with all state and federal statutes and regulations applicable to his licensure.
6. Respondent shall pay all costs necessary to comply with this Consent Order.
7. Legal notice shall be sufficient if sent to respondent's last known address of record reported to the Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section of the Healthcare Systems Branch of the Department.
8. This Consent Order is effective on the first day of the month immediately following the date this Consent Order is accepted and ordered by the Board.

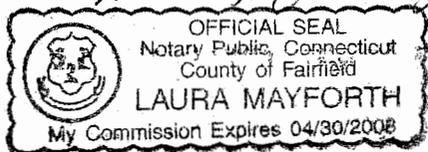
9. Respondent understands this Consent Order is a public document and evidence of the above admitted violations in any proceeding before the Board in which his compliance with this Consent Order or with §20-59 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue. Further, respondent understands that this action will be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank.
10. This Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Further, this Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 or 375 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any rights that he may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
11. This Consent Order is a revocable offer of settlement which may be modified by mutual agreement or withdrawn by the Department at any time prior to its being executed by the last signatory.
12. Respondent permits a representative of the Legal Office of the Healthcare Systems Branch to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the Board. Respondent understands that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether this executed Consent Order is approved or accepted.
13. Respondent has the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.
14. The execution of this document has no bearing on any criminal liability without the written consent of the Director of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit or the Bureau Chief of the Division of Criminal Justice's Statewide Prosecution Bureau.

I, Richard Aronoff, have read the above Consent Order, and I stipulate and agree to the terms as set forth therein. I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.

Richard Aronoff
Richard Aronoff, D.P.M.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13 day of Sept 2007.

Notary Public Signature only



Laura Mayforth
Notary Public or person authorized
by law to administer an oath or affirmation

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health on the 26th day of September 2007, it is hereby accepted.

Jennifer Filippone
Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations
Healthcare Systems Branch

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the _____ on the 12th day of December 2007, it is hereby ordered and accepted.

Mark M. [Signature]
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry