

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH**

In re: James Krantz, D.P.M.

Petition No. 2011-735

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, James Krantz of Milford, Connecticut (hereinafter "respondent") has been issued license number 000405 to practice as a podiatrist by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 375 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the Department alleges that:

1. During 2009, respondent provided podiatric care to S. M.
2. During 2009, S.M. gave consent for respondent to perform a surgical procedure upon the distal interphalangeal joint of her right, second toe.
3. On or about May 1, 2009, respondent erred when he performed the surgical procedure upon the proximal interphalangeal joint of her right, second toe.
4. 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 the above allegations of wrongdoing but, while admitting no guilt or wrongdoing, 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:

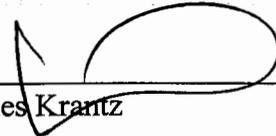
1. Respondent waives his right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
2. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) by certified or cashier's check payable to "Treasurer, State of Connecticut." The check shall reference the Petition Number on the face of the check, and shall be payable at the time respondent submits the executed Consent Order to the Department.
3. Respondent shall comply with all state and federal statutes and regulations applicable to his licensure.
4. Respondent shall pay all costs necessary to comply with this Consent Order.
5. 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 Quality and Safety Branch of the Department.
6. 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.
7. Respondent agrees that this Consent Order shall be deemed a public document, and the Department's allegations as contained in this Consent Order shall be deemed true in any subsequent 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 any discipline imposed by this Consent Order shall be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank.
8. In the event respondent violates a term of this Consent Order, respondent agrees immediately to refrain from practicing as a podiatrist, upon request by the Department,

with notice to the Board, for a period not to exceed 45 days. During that time period, respondent further agrees to cooperate with the Department in its investigation of the violation, and to submit to and complete a medical, psychiatric or psychological evaluation, if requested to do so by the Department; and, that the results of the evaluation shall be submitted directly to the Department. Respondent further agrees that failure to cooperate with the Department in its investigation during said 45 day period shall constitute grounds for the Department to seek a summary suspension of respondent's license. In any such summary action, respondent stipulates that failure to cooperate with the Department's investigation shall be considered by the Board and shall, as a matter of law, constitute a clear and immediate danger as required pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, sections 4-182(c) and 19a-17(c). The Department and respondent understand that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether a summary suspension is ordered.

8. 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. Respondent understands that this Consent Order shall not be subject to modification as a result of any claim that the terms contained herein may result in action by third parties, including, but not limited to, healthcare facilities and/or credentialing or licensure boards. Respondent assumes all responsibility for assessing such actions prior to the execution of this document. Further, this Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 or 368a 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.

10. 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.
11. Respondent permits a representative of the Legal Office of the Healthcare Quality and Safety 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.
12. Respondent has the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.
13. 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 State's Attorney's Office where the allegation occurred or Bureau Chief of the applicable unit in the Chief State's Attorney's Office. The purpose of this Consent Order is to resolve the pending administrative license disciplinary petition only, and is not intended to affect any civil or criminal liability or defense.
14. This Consent Order embodies the entire agreement of the parties with respect to this case. All previous communications or agreements regarding the subject matter of this consent order, whether oral or written, between the parties are superseded unless expressly incorporated herein or made a part hereof.

I, James Krantz, 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.

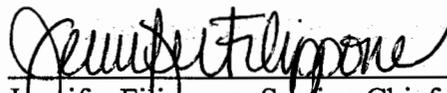

James Krantz

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of October 2012.

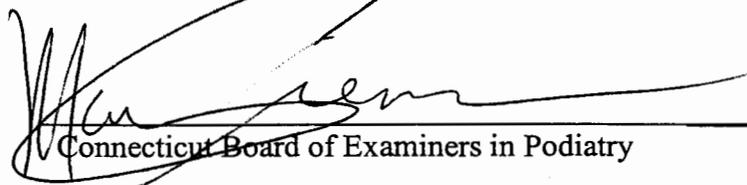



Notary Public or person authorized
by law to administer an oath or affirmation

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the
Commissioner of the Department of Public Health on the 5th day of
November 2012, it is hereby accepted.


Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations
Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the _____
on the 5th day of December 2012, it is hereby ordered and accepted.


Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry