

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
BUREAU OF REGULATORY SERVICES

In re: Rita Johnson, H/C

Petition No. 960403-020-009

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Rita Johnson H/C of Stratford, Connecticut (hereinafter "respondent") has been issued license number 032677 to practice hairdressing and cosmetology by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 387 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the Department alleges that:

1. Between approximately December 1995 and March 1996, respondent aided and/or abetted the practice of hairdressing and cosmetology by unlicensed persons.
2. On or about March 19, 1996, respondent engaged in fraud or material deception in the course of professional services or activities by aiding and/or abetting the practice of hairdressing and cosmetology by unlicensed persons.
3. The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §§ 20-257 and 20-263.

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 for Barbers, Hairdressers and Cosmeticians (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-17 and 20-263 of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §§19a-17 and 20-263 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Rita Johnson, H/C, 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 number 032677 to practice as a hairdresser and cosmetologist in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
3. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500) 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.
4. Respondent shall comply with all state and federal statutes and regulations applicable to her licensure.
5. Respondent understands that this Consent Order is a matter of public record.
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 the Department's allegations as contained in this Consent Order shall be deemed true in any subsequent proceeding before the Board in which (1) her compliance with this Consent Order is at issue, or (2) her compliance with §§20-257 or 20-263 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.

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. 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.
9. 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.
10. Respondent permits a representative of the Legal Office of the Bureau of Regulatory Services 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.
11. Respondent has the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.

I, Rita Johnson, 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.

Rita G. Johnson
Rita Johnson, H.C.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of May 1997.

Terence A. DeProfio

TERENCE A. DEPROFIO
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUG. 31, 1998

[Signature]
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 27th day of May 1997, it is hereby accepted.

Cynthia Denne
Cynthia Denne, Director
Division of Health Systems Regulation

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the CT Exam. Bd for Barbers, Hairdressers and Cosmeticians on the 2 day of June 1997, it is hereby ordered and accepted.

[Signature]
Connecticut Examining Board for Barbers,
Hairdressers and Cosmeticians