

BEFORE THE WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY

**WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF
DENTISTRY,**

COMPLAINANT,

v.

CASE NO. 2022-DB-0006D

**JOSE RAVELO, DDS,
LICENSE NO. 4371,**

RESPONDENT.

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The West Virginia Board of Dentistry (“Board”) and Jose Ravelo, DDS, enter into the following Consent Agreement and Order for the purpose of resolving the above-styled matter. The Board and Dr. Ravelo are collectively referred to as the “Parties.” As reflected in this Consent Agreement and Order, the Parties have reached an agreement in which they stipulate to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and disposition of this matter.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Dr. Ravelo is a licensee of the Board, holding License No. 4371. As a result, he is subject to the Board’s rules and regulations.
2. On September 9, 2021, Dr. Ravelo contacted the Board, through counsel, to self-report an incident that occurred involving a patient who had postoperative bleeding and hematoma requiring emergency room care and a brief hospital admission.

3. On October 15, 2021, Susan M. Combs, the Board's Executive Director, issued a Subpoena Duces Tecum for the patient's medical records from Princeton Community Hospital, where the patient sought treatment as noted above.

4. On or about November 9, 2021, the Board received a copy of the patient's medical records from Princeton Community Hospital.

5. On February 14, 2022, the Board sent Dr. Ravelo, through counsel, correspondence in which it notified Dr. Ravelo that the Board had opened a complaint against him regarding his care of the above-referenced patient. The Board requested that Dr. Ravelo file a written response to the complaint within thirty days.

6. On March 15, 2022, the Board received a written response from Dr. Ravelo, through his attorney, along with two medical articles in support of his position. In his response, Dr. Ravelo denied that he violated any standards of care when treating his patient.

7. The Parties desire to fully and finally resolve any and all proceedings arising from and/or in connection with Complaint No. 2022-DB-0006D and to provide a mutual release of liability for any and all associated claims or actions.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board is a state entity created and governed by W. Va. Code §§ 30-4-1 *et seq.* (Dental Practice Act), and is empowered to regulate the practice of dentistry in the State of West Virginia.

2. While disputed by Dr. Ravelo, if proven by a preponderance of the evidence, Dr. Ravelo's conduct alleged in the complaint would violate the Dental Practice Act.

CONSENT OF LICENSEE

1. After having had the opportunity to consult with an attorney of my choice, I sign this Consent Agreement and Order voluntarily, freely, without compulsion or duress, and understand that my signature has legal consequences.

2. The entire agreement is contained in this Consent Agreement and Order, and no person or entity has made any promise or given any inducement whatsoever to encourage me to make this settlement other than as set forth in this document.

3. I am aware that I may pursue this matter through appropriate administrative and/or court proceedings. I am aware of my legal rights regarding this matter, but I have chosen to waive those rights intelligently, knowingly, and voluntarily.

4. I waive any defenses including, but not limited to, laches, statute of limitations, and estoppel, that I may have otherwise claimed as a condition of this agreement.

Dr. Ravelo, by affixing his signature hereto, agrees to the following Order:

ORDER

Based on the foregoing, and in lieu of further prosecution of these matters, the Board does hereby ORDER and DECREE as follows:

1. Dr. Ravelo shall successfully complete a minimum of four (4) hours of professional education in the area of surgical management, a minimum of four (4) hours of professional education in the area of anticoagulant dental care, a minimum of four (4) hours of professional education in the area of dental anatomy, and a minimum of four (4) hours of professional education in the area of record keeping. The aforementioned sixteen (16) hours of professional education are in addition to the Board's biennial continuing education requirements for licensed dentists as set forth in W. Va. Code R. § 5-11-3.

2. This Consent Agreement and Order shall remain in effect until the professional education obligations set forth herein have been fulfilled, and Dr. Ravelo's West Virginia license to practice dentistry continues to be active and without restriction.

3. Any failure to comply with all provisions in this Consent Agreement and Order may result in further disciplinary action, up to and including the suspension or revocation of Dr. Ravelo's license to practice dentistry in the State of West Virginia.

4. This document is a public record available for inspection by the public in accordance with the provisions of the West Virginia Freedom of Information Act, W. Va. Code §§ 29B-1-1 *et seq.*, and may be reported to other governmental agencies, professional boards, or other organizations.

5. This Consent Agreement and Order constitutes the entire agreement between the parties.

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In recognition of this *Consent Agreement and Order*, we hereby affix our signatures.

WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY

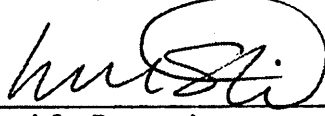
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REVIEWED AND AGREED TO BY:


Jose Ravelo, DDS
Respondent

Dec/09/2024
Date


Counsel for Respondent