

Before the
N.H. Board of Medicine

In the matter of: John W. Desbiens
 (Initial Application-
 Respiratory Care Practitioner)

Settlement Agreement

WHEREAS, the New Hampshire Board of Medicine ("the Board") has received an application for licensure as a "Respiratory Care Practitioner" from John W. Desbiens on September 12, 1996.

WHEREAS, the application included letters of reference which indicted that Mr. Desbiens "has always demonstrated high professional standards as a practicing Respiratory Therapist.", even though Mr. Desbiens indicated that he is not and has never been licensed to practice as a respiratory therapist.

WHEREAS, Investigation by the Respiratory Care Advisory Committee indicates that Mr. Desbiens does, in fact, hold himself out as an expert in respiratory care or as a "Respiratory Therapist" in his work selling and delivering respiratory care equipment to patients in a home care setting.

WHEREAS, The Board and Mr. Desbien agree that Mr. Desbien is qualified to be licensed as a respiratory care practitioner and would like to avoid the time and expense of contested proceedings in regard to this matter,

THE UNDERSIGNED PARTIES HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

That the application of John W. Desbiens to practice as a Respiratory Care Practitioner shall be granted by the Board.

That John W. Desbian will be reprimanded by the Board for practicing as a Respiratory Care Practitioner prior to receiving a license from the Board.

That John W. Desbian will reimburse the Board \$100.00 in investigational costs associated with this matter.

And that this agreement shall be a public document as required by RSA 91-A and shall represent final disposition of the matter currently before the Board.

DATE: 12-9-86

SIGNATURE: _____


John W. Desbiens

DATE: 1/8/97

SIGNATURE: _____


Karen Lamoureux
For the Board of Medicine