BEFORE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF: WALTER BRENT LARSEN D.D.S.

ORDER

On this 12th day of January, 2001 comes on for hearing the matter of Walter Brent Larsen, DDS. The Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners appeared together by a quorum of its membership together with its attorney William H. Trice, III. Walter Brent Larsen, DDS appeared Pro Se. From the pleadings, testimony of the witness, and evidence introduced the Board finds that:

I

Walter Brent Larsen, DDS is a licensed dentist in the State of Arkansas pursuant to the provisions of the Dental Practices Act.

II

Walter Brent Larsen, DDS forwarded to the Board his 1998/1999 continuing education hours on a form prepared by the Board reflecting that he had completed 41 hours.

III

On said form Walter Brent Larsen, DDS, stated that on December 29, 1998 he took a course from the American Heart Association with 16 credit hours.

IV

Walter Brent Larsen, DDS, has testified that in actuality the course time only involved 6 hours.

V
Article XIV(b) defines continuing education unit as "one continuing education unit equals a minimum of 50 minutes."

Article XIV(d)(1) required that dentists will complete 40 credit units for every two year reporting period.

VI

For the years 1998 and 1999 Walter Brent Larsen, DDS, completed only 31 valid credit unit hours.

VII

Walter Brent Larsen, DDS, admitted proof to the Board during the hearing that after charges were filed he completed 9 valid credit unit hours. Said hours were taken and completed but not in a timely fashion pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Board.

WHEREFORE, IT IS CONSIDERED, ORDERED and ADJUDGED that:

1. Walter Brent Larsen, DDS violated the Dental Practice Act, more specifically, Arkansas Code Annotated § 17-82-316(b)(3)(f) that is he violated the rules and regulations of the Board, more specifically, Article XIV involving minimum continuing education requirements for licensure.

2. As a result of the above violation of the Dental Practice Act Walter Brent Larsen, DDS is to pay a fine to the Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners in the amount of $600.00 within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order.
IT IS SO ORDERED.

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

By: __________________________
    Wendell D. Garrett, D.D.S., President

Date: __________________________

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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William H. Trice, III
Attorney for the Arkansas State
Board of Dental Examiners

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