## BEFORE THE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of	)
Jorge Torres, CCA. License No; 3515	) FINAL ORDER BY DEFAUL' ) <b>LETTER OF REPRIMAND</b> )
Licensee.	) Case # 2008-1008

The Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners (hereafter "Board" or "OBCE") is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining chiropractic physicians and certified chiropractic assistants in the State of Oregon. Jorge Torres (hereafter "Licensee"), is a certified chiropractic assistant in Oregon.

Findings of Fact

1.

In January 2008, Patient 1 became a patient of Licensee. Patient 1 went to two treatments and those were without incident. On the third session on January 17, 2008, Patient 1 went for routine therapy. Patient 1 was put on some equipment which strapped her onto a machine. While she was being strapped to the machine, Licensee made inappropriate references to how attractive she was. While receiving the therapy, Patient 1 reported that Licensee stroked her hair and face and kissed her on the lips. Patient 1 reported it immediately to the doctor at the clinic. In addition, it was reported to the police. Licensee was fired from his position as a chiropractic assistant.

2.

In an interview with the Board, Licensee was fully cooperative. He admitted that he kissed her but said it was on the cheek and it was wrong. He said he "let his guard down." He said she came one to him, "it seemed like she had something on her mind, saying things about how sexual she was and that she couldn't get enough of it and like a fool I went for it."

On May 20, 2008, the Board sent the Proposed Notice of Discipline to last known address. The Notice was also later served by email. In that Notice, Licensee was told to request a hearing within 30 days. Licensee failed to request a hearing within the time permitted. Licensee further communicated that he was not going to request a hearing and would accept the sanction. Licensee confirmed to the Board that he received the Notice via email communication. The Licensee is now in default.

### Conclusions of Law

4.

The Board finds that the Licensee is in default and that Licensee's conduct as described herein constitutes unprofessional conduct. Licensee's practice, as described above, constitutes violations of ORS 684.100 (1)(g)(A); and OAR 811-035-0015(1)(b)-(e) and OAR 811-010-0110(14)(a).

#### Order

5.

Due to the aforementioned violations, the OBCE is issuing a Letter of Reprimand to Licensee.

Dated this June 30, 2008.

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS State of Oregon

Original signatures on file at the OBCE office.

Dave McTeague Executive Director

A party is entitled to judicial review of the Final Order. Judicial review is by the Oregon Court of Appeals pursuant to the provisions of ORS 183.482. Judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review with the Office of State Court Administrator, Supreme Court Building, Salem, Oregon 97310. ORS 183.482 requires that an appeal is requested by filing a petition in the Court of Appeals within 60 days following the date the order upon which the petition is based is served.

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# **Certificate of Service**

I, <u>Dave McTeague</u>, certify that on June 30, 2008, I served the foregoing Final Order by Default upon the party hereto by emailing a true, exact and full copy thereof to:

Jorge Torres, medicinehandsmassage1@gmail.com

Original signature on file at the OBCE office.

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Dave McTeague Executive Director

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May 20, 2008

Jorge Torres, medicinehandsmassage1@gmail.com

Re: Case # 2008-1008, Final Order by Default Letter of Reprimand

Dear Mr. Torres,

The Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners is issuing this Letter of Reprimand for violations of of ORS 684.100 (1)(g)(A); and OAR 811-035-0015(1)(b)-(e) and OAR 811-010-0110(14)(a). It is unprofessional conduct for a Certified Chiropractic Assistant to cross boundaries a patient in the clinic setting.

If you have any questions you may give me a call.

Sincerely,

Original signatures on file at the OBCE office.

Dave McTeague Executive Director