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BEFORE THE
BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS
STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of)
Cynthia M. Colwell DC) Case # 2011-5030
License # 3602)
Final Order by Default

15 The Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners (hereafter “Board” or “OBCE”) is the state
16 agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining chiropractic physicians and certified
17 chiropractic assistants in the State of Oregon. Cynthia M. Colwell DC (hereafter “Licensee”),
18 is a licensed Chiropractic physician in Oregon.

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20 Findings of Fact

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23 Licensee renewed her license May 27, 2011 and signed the affidavit stating, “I swear and
24 affirm that I have completed all of my required continuing education credit hours by my license
25 renewal date 5/31/11.”

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27 On Oct 24, 2011, the Board mailed a CE Audit request to Licensee to her address of
28 record. Licensee has a renewal date of May 31, 2011. On November 22, 2011, the Board sent a
29 last minute reminder to Licensee requesting her response. On November 18, 2011 and
30 November 29, 2011 Licensee faxed letters requesting a hardship waiver and stated she had
31 financial and medical difficulties. Licensee stated she had not completed the required CE.

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34 The OBCE reviewed Licensee’s lack of response on Dec 1, 2011 and voted to issue a
35 Notice of Proposed Civil Penalty. They also determined that she had not made her request for a
36 hardship waiver in a timely manner.

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39 A Notice of Proposed Civil Penalty was issued on December 19, 2011. Licensee’s
40 response was received January 19, 2012 which also provided evidence of completion of the 20
41 hours CE taken between January 8 and 15, 2012. She also sent a \$250 payment towards the civil
42 penalty. Licensee did not request a hearing.

1 Conclusions of Law

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4 The Board finds that Licensee's failure to complete the CE within the time period
5 required is a violation of OAR 811-15-0025 and ORS 684.092. In signing the renewal affidavit
6 stating the CE was completed within that time period, when it was not, Licensee violated OAR
7 811-035-0015(16).

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9 Order

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12 Licensee is assessed a \$250 civil penalty (which has been paid). The remaining proposed
13 \$1,000 civil penalty is waived.

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16 DATED January 25, 2012.

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18 **BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS**
19 State of Oregon

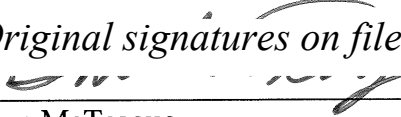
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22 By: _____
23 Dave McTeague, Executive Director

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Dave McTeague, certify that on January 25, 2012, I served the foregoing Final Order by Default upon Licensee, the party hereto, by mailing, regular mail, postage prepaid, a true, exact and full copy thereof to:

Cynthia Colwell, DC
Align with Health Chiropractic Clinic
376 "B" St
Ashland, OR 97520

Original signatures on file at OBCE office


Dave McTeague
Executive Director
Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners