

BEFORE THE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

FOR THE STATE OF OREGON

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In The Matter of)	Final Order by Default
Geoffrey Skelton, D.C.,)	Case NO. 1004-96
Licensee,)	
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On or about May 21, 1996, a Notice stating that the Board intended to suspend and place restrictions on the chiropractic license of Dr. Geoffrey Skelton was served upon the licensee by certified mail. This notice alleged that licensee entered into a physician-patient relationship with female patient and that licensee had a sexual relationship with the patient. The Notice further granted to the licensee an opportunity for hearing, if requested within 21 days of service of the notice. No such request for hearing has been received by the Board. The Notice designated the Board's file on this matter as the record for purposes of default.

NOW THEREFORE, after consideration of the records and files of the Board relating to this matter, the Board enters the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Dr. Geoffrey Skelton is a licensed chiropractor in the state of Oregon.
2. Dr. Geoffrey Skelton treated as a patient through January 8, 1996.
3. On January 6, and 7, 1996 Dr. Skelton and had sexual intercourse.

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4 **ULTIMATE FINDINGS OF FACT**

5 Dr. Skelton had sexual intercourse with _____ while he had a physician-
6 patient relationship her.

7 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

8 Dr. Skelton's conduct is a violation of ORS 684.100 (1) (g) (A) and OAR
9 811-035-0015 (1).

10 **ORDER**

- 11 1. The right of Dr. Skelton to practice chiropractic is suspended for
12 sixty days beginning at 12:01 a.m. July 4, 1996.
- 13 2. Another adult must be physically present in the room at all times
14 licensee treats female patients.
- 15 3. Beginning on the expiration of the sixty day suspension, licensee
16 will receive therapy from a licensed psychiatrist or psychologist who
17 specializes in the treatment of sex and professional boundary issues.
- 18 4. Reports from the therapist shall be provided to the Board at six
19 month intervals.
- 20 5. Licensee agrees to continue his treatment with therapy for as long as
21 the therapist, in his/her professional opinion, deems necessary or
22 advisable.
- 23 6. Licensee consents to the therapist contacting the Board, if the
24 therapist believes there is a risk to the public by the continued
25 practice of licensee as a chiropractic physician.
- 26 7. The OBCE must approve of the therapist selected by licensee.
- 27 8. All therapy shall be at the cost of the licensee.
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1 9. Licensee's probation will last three years.

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3 DATED THIS 1st day of July 1990.

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6 Original signature on file
7 at the OBCE office.

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Dave McTeague, Executive Director

