IN THE MATTER OF

\* BEFORE THE

**DUANE BROOKS, A.T.** 

\* MARYLAND STATE BOARD

Respondent

\* OF PHYSICIANS

License Number: A01131

\* Case Number: 2219-0072

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# **CONSENT ORDER**

The Maryland State Board of Physicians (the "Board") and the Respondent, Duane Brooks, A.T., agree to enter into this Consent Order in order to resolve Mr. Brook's unauthorized practice of athletic training.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

On August 20, 2018, Mr. Brooks filed and Athletic Trainer Application for Licensure with the Board showing that he began working as an athletic trainer in Maryland on July 17, 2018. Mr. Brooks, however, was not licensed by the Board as an athletic trainer until September 6, 2018. And an Evaluation and Treatment Protocol between Mr. Brooks and his supervising physician was not approved by the Board until September 26, 2018. Mr. Brooks thus practiced athletic training without a license and without an approved evaluation and treatment protocol.

# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based upon the findings of fact, the Board concludes that Mr. Brooks engaged in the unauthorized practice of athletic training in Maryland, in violation of § 14-5D-17 of the Health Occupations Article, Annotated Code of Maryland; practiced athletic training without a license, in violation of § 14-5D-07 of the Health Occupations Article; and practiced as an athletic trainer without having obtained approval from the Board of an Evaluation and Treatment Protocol, in violation of § 14-5D-11(b)(3) of the Health Occupations Article.

# ORDER

Based upon the findings of fact and conclusions of law, it is, by the Board, hereby

**ORDERED** that, within 90 days, Mr. Brooks shall pay a civil fine of \$250.00 by bank certified check or money order made payable to the Maryland Board of Physicians, P.O. Box 37217, Baltimore, Maryland 21297; and it is further

**ORDERED** that if Mr. Brooks fails to comply with any term or condition of this Consent Order, the Board, after notice and an opportunity to be heard, may impose a further sanction upon Mr. Brooks, including, reprimand, probation, suspension or revocation of his license to practice athletic training, or an additional fine; and it is further

**ORDERED** that this is a public document.

01/16/2019

Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Direct Maryland State Board of Physicians

### **CONSENT**

I, Duane Brooks, A.T., acknowledge that I have had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel before signing this document. By this Consent, I agree and accept to be bound by this Consent Order's terms and conditions. I waive any rights I may have had to contest the Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law, Order, and Consent.

I acknowledge the validity of this Consent Order as if entered into after the conclusion of a formal evidentiary hearing in which I would have had the right to consult, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my own behalf, and to all other substantive and procedural protections as provided by law. I acknowledge the legal

authority and jurisdiction of the Board to initiate this action and to issue and enforce this Consent Order. I also affirm that I am waiving my right to appeal or seek judicial or court review or relief of this Consent Order.

I sign this Consent Order without reservation, and I fully understand and comprehend the language, meaning, and terms and conditions of this Consent Order. I voluntarily sign this Order fully understanding its meaning and effect.

Signature	on	File

Date

Duane Brooks, A.T.

**NOTARY** 

STATE OF Maryland

CITY/COUNTY OF Baltimore

AS WITNESS, my hand and Notary Seal.

Notary Public

My commission expires: February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2021

NOTARY PUBLIC &

City/County of Cartimore
State of Maryland
Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 5th day of January, 2019
by Duane Brooks
Notary Public