



State of New Jersey

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DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS
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October 25, 1989

Donald B. Shatto, VMD
Garden State Veterinary Hospital
41 Main Street
Netcong, New Jersey 07857

Re: Case #89-65

Dear Dr. Shatto:

This is to advise you that the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners has received and reviewed certain information regarding activity in which you were engaged as a Board licensee. The Board's initial review discloses what appears to be occupational misconduct in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e), in that you intentionally failed to respond to telephone calls from Sylvia Harris concerning the condition of her rabbit which you treated and failed to meet your professional responsibility by discussing the case with the consumer regardless to how you felt and, failing to inform her of your withdrawn position and that records would be made readily available.

You are hereby offered the opportunity to settle this matter and avoid the initiation of formal disciplinary proceedings by signing the enclosed certification and paying a civil penalty in the amount of \$250. The penalty is to be remitted by check made payable to the State of New Jersey.

Alternatively, you may waive your right to a hearing and submit a written statement or explanation to the Board. The Board will consider this statement and render a final decision thereon. You may also request a hearing in which case the matter will be scheduled and this notice will serve as a complaint. At the hearing you may, either personally or with the assistance of an attorney, submit such testimony or other evidence as you may deem necessary in order for the Board to finally determine whether the unlawful acts set forth herein have been proven.

CERTIFICATION

Case No. 89-65 Sylvia Harris VS Donald B. Shatto, VMD

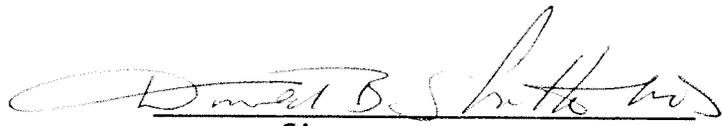
I have received the Board's letter dated Oct 25, 1989
regarding alleged violations.

Please check one:

The allegations setforth therein are acknowledged and I enclose
herewith a check in the amount of \$ 250.00 payable to the
"State of New Jersey". Assurance is hereby given that the
conduct alleged in the notice will not continue or reoccur.

I hereby waive any right which I may have to a hearing in this
matter and submit a written statement for the Board's final
consideration in this matter.

A hearing on this matter before the Board is hereby requested.


Signature

DATED: Nov 1, 1989

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