

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
OF THE STATE OF IOWA**

IN THE MATTER OF:)

PAMELA J. PENICK, R.D.A.)
5612 SW 5th Place)
Des Moines, IA 50315)

NOTICE OF HEARING

Registration #Q04893)

Respondent)

You are hereby notified that on April 15, 2005, the Board found probable cause to file a Statement of Charges against you. If any of the allegations against you are founded, the Board has authority to take disciplinary action against you under Iowa Code chapters 17A, 147, 153, and 272C (2005), and 650 Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 51. A copy of the Statement of Charges is attached, and sets forth the particular statutes and rules which you are alleged to have violated, and further provides a short and plain statement of the matters asserted.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a disciplinary contested case hearing be held upon the Statement of Charges on August 25, 2005, before the full Board or a panel of the Board. The hearing shall begin at 8:00 a.m. and shall be located in the 1st Floor Conference Room, Iowa Board of Dental Examiners at 400 SW 8th Street, Ste D, Des Moines, Iowa. The Board shall serve as presiding officer, but the Board may request an Administrative

Law Judge make initial rulings on prehearing matters, and be present to assist and advise the Board at hearing.

Within twenty (20) days of the date you are served with the Statement of Charges and Notice of Hearing, you are required by 650 Iowa Administrative Code 51.12(2) to file an Answer to the Charges. In that Answer, you should also state whether you will require an adjustment of the date and time of the hearing.

At hearing, you may appear personally or be represented by counsel at your own expense. You will be allowed the opportunity to respond to the Charges against you. The procedural rules governing the conduct of the hearing are found at 650 Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 51.

The office of the Attorney General is responsible for representing the public interest (the State) in this proceeding. Pleadings shall be filed with the Board and copies should be provided to counsel for the State at the following address:

Theresa O'Connell Weeg
Assistant Attorney General
Iowa Attorney General's Office
2nd Floor, Hoover State Office Building
Des Moines, IA 50319
Phone (515) 281-6858

If you fail to appear at the hearing, the Board may enter a default decision or proceed with the hearing and render a decision in your absence, in accordance with Iowa Code section 17A.12(3) and 650 Iowa Administrative Code 51.22.

This matter may be resolved by settlement agreement. The procedural rules governing the Board's settlement process are found at 650 Iowa Administrative Code

51.19. If you are interested in pursuing settlement of this matter, please contact Constance L. Price, Executive Director, at 515-281-5157.

Dated this 15th day of April, 2005.



DEENA R. KUEMPEL, D.D.S.
Chairperson
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- 1) The Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Iowa Code Chapters 153 and 272C (2005).
- 2) On April 1, 1995, Pamela J. Penick, R.D.A., the Respondent, was issued registration number Q04893 by the Board to engage in the practice of dental assisting, subject to the laws of the State of Iowa and the rules of the Board.
- 3) Registration number Q04893 is current and on active status until June 30, 2005.

COUNT I

The Respondent is charged under Iowa Code Section 153.34(14) (2005) with the inability to practice dental assisting with reasonable skill and safety by reason of illness, drunkenness, or habitual or excessive use of drugs, intoxicants, narcotics, chemicals, or other types of materials.

THE CIRCUMSTANCES

1. The Board received information alleging that Respondent was using illicit drugs.

2. An investigation was conducted and Respondent consented to a urinalysis that confirmed the presence of methamphetamine.
3. Respondent admitted to using this drug.

On this *15th* day of April, 2005, the Iowa Board of Dental Examiners found probable cause to file this Statement of Charges and to order a hearing in this case.

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