

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
HEALTH PROFESSIONS REGULATION**

vs.

Thomas J. Blaney

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to R.I.G.L. (2001 Reenactment) Section 5-60 and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, the Rhode Island Department of Health (hereinafter "Department"), after review and consultation with the Board of Athletic Trainers, has investigated the information contained on the licensure application of Thomas Blaney, (hereinafter "Respondent").

1. Respondent is applying for licensure as an Athletic Trainer in the State of Rhode Island.
2. That in filing an application for licensure, indicated that Respondent had been working as an Athletic Trainer at Salve Regina University in Newport, Rhode Island.
3. That pursuant to Section 5-60-14, the conduct described in paragraph two (2) herein constitutes grounds to deny an application for licensure.

The parties agree as follows:

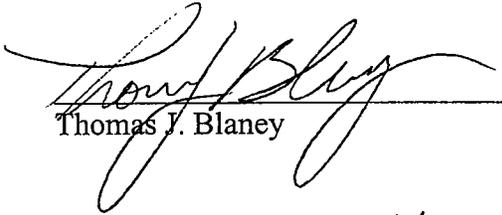
1. Respondent is an applicant for licensure as an athletic trainer.
2. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Department and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Department.
3. Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that it is a proposal of the Department and is subject to the final approval of the Department. This Consent Order

and the contents thereof are not binding on Respondent until final approval of the Department.

4. Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
 - a) The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Department;
 - b) The right to produce witnesses and evidence at a hearing;
 - c) The right to cross-examine witnesses;
 - d) The right to have subpoenas issued by the Department;
 - e) The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
 - f) Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order;
 - g) Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Department for consideration and review;
 - h) Any objection to the fact that it will be necessary for the Department to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to adequately review this Consent Order;
 - i) Any objection to the fact that the Department reviewing this Consent Order may be the same as the Hearing Committee presiding over this matter should it later be brought to an administrative proceeding;
 - j) Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of the presentation of this Consent Order to the Department.
5. This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties.

6. Acceptance by the Respondent and approval by the Department of this Consent Order constitutes an admission of the facts contained herein.
7. Failure to comply with this Consent Order, once signed and accepted, shall subject the Respondent to further disciplinary action.
8. That the Department shall grant the application for licensure filed by Respondent and shall issue Respondent a license as an athletic trainer, however, Respondent shall voluntarily accept the sanction of a reprimand upon licensure.

Signed on this 4 day of April 2003


Thomas J. Blaney

Approved on this 15th day of April 2003


Donald C. Williams, Associate Director
Health Services Regulation