

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH :
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION :
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL :
SERVICES :

vs. :

EDGAR W. BATSFORD :

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to R.I.G.L. (1996 Reenactment) Section 23-4.1-9, a complaint was filed with the Department of Health, Health Services Regulation, Division of Emergency Medical Services (hereinafter referred to as "Department") charging Edgar W. Batsford (hereinafter "Respondent") with a violation of Chapter 23-4.1 and the Rules and Regulations adopted thereunder, and the terms of a Consent Agreement dated 24 January 2001. After consideration by the "Department", the following constitutes the Findings of Fact with respect to the professional performance of the "Respondent":

1. "Respondent" is licensed as an Emergency Medical Technician-Cardiac and an Instructor Coordinator.
2. That at all pertinent times herein "Respondent" was employed by the Department of Health and held the position of Training Coordinator (Emergency Medical Services).
3. That on or about 24 January 2001 "Respondent" executed a Consent Agreement with the "Department". Pursuant to the terms of said Consent Agreement, "Respondent's" licenses as an Emergency Medical Technician-Cardiac and Instructor Coordinator were suspended for a period of thirty (30) working days; provided, however, twenty-nine (29)

days of the suspension were stayed and "Respondent" was placed on probation for a period of one (1) year. The reason for the entry of the Consent Order was that, on or about 15 November 2000, "Respondent" did drive a state owned vehicle after consuming alcohol and did submit false information on an accident report filed with the "Department" on 17 November 2000.

4. That on or about 8 February 2001, 8 March 2001, 19 May 2001, and 31 May 2001 "Respondent", while Treasurer of the National Council of State Emergency Medical Services Training Coordinators, Inc., did write four (4) checks to himself in the total amount of two thousand fifty dollars (\$2,050.00) without authorization from said organization.

Pursuant to Section 5-34-24, this conduct constitutes unprofessional conduct in the State of Rhode Island and is also a violation of the terms of the Consent Agreement dated 14 May 2001 and, as such, constitutes grounds for the imposition of disciplinary sanctions.

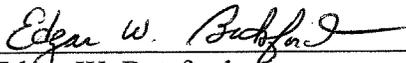
The parties agree as follows:

1. "Respondent" is a licensed Emergency Medical Technician-Cardiac and a licensed Instructor Coordinator and able to conduct business under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Rhode Island.
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 by the "Department". This Consent Order and the contents thereof are not binding on "Respondent" until final approval by 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 in his behalf 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.
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. "Respondent" agrees to the revocation of his Emergency Medical Services-Cardiac license and his Instructor Coordinator license; provided further, "Respondent" shall not apply for said licenses for a period of at least five (5) years from the date of the execution of this Consent Order by all the parties.
8. At such time that "Respondent" should apply for licensure as an Emergency Medical Services-Cardiac license and/or Instructor Coordinator license, he shall submit

documentation to the "Department" evidencing that he is capable and competent to engage in the practice of emergency medical services. Such documentation shall include, but not be limited to, such information as the "Department" may deem appropriate at that time.

9. That this Consent Order shall remain in full force and effect pending further order of the "Department".



Edgar W. Batsford



Nikki Samaras Deary, Chief
Health Professions Regulation 1/29/02

Dated: _____

