

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY ARTS & SCIENCES  
OF THE STATE OF IOWA**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF:</b>	)	
	)	<b>CASE NO. 08-085</b>
<b>Radiant Skin &amp; Spa</b>	)	
<b>License No. 011311</b>	)	
<b>and</b>	)	<b>NOTICE OF HEARING</b>
<b>Sheryl Ruge</b>	)	<b>AND STATEMENT OF CHARGES</b>
<b>License No. 39624</b>	)	
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<b>RESPONDENT</b>	)	
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**COMES NOW** the Iowa Board of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences and files this Notice of Hearing pursuant to Iowa Code Sections 17A.12(2), 17A.18(3), and 645 Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) 11.6. Respondent was issued Iowa salon license no. 011311 on May 9, 2006. Above named Respondent is the owner of Respondent salon, Radiant Skin & Spa, located at 22 N. 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501. Respondent's salon license is current and will next expire on December 31, 2010. Respondent owner was issued a cosmetology license and an esthetic license, nos. 39624. Both licenses will expire on March 31, 2010.

**A. TIME, PLACE AND NATURE OF HEARING**

Hearing. A disciplinary contested case hearing shall be held on January 11, 2010 before the Board of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences. The hearing shall begin at 11:30 p.m. and shall be located in the Lucas State Office Building, Fifth Floor Conference Room 517/518, Des Moines, Iowa.

Answer. Within twenty (20) days of the date you are served this Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges you are required by 645 IAC 11.12 to file an Answer. The Answer should specifically admit, deny, or otherwise answer all allegations contained in sections C and D of this

Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges. Pleadings shall be filed with the Board at the following address: Board of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa, 50319.

Presiding Officer. The Board shall serve as presiding officer, but the Board may request an Administrative Law Judge make initial rulings on pre-hearing matters, and be present to assist and advise the board at hearing.

Hearing Procedures. The procedural rules governing the conduct of the hearing are found at 641 IAC chapter 11. At hearing, you may appear personally or be represented by legal counsel at your own expense. You will be allowed the opportunity to respond to the charges against you, to produce evidence on your behalf on issues of material fact, cross-examine witnesses present at the hearing, and examine and respond to any documents introduced at hearing. If you need to request an alternative time or date for hearing, you must comply with the requirements of 645 IAC 11.18. The hearing may be open to the public or closed to the public at your discretion.

Pre-hearing Conference. Any party may request a pre-hearing conference to discuss evidentiary issues related to the hearing. The Board's rules regarding pre-hearing conferences are contained at 645 IAC 11.17.

Prosecution. The Office of the Attorney General is responsible for representing the public interest (the State) in this proceeding. Copies of pleadings should be provided to counsel for the State at the following address: Jordan Esbrook, Assistant Attorney General, Iowa Attorney General's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hoover State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

Communications. You may not contact board members in any manner, including by phone, letter, or e-mail, about this Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges. Board members

may only receive information about the case when all parties have notice and an opportunity to participate, such as at the hearing or in pleadings you file with the Board office and serve upon all parties in the case.

## **B. LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION**

Jurisdiction. The Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Iowa Code Chapters 147, 157, and 272C.

Legal Authority. 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, 157, and 272C and 645 IAC chapter 65.

Default. 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 645 IAC 11.21.

## **C. SECTIONS OF STATUTES AND RULES INVOLVED**

### **COUNT I**

Respondent is charged with violating a regulation, rule, or law of this state pursuant to 645 IAC 65.2(13) by failing to post the salon license in the reception area at eye level in violation of 645 IAC 61.5(2) and by failing to post a copy of the most current sanitation rules in the reception area at eye level in violation of 645 IAC 63.2.

### **COUNT II**

Respondent is charged with violating a regulation, rule, or law of this state pursuant to 645 Iowa Administrative Code 65.2(13) by failing to properly clean and disinfect the whirlpool foot spas and properly maintain a spa cleaning log in violation of 645 Iowa

Administrative Code 63.25(2) - (5).

### **FACTUAL CIRCUMSTANCES**

1. During an investigation of Respondent salon on March 6, 2009, the investigator found the sanitation rules but the rules were not posted in the reception area. The individual licenses were not posted in the reception area at eye level.

2. During the investigation, the investigator found debris in the foot spa basin. The investigator was unable to inspect the spa screens because tools were not available to remove them. Screens were not being cleaned on a daily basis and the spas were not properly disinfected on a biweekly basis. The disinfectant solution or bleach was not being allowed to sit in the spa for six to ten hours, but was drained after ten minutes.

### **E. SETTLEMENT**

This matter may be resolved by settlement agreement. The procedural rules governing the Board's settlement process are found at 645 IAC Chapter 12. If you are interested in pursuing settlement of this matter, please contact Jordan Esbrook, Assistant Attorney General, at 515-281-7262.

### **F. PROBABLE CAUSE FINDING**

On the 5th day of October, 2009, the Iowa Board of Cosmetology Arts & Sciences found probable cause to file this Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges.

**This notice of hearing and statement of charges is approved by the board on November 5, 2009.**