

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TENNESSEE
NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT CLARKSVILLE**

LAURA COLMAN

PLAINTIFF,

V.

**BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL
EXAMINERS; Leslie Wereszczak in
her official capacity as Board Chair,
Montgomery McInturff, Cathryn Youmans,
Angela Zinkus, Mark Garrett, Sarah Spidel, and
Marissa Lee, in their official capacities as
members of the Board.**

DEFENDANTS.

Case No. MG-24-26

**Chancellor Kimberly Lund
Judge Kyle Atkins
Judge Michael Sharp**

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NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL

Pursuant to Rule 41.01 of the Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff Laura Colman ("Dr. Colman") provides notice to voluntarily dismiss her claims against Defendants without prejudice. The Tennessee Legislature recently passed, and the Governor signed into law, Senate Bill No. 128/House Bill No. 164 amending Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 4, Part 1 (Attached as Ex. 1). These amendments will allow licensed chiropractors with a certificate in animal chiropractic from the American Veterinary Chiropractic Association, or a similar curriculum approved by the board of chiropractic examiners, to apply to the board of chiropractic examiners for certification to perform animal chiropractic. Dr. Colman is a licensed chiropractor in the State of Tennessee and has a certificate in animal chiropractic from the American Veterinary Chiropractic Association. Complaint, ¶¶ 44-45.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on May 13, 2025, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via electronic mail to the following:

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Exhibit 1

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State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 304

SENATE BILL NO. 128

By Bailey, Bowling, Hatcher

Substituted for: House Bill No. 164

By Marsh, White, Sherrell, Hale, Brock Martin

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 63, relative to professions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-4-101(a)(1), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

() "Animal chiropractic":

(i) Means the evaluation and treatment of a non-human's vertebral or extremity joint dysfunction through spinal, joint, or musculoskeletal manipulative therapy and soft tissue therapy; and

(ii) Does not include:

(a) Performing surgery;

(b) Dispensing or administering of medications; or

(c) Performing veterinary medicine, as defined in § 63-12-103, other than the evaluation and treatment of a non-human's vertebral or extremity joint dysfunction through spinal, joint, or musculoskeletal manipulative therapy and soft tissue therapy;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 4, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The board shall adopt rules, pursuant to the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5, for:

(1) Regulating the performance of animal chiropractic;

(2) Establishing educational standards for certification of a chiropractic physician to perform animal chiropractic. The educational standards must include obtaining a certificate in animal chiropractic from the American Veterinary Chiropractic Association, or a similar curriculum approved by the board of chiropractic examiners; and

(3) Establishing health and sanitation standards for a facility where a chiropractic physician performs animal chiropractic and human patients are treated.

(b) A chiropractic physician may apply to the board for certification to perform animal chiropractic. An applicant for certification must:

(1) Provide the board with proof satisfactory to the board that the applicant

SENATE BILL NO. 128

PASSED: April 16, 2025



RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 2nd day of May 2025



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR