

B. Interruption of Practice.

4. PA Bristol interrupted her practice as a physician assistant beginning in 1998, while pregnant with her third child. She became a full time, stay-at-home mother and continued in this role for the next 9 years. In 2007, PA Bristol chose to return to practice. She had maintained her national certification as physician assistant without interruption and had maintained a current fund of knowledge through continuous review of professional journals and attendance at medical conferences.

C. Practice at the VA White River Junction Medical Center.

5. PA Bristol in 2007 interviewed for and was offered a position as a physician assistant at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Center in White River Junction. PA Bristol was to practice as a physician assistant in the primary care unit at the VA Medical Center, providing general medical care, preventive care, and management and evaluation of acute and chronic conditions.

6. With the approval and recommendation of the Board's Licensing Committee, PA Bristol entered into an agreement with the Vermont Board of Medical Practice governing her return to practice. The sole condition on PA Bristol's certification was the requirement that her supervising physician be identified by name and be subject to Board approval or disapproval and that her supervisor provide the Board with written quarterly reports regarding PA Bristol's performance as a physician assistant, specifically addressing her duties, strengths and weaknesses, and ability to practice safely and competently.

7. Since September 2007, all reporting to the Board regarding PA Bristol's practice and performance has been favorable and commendatory. No adverse reporting has been received. No concerns of any kind have been expressed regarding her practice skills or medical knowledge.

II. Request to Terminate Vermont Conditions.

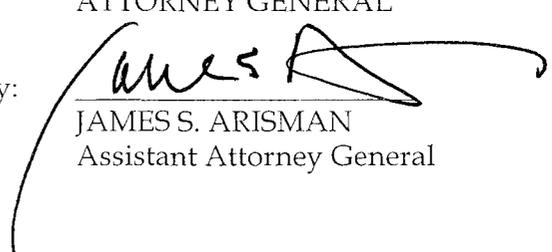
8. PA Bristol has petitioned the Vermont Board of Practice for termination of the conditions on her physician assistant certification. The Central Investigative Committee, to which this matter is assigned for monitoring, concurs with PA Bristol's petition for relief. The Committee recommends, in light of her successful return to practice at the VA Medical Center, that the Board terminate all conditions on her PA certification. The State concurs in the Committee's recommendation.

The State of Vermont, for the reasons set forth above, moves that the Vermont Board of Medical Practice approve PA Bristol's petition for relief and enter an order terminating all conditions upon her Vermont physician assistant certification.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 23rd day of April 2009.

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**STATE OF VERMONT
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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In re: Deborah Ann Bristol, PA-C

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NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

Approving physician's request for relief of conditions

Please take notice that an Order was issued and entered by the Vermont Board of Medical Practice on May 6, 2009, approving Respondent's request for relief of conditions on her physician assistant certification by a Stipulation and Consent Order effective September 5, 2007. The relief from conditions is effective May 6, 2009, leaving respondent with a full, unconditional license.

Dated: May 6, 2009

William E. Wargo
Director
Board of Medical Practice