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BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE  
VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

ARIZONA STATE VETERINARY  
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD )  
vs )  
DEVA KHALSA, VMD )

COMPLAINT NO. C-25-04

**CEASE AND DESIST  
ORDER**

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To: Deva Khalsa, VMD  
Address on file

The Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board ("Board") has reasonable cause to believe that you are practicing veterinary medicine or providing veterinary services to animals. A review of the Board's records reveals that you are not a licensed veterinarian. The Board has information that you are providing veterinary medical services to publicly owned animals in Arizona. Specifically, prescribing the antibiotic, Doxycycline, to "Jenkins," a pet that is privately owned and resides in Arizona. A veterinarian must be licensed in Arizona to provide veterinary medical services to publicly owned pets, including via electronic means.

Accordingly, if true, your conduct is a violation of A.R.S. § 32-2238, which states that a person who practices veterinary medicine or surgery, as defined in A.R.S. §32-2231, without a license and registration, who unlawfully assumes or advertises a veterinary title conveying the impression that the person is a lawful practitioner of veterinary medicine, or who violates any provision of the Veterinary Practice Act is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

By authority under A.R.S. § 32-2237 (E), if the Board has probable cause to believe that an unlicensed person is performing acts requiring licensure or violating the Veterinary Practice Act, it may do any or more of the following:

1. Issue a cease and desist order.
2. Request the county attorney or attorney general to file criminal charges against the person.

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- 1           3.       File an action in superior court to enjoin the person from engaging in the
- 2                           unlicensed practice of veterinary medicine.
- 3           4.       After notice and an opportunity for a hearing, impose a civil penalty of not more
- 4                           than one thousand dollars for each violation.

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6 **THE BOARD ISSUES THIS CEASE AND DESIST ORDER.** DEVA KHALSA, VMD shall cease from

7 engaging in the practice of veterinary medicine as defined in A.R.S. § 32-2231 or in any other

8 manner violating the Veterinary Practice Act. **WARNING:** Should you fail to comply with this

9 Cease and Desist Order at any time, the Board reserves the right to take any of the further legal

10 actions authorized under A.R.S. § 32-2237(E).

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12 **NOTICE:** Pursuant to section 41-1093.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, an agency shall limit all

13 occupational regulations to regulations that are demonstrated to be necessary to specifically

14 fulfill a public health, safety or welfare concern. Pursuant to sections 41-1093.02 and 41-1093.03,

15 Arizona Revised Statutes, you have the right to petition this agency to repeal or modify the

16 occupational regulation or bring an action in a court of general jurisdiction to challenge the

17 occupational regulation and to ensure compliance with section 41-1093.01, Arizona Revised

18 Statutes.

19 DATED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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22 ARIZONA STATE VETERINARY  
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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24 On behalf of the Board

25 By:     Victoria Whitmore  
          Executive Director  
          Arizona State Veterinary  
          Medical Examining Board

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**ORIGINAL** of the foregoing filed  
DATED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025 with:

*Arizona State Veterinarian Medical Examining Board  
1740 W. Adams St, Ste. 4600  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007*

**COPY** of the foregoing return receipt email  
DATED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025, to:

*Deva Khalsa, VMD  
Address on file*

**COPY** of the foregoing return receipt email  
DATED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025, to:

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