



# BOARD OF CERTIFICATION FOR THE ATHLETIC TRAINER

January 23, 2019

Jason Meharry  
[REDACTED]

Emmett, ID [REDACTED]

**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Dear Mr. Meharry:

Please be advised that the Board of Certification, Inc. (BOC) Professional Practice and Discipline Committee (Committee) has rendered the following decision with respect to the charge that you violated Code 3.10 of the Code of Professional Responsibility (COPR) section of the BOC Standards of Professional Practice.

In a Charge letter dated December 13, 2018, the BOC informed you that the Committee had determined that good cause existed to believe that you have violated Code 3.10 of the COPR section of the BOC Standards of Professional Practice based on the fact that, on or about October 22, 2018, you pled guilty to one (1) count of Sexual Misconduct With A Minor In The First Degree 9A.44.093 and were sentenced to nine (9) months of confinement and thirty-six (36) months Community Custody pursuant to 9.A4B.070.

**Factual Findings**

1. Beginning March 30, 2018, the BOC received news articles stating you had been booked on suspicion of three counts of first-degree sexual misconduct with a minor.
2. April 9, 2018, the BOC received a copy of the Clark County Sheriff's Office News Release stating you had been charged with three counts of Sexual Misconduct of a Minor 1<sup>st</sup> degree.
3. April 9, 2018, the BOC mailed you a Notice & Emergency Suspension Order via Certified mail. This letter was signed for as received April 11, 2018 by Steve Meharry. The BOC did not receive a response from you.
4. November 8, 2018, the BOC received a copy of your plea of guilty to one (1) count of Sexual Misconduct With a Minor In the First Degree and sentencing of nine (9) months of confinement and thirty-six (36) months Community Custody. The BOC mailed you a Consent Agreement for suspension of your certification as a resolution. This letter was sent via Certified Mail and was signed for as received November 16, 2018. The BOC did not receive a response from you.
5. December 13, 2018, the BOC mailed you a Charge letter via Certified mail. This letter was signed for as received December 17, 2018. The BOC did not receive a response from you.

**Conclusions**

The Committee has determined that these actions violate Code 3.10 of the COPR section of the BOC Standards of Professional Practice:

Code 3.10: Does not take any action that leads, or may lead, to the conviction, plea of guilty or plea of nolo contendere (no contest) to any felony, or to a misdemeanor related to public health, patient care, athletics or education. This includes, but is not limited to; rape, sexual abuse of a child or patient; actual or threatened use of a weapon of violence; the prohibited sale or distribution of controlled substance, or its possession with the intent to distribute; or the use of the position of an athletic trainer to improperly influence the outcome or score of an athletic contest or event or in connection with any gambling activity.



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As a result, the Committee has issued the following sanctions regarding your certification. Respondent's certification is Suspended. As a result, the Respondent is not authorized to do the following:

- a. Represent himself to the public as a practicing Certified Athletic Trainer or use the certification mark "ATC" following your name; or
- b. Serve as an item writer for the BOC certification exam; or
- c. Serve as a supervisor of students who are satisfying the athletic training requirements for certification eligibility.

Respondent may petition for reinstatement after suspension in accordance with Section 12 of the BOC Discipline Procedures. Such petition may be brought by Respondent no sooner than the completion of Respondent's sentence of three (3) years of Community Supervision.

Mr. Meharry, this matter will remain a part of your BOC certification file and may be used for the purpose of determining sanctions in any future matters that come before the BOC Professional Practice and Discipline Committee or other Disciplinary Panels. You have the right to appeal a decision made by the Committee. An appeal must be received by the BOC within thirty (30) days of receipt of this decision. The appeal must be written and addressed to the BOC Chief Executive Officer. For details regarding the appeal process, please see the enclosed procedures.

Sincerely,

Shannon Fleming, MA, ATC  
Director of Compliance & Regulatory Affairs

cc: BOC Professional Practice and Discipline Committee  
BOC Counsel