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Ms. Wanda Goodwin
Executive Director

Dear Doctor:

As you requested, I am enclosing an application for veterinary licensure in West Virginia. You will be informed, if you have an application on file, of the exact location of the next scheduled veterinary exams approximately 30 days prior to the examination date. We hold examinations for veterinary licensure in January (the second Monday) and June (the first Monday) each year. The West Virginia written exam is an open book exam on the practice act and rules and regulations of veterinary medicine in this state. You must also pass (scores must be transferred to WV from VIVA) the national board exam and the clinical competency test, or the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE). Regarding the NBE & CCT exams, the clinical competency test is required *only* for those who graduated in 1981 or thereafter. Passing scores on the national board exam, the clinical competency test and the NAVLE are **425** or greater. If you are a graduate of a foreign veterinary school not accredited by the AVMA, you must further satisfactorily complete the Education Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG) program.

As you expressed interest in a temporary permit, I further submit the following information.

A temporary permit to practice veterinary medicine may be granted at the board's discretion under the sponsorship of a veterinarian currently and fully licensed in West Virginia. The sponsor must be within physical proximity to you while practicing under a temporary permit, and your labors are limited to the practice of the licensed veterinarian. The fee for a temporary permit is \$100.00. The temporary permit fee and request letter(s) must accompany your completed veterinary license exam application and fee. The veterinary license application fee is **\$300.00**, plus **\$25.00** for a copy of the practice act and rules and regulations, (*which is also your study material for examination*), making the total for application filing and practice act **\$325.00**. You must submit an additional \$100.00 (**making the total \$425.00**), if applying for a temporary permit. Payment of the application and examination fee entitles you to sit for the next scheduled veterinary board exam.

Upon receipt of your completed application and the two letters requesting your temporary permit, determination will be made on the temporary permit request. These two letters (or one letter signed by both you and your sponsor veterinarian) are to state mutual agreement of your request for a temporary permit under a specified licensed veterinarian's sponsorship and supervision, and the sponsor veterinarian's agreement to sponsor you under this temporary permit pending your sitting for the state exam at the next offering after the application is filed. This letter(s) must bear original signatures. Faxed copies are not allowed. We ask that this letter or letters state the desired date for initiation of this temporary permit, which again, must be after the completed application is received by the board office. We can not proceed with a determination on your request if there are any required articles missing from your application.

Should the board approve your temporary permit, it may **not** be transferred to another sponsorship. A temporary permit is granted under continued sponsorship pending the next veterinary state examination.

Should you have any further questions not answered herein, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Wanda Goodwin