#### **August 2017 Public Board Actions List**

Georgia Composite Medical Board

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#### BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

#### STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

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GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

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SUSAN MILDRED HARDING, M.D.,

License No. 31013,

Respondent.

AUG 10 2017

DOCKET NUMBER:

#### BOARD ORDER TERMINATING PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

1.

The Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") entered a Public Consent Order ("Order") in the above-styled matter on or about February 7, 2013, Docket No. 20130030, which placed Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of Georgia under a public reprimand. On July 10, 2014, an Amended Public Consent Order was entered reinstating Respondent's prescribing rights.

2.

On or about July 27, 2017, the Board received a petition from the Respondent to terminate the Public Consent Order. The Board reviewed the petition and Respondent's compliance with the terms of the Order and determined Respondent has complied with the terms and conditions of probation.

Based on the foregoing, the Board hereby terminates the probation of Respondent's license. Respondent's license is returned to unrestricted status and is in good standing.

SO ORDERED, this day of August, 2017.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

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BY:

E. Daniel DeLoach, M.D.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

LaSharn Hughes, MBA

Interim Executive Director

#### BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

STATE OF GEORGIA

GEORGIA COMPOSITE
MEDICAL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF:

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AUG 1 0 2017

**DEBRA JOHNSON-JORDAN** 

License No. 032592

Respondent

DOCKET NO.:

DOCKET NUMBER:

#### PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and Debra Johnson-Jordan, M.D., Respondent, the following disposition of this matter is entered pursuant to the following provisions of the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, codified as O.C.G.A. § 50-13-13(a)(4).

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

Respondent is licensed to practice as a physician in Georgia and was so licensed at all times relevant to this matter.

2.

On or about December 14, 2015, Respondent entered a negotiated plea of guilty to one count of Tax Evasion in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7201, in the United States District Court, for the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division, Criminal Action No.: 1:15-CR-326-01-SCJ.

3.

On or about June 20, 2016, following a Motion to Reduce Defendant's Sentence Based on Substantial Assistance, Respondent was resentenced with the newly imposed sentence noted in part, as follows: 12 months' probation with the first 6 months on home confinement; restitution in the amount of \$464,432.00 to be paid in an amount of not less than \$150.00 per

month, plus 25% of gross income exceeding \$2,300 per month; one drug urinalysis within 15 days after being placed on probation and at least two periodic tests thereafter; DNA testing; no new credit charges or opening of additional lines of credit without approval of the probation officer; full and complete financial disclosure, including a financial audit; no possession of firearms; sixty (60) hours of community service; file all outstanding tax returns; and comply with other standard conditions of supervision. Said sentence was entered into in open court on or about June 20, 2016, in the United States District Court, for the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division, in USA v. Johnson-Jordan, 1:15-cr-00326-SCJ-RGV.

4.

Respondent waives any further findings of fact with respect to the above matter.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Respondent's conduct and her guilty plea agreement entered into with the United States District Court, for the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division, constitute sufficient grounds for the imposition of sanctions upon Respondent's license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia under O.C.G.A. Chs. 1 and 34, T. 43, <u>as amended</u>. Respondent hereby waives any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter.

#### **ORDER**

The Georgia Composite Medical Board, having considered the particular facts and circumstances of this case, hereby orders, and Respondent hereby agrees, that the following sanctions shall be imposed on Respondent's license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia.

The Respondent's license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia shall be subject to probation and the same terms and conditions as set forth in the June 20, 2016, plea agreement entered in <u>USA v. Johnson-Jordan</u>, 1:15-cr-00326-SCJ-RGV, in the United States District Court, for the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division.

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Respondent shall not be eligible to petition for lifting of the probation of her license until she has successfully complied with and completed all requirements of the aforementioned plea agreement, including the termination of her period of probation, as set forth in that plea agreement. At such time, Respondent may petition to lift the period of probation of her license by certifying under oath, before a notary public, that she has complied with all conditions of the plea agreement and conditions of probation, and by providing documentation from her probation officer that she has complied with all terms of her plea agreement, all of the conditions of her probation, and that her probation has been terminated. The Board shall review and evaluate the practice of Respondent prior to lifting the suspension. Should the Board determine that reasonable cause exists for maintaining Respondent's license on probation, the Board shall notify Respondent of its intent to extend the period of probation, and Respondent may respond to such notification in writing or request an appearance before the Board or its representative as in a noncontested case. In any event, this Consent Order shall remain in effect pending a final determination by the Board and notification that the probation has been lifted.

3.

In addition to, and in conjunction with any other sanction contained herein, this Consent Order and dissemination thereof, shall serve as a public reprimand of Respondent by the Board.

Respondent understands that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapter 34A, the contents of this order shall be placed on her Physician Profile. Furthermore, by executing this Consent

Order, Respondent hereby agrees to permit the Board to update the Physician's Profile reflecting this Consent Order.

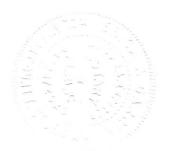
5.

Respondent acknowledges that she has read this Consent Order and understands its contents. Respondent understands that she has the right to appear before the Board in this matter, and freely, knowingly and voluntarily waives such right by entering into this Consent Order. Respondent understands that this Consent Order will not become effective until approved and docketed by the Board. Respondent further understands and agrees that a representative of the Department of Law may be present during presentation of this Consent Order to the Board and that the Board shall have the authority to review the investigative file and all relevant evidence in considering this Consent Order. Respondent further understands that this Consent Order, once approved, shall constitute a public record that may be disseminated as a disciplinary action of the Board. However, if the Consent Order is not approved, it shall not constitute an admission against interest in this proceeding or prejudice the right of the Board to adjudicate this matter. Respondent consents to the terms and conditions contained herein.

Approved, this 10th	day of lugust, 2017.
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before me this 20th day	
of July, 2017	

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: 04-26-20



#### BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

#### STATE OF GEORGIA

MEDICAL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF:

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AUG 10 2017

KIMBERLY ROSE PINTO,

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**DOCKET NO.:** 

DOCKET NUMBER:

Applicant.

## PUBLIC, NON-DISCIPLINARY CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and Kimberly Rose Pinto ("Applicant"), the following disposition of this matter is entered pursuant to O.C.G.A. T. 43, Ch. 1 and Ch. 34.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1

Applicant was initially licensed as a physician assistant in the State of Georgia or about February 2, 2006 and issued license no. 4714. Applicant's license expired on or about January 31, 2014, subsequently lapsed, and was revoked by operation of law for non-renewal.

2.

On or about June 5, 2017, Applicant submitted an application for reinstatement of her license to practice as a physician assistant in the State of Georgia under the supervision of Rhonda Wachsmuth, M.D. In her application, Applicant explained that she let her license lapse in 2014 because she had stopped working as a PA in December 2011, and now seeks to return to practice.

3.

Applicant admits to the above-styled findings of fact and waives any further findings of fact not already contained in this Agreement.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Reinstatement of Applicant's license to practice medicine as a physician assistant in Georgia under O.C.G.A. Ch. 34, T. 43, <u>as amended</u>, is within the sole discretion of the Board. The Applicant hereby waives any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter.

#### **ORDER**

The Board, having considered the particular facts and circumstances of this case, hereby orders, and Applicant hereby agrees as follows:

1.

Applicant's license to practice as a physician assistant shall be reinstated subject to the following terms and conditions:

(a) Shadowing Hours. Prior to seeing patients on her own, Applicant shall "shadow" her supervising physician for 240 hours. Applicant shall maintain a contemporaneous log documenting the 240 hours completed, and the log shall include the date, number of hours worked on each date, and the signature of the supervising physician. Applicant shall provide the log to the Board upon completion of the 240 hours. The Board will then review the log and notify the Applicant of its approval for unrestricted licensed practice. If not approved, the Board will notify the Applicant of its decision and the Applicant may appear before the Board or a committee thereof as in a non-contested case. In any event, this requirement shall remain in place until the Board approves unrestricted practice by Applicant.

Failure to complete the hours within one (1) year shall result in the withdrawal of approval of Applicant's current supervising physician and Applicant's license will be shown as

inactive on the Board's website until such time as the Board approves a new supervising physician under any terms and conditions deemed necessary at the time.

- (b) Quarterly Reports from Supervising Physician. Prior to beginning employment, Applicant shall provide a docketed copy of this Agreement to her supervising physician. Applicant submit or cause to be submitted quarterly reports to the Board from Applicant's supervising physician regarding Applicant's performance and competency as a physician assistant by March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each calendar year. Failure to submit or have such reports submitted in a timely manner shall be considered a violation of this Agreement. It is expected that the supervising physician shall immediately report any concerns regarding Applicant's performance that would render the Applicant unable to practice medicine as a physician assistant with reasonable skill and safety. Any evidence that indicates that the Applicant is unable to practice medicine as a physician assistant with reasonable skill and safety may result in disciplinary action, including revocation, upon substantiation thereof. By executing this Agreement, Applicant specifically consents to Applicant's supervising physician reporting issues relating to Applicant's practice of medicine, notwithstanding any privilege provided by state or federal law. All reports required under this Agreement shall be sent to the Georgia Composite Medical Board, to the attention of the Compliance Officer, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W. 36th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303.
- (c) <u>Change of Address or Employment.</u> Applicant shall advise the Board of any change in Applicant's address of record or employment status within one week to ten (10) days of the change.
- (d) <u>Abide by laws</u>. Applicant shall abide by all State and Federal, the Rules and Regulations of the Georgia Composite Medical Board, and the terms of this Agreement. If

Applicant fails to abide by such laws, rules or terms, or if it should appear from the quarterly reports submitted to the Board that Applicant is otherwise unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety to patients, Applicant's license shall be subject to discipline, including summary suspension and/or revocation, upon substantiation thereof.

(e) Petition for Termination. No sooner than one (1) year from the effective date of this Agreement, Applicant may petition the Board in writing to terminate this Agreement. The petition shall include a letter of advocacy from Applicant's supervising physician as to Applicant's level of competency as a physician assistant. The Board shall review and evaluate the practice of Applicant prior to terminating the Agreement. At such time, should the Board determine that reasonable cause exists for maintaining Applicant's license under the terms of this Agreement, the Board shall notify Applicant of its decision, and Applicant may respond to such notice in writing or request an appearance before the Board as in a non-contested case. In any event, this Consent Agreement shall remain in effect pending a final determination by the Board and notification that all limitations have been lifted.

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This Agreement and its dissemination shall constitute a public record of the Board, but shall not be considered a disciplinary action by the Board.

3.

Approval of this Agreement by the Board shall not be construed as a waiver of any lawful rights possessed by the Board.

4.

Applicant acknowledges that Applicant has read this Consent Agreement and understands its contents. Applicant understands that Applicant has a right to appear before the Board in this

matter, and Applicant freely, knowingly, and voluntarily waives that right by entering into this Agreement. Applicant understands that this Agreement will not become effective until approved by the Board and docketed by the Executive Director. Applicant further understands and agrees that a representative of the Department of Law may be present during the presentation of this Agreement to the Board and that the Board shall have the authority to review the Applicant's application for licensure and any additional information submitted for its review or otherwise obtained by the Board in considering this Agreement. Applicant consents to the terms and conditions contained herein.

Approved, this day of fynd 2017

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

E. DANIEL DELOACH, MD.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

BY:

LASHARN HUGHES

Interim Executive Director

CONSENTED TO:

KIMBERLY ROSE PINTO

Respondent

[AS TO APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE ONLY:]

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This  $7^{+h}$  day of August, 20

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My Commission Expires:

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# BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF:

Respondent.

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AUG 10 2017

PETER FOLEY RIZZO, M.D.,

License No. 38079,

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DOCKET NUMBER:

#### **PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER**

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and PETER FOLEY RIZZO, M.D. ("Respondent"), the following disposition of the matter is entered into pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 50-13-13 (a) (4), <u>as amended.</u>

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

Respondent is licensed to practice medicine in the State of Georgia and was licensed as such at all times relevant to the matters stated herein. Respondent is also licensed as a physician in the State of New York.

2.

On or about September 10, 2015, the Respondent entered into a Consent Agreement ("NY Order") with the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. The NY Order censured and reprimanded Respondent's medical license, and placed it on probation subject to terms and conditions.

3.

Respondent acknowledges the existence of the NY Order but disputes the allegations and conclusions therein. Respondent states he is currently challenging the manner of representation by his previous New York counsel through litigation. Respondent further acknowledges that under Georgia law the Board has the right to take action Page 1 of 5

in this matter solely based on the NY Order.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Disciplinary action in another state in and of itself constitutes sufficient grounds for the imposition of discipline upon Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of Georgia pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 43-34-8(a) (5), <u>as amended</u>. Respondent waives any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter.

#### **ORDER**

Based on the foregoing, the Georgia Composite Medical Board hereby orders, and Respondent hereby agrees, to the following:

1.

Beginning on the effective date of this Order, Respondent's Georgia medical license shall be placed on a period of probation, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- (a) Reports and Information to Board. If any reports are required under the NY Order, they shall also be submitted to the Board. Evidence of satisfaction of the clinical competency assessment and continuing education required under the NY Order shall be submitted to the Board within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Order or completion of the continuing education, whichever is later. If Respondent's license is suspended in New York for failure to comply with the NY Order, Respondent's Georgia license shall be summarily suspended, pending further proceedings.
- (b) <u>Notice of Modification.</u> Respondent shall notify the Board in writing if and when probation is modified or terminated by the New York State Board. The Board reserves the right to modify this Consent Order to mirror any modifications of the NY Order following notice to Respondent and his opportunity to be heard by the Board as in a non-contested case.

- (c) <u>Change of Address or Employment.</u> Respondent shall notify the Board in writing of any change in address of employment within 10 days of the change. If Respondent relocates to Georgia and practices medicine in Georgia, he shall notify the Board of his intent to do so no less than 90 days prior to relocation. At such time, if Respondent's license remains subject to probationary terms and conditions in New York such as, but not limited to, practice under monitoring by a Board approved physician and completion of preceptorship, the Board may, in its discretion, issue a modification to this Order and require Respondent to practice under additional similar terms and conditions to ensure his safe practice in Georgia.
- (d) <u>Termination of Probation.</u> Respondent may petition the Board in writing to terminate probation in Georgia when probation is terminated by the New York State Board. Respondent's petition shall include evidence of termination of probation in New York. Any decision regarding Respondent's petition shall be in the discretion of the Board, which shall not be unreasonably withheld if Respondent has complied with the terms of his New York Order and otherwise meets the criteria for licensure under Georgia law.
- (e) Abide by Laws, Rules, and Orders. Respondent shall abide by all State and Federal laws regulating his practice as a physician, the Rules and Regulations of the Georgia Composite Medical Board, and the terms of this Consent Order and the NY Order. If Respondent shall fail to abide by such laws, rules or terms, or if it should appear to the Board that Respondent is otherwise unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety to patients, Respondent's license shall be subject to further discipline, including revocation, upon substantiation thereof after notice and hearing, and if revoked, the Board in its discretion may determine that the license shall be permanently revoked and not subject to reinstatement. Respondent further agrees that any violation of this Consent Order shall be deemed to be

sufficient to authorize the Board to order summary suspension of Respondent's license, pending further proceedings, pursuant to the provisions of the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-13-18(c)(1), or any other statute authorizing emergency action, but Respondent understands that Respondent shall be entitled to an expedited hearing to substantiate such violation(s), if the Board exercises such right.

2.

This Consent Order shall constitute and may be disseminated as a public order of the Board.

3.

Respondent understands that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapter 34A the contents of this Order and the New York Order shall be placed on Respondent's Physician Profile.

Furthermore, by executing this Consent Order, Respondent hereby agrees to permit the Board to update the Physician Profile reflecting the orders.

4.

Approval of this Consent Order by the Georgia Composite Medical Board shall not be construed as a waiver of any of the lawful rights possessed by the Board. This Consent Order shall not become effective until approved and docketed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board.

5.

Respondent acknowledges that he is represented by counsel and that he has read this Consent Order and understands its contents. Respondent understands that he has a right to a hearing, in addition to the concluded investigative meeting with a Board subcommittee, and freely, knowingly, and voluntarily waives that right. Respondent understands that the

Consent Order will not become effective until approved and docketed by the Georgia

Composite Medical Board. Respondent further understands that the Board shall have the
authority to review the investigative file and all relevant evidence in considering the Consent

Order. Respondent further understands that the Consent Order, once approved, and its
dissemination shall constitute a public record evidencing disciplinary action. However, if the
Consent Order is not approved, it shall not constitute an admission against interest in the
proceeding, or prejudice the right of the Board to adjudicate the matter. Respondent consents
to the terms and conditions contained herein.

Approved, this 10th day of lugust, 2017.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

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BY:

E. DANIEL DELOACH, M.D.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

ASHARN HUGHES

Interim Executive Director

CONSENTED TO:

PETER FOLEY RIZZO, M.D

Respondent

CLAUDIA TAGLIAFERRI Notary Public, State of New York No. 01TA6049656 Qualified in Westchester County Term Expires October 23, 2018

[As to Respondent's signature only:] Sworn to and subscribed before me This and day of August, 2017

Claudia Lagellaferri

**NOTARY PUBLIC** 

My commission expires: Oct. 23, 2018

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#### BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

#### STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

\* GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

\* AUG 1 0 2017

License No. 053325, \* DOCKET NUMBER:
Respondent. \* 2018 000 7

#### PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and Jason Lee Sevald, M.D. ("Respondent"), the following disposition of the matter is entered into pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 50-13-13 (a) (4), as amended.

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1

Respondent was licensed to practice medicine in the State of Georgia on or about June 6, 2003, and his license currently expires December 31, 2017. Respondent is also licensed as a physician in Florida, the state where his address of record.

2.

On or about June 17, 2016, the Florida Board of Medicine ("Florida Board") issued a Final Order imposing a fine of \$10,000, costs, and continuing education requirements on Respondent based on a finding that Respondent failed to appropriately treat a patient in 2010 who had overdosed on medication. Rather than conduct the appropriate diagnostic tests, the Florida Board found that Respondent had discharged the patient early for incarceration where the patient subsequently went into cardiac arrest.

3.

Respondent admits the above findings of fact and waives any further findings of fact with respect to the above-styled matter.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's conduct and disciplinary action in Florida constitutes sufficient grounds for the imposition of discipline upon his license to practice medicine in the State of Georgia pursuant to O.C.G.A. Chs. 1 and 34, T. 43, <u>as amended</u>. Respondent waives any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter.

#### ORDER

The Georgia Composite Medical Board, having considered the particular facts and circumstances of the case, hereby orders, and Respondent hereby agrees, to the following:

1.

The Respondent shall comply with and be subject to all conditions of the Final Order with the Florida Board, including the compliance with all the continuing education requirements. Should the Florida Board enter an Order suspending or revoking Respondent's license in Florida for violation of the conditions imposed by such Board, then Respondent's license to practice medicine in Georgia shall stand automatically suspended, effective on the date of such order, pending proceedings for revocation, and if the license is revoked, the Georgia Board may determine that the license shall not be subject to restoration.

2.

Respondent shall submit to the Board a fine of \$1,000.00 to be paid in full by cashier's check or money order made payable to the Georgia Composite Medical Board within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Consent Order. Failure to pay the entire amount by the 30th day shall be considered a violation of this Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, including revocation, upon substantiation thereof.

This Consent Order shall constitute a public order and may be disseminated by the Board as a public disciplinary action.

4.

Respondent understands that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapter 34A the contents of this Order shall be placed on Respondent's Physician Profile. Furthermore, by executing this Consent Order, Respondent hereby agrees to permit the Board to update the Physician Profile reflecting all the other disciplinary orders the Respondent has reported to the Board.

5.

Respondent acknowledges that he has read this Consent Order and understands its contents. Respondent understands that he has a right to a hearing, and freely, knowingly, and voluntarily waives that right. Respondent understands that the Consent Order will not become effective until approved and docketed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board. Respondent further understands that the Board shall have the authority to review the investigative file and all relevant evidence in considering the Consent Order. Respondent further understands that the Consent Order, once approved, and its dissemination shall constitute a public record. However, if the Consent Order is not approved, it shall not constitute an admission against interest in the proceeding, or prejudice the right of the Board to adjudicate the matter. Respondent consents to the terms and conditions contained herein.



Approved, this 10 day of August, 2017.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

BY:

E. DANIEL DELOACH, M.D.

Chairperson

ATTEST: Du John John Marin Hugher Executive Director

**CONSENTED TO:** 

JASON LEE SEVALD, M.D.

Respondent

[AS TO SIGNATURE OF JASON LEE SEVALD ONLY:]

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This B day of July

. 2017

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ROBERT ADAMS JR Notary Public - State of Florida Commission # FF 236329 My Comm. Expires Sep 26, 2019 Bonded through National Notary Assn.

### BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

	STATE OF GEORGIA		GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF:	)		AUG 2 2 2017
PETER JOHN ULBRICH, MD,	)	DOCKET NO.:	DOCKET NUMBER:
License No. 028696,	)		2018 0008
Respondent,	)		

#### ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION

1.

WHEREAS, Respondent is licensed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") to practice medicine in the State of Georgia. Respondent was issued a license on August 6, 1986, and Respondent's license expires on February 28, 2019.

2.

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2010, a Consent Order was entered and Respondent's license was suspended following the Board's receipt of results of a mental/physical examination performed by a Board approved provider; the results of the examination included Respondent's admission to having engaged in boundary violations with patients, and a recommendation that Respondent complete a treatment program in a facility familiar with professionals who have engaged in sexual misconduct prior to returning to the practice of medicine. *In the Matter of Peter John Ulbrich, M.D., License No. 028696, Before the Georgia Composite Medical Board*, Docket No. 10100039 (April 1, 2010).

3.

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2011, the Board entered Public Consent Order lifting the suspension of Respondent's license and placing it on a period of probation, subject to terms and conditions. *In the Matter of Peter John Ulbrich, M.D., License No. 028696, Before the Georgia Composite Medical Board*, Docket No. 10100039 (March 10, 2011).

In the aforementioned Public Consent Order, the terms of probation included, among other things, Respondent's continued participation in outpatient treatment at the Behavioral Medicine Institute of Atlanta, Inc. ("BMI") to include individual psychotherapy, professional sexual misconduct group therapy, polygraph examinations, supervising and monitoring physicians, quarterly reports to the Board, use of a female chaperone with all female patients, restrictions on work hours and use of midlevel providers, a fine and administrative costs, and a public reprimand.

5.

WHEREAS, on or about May 8, 2015, the Board issued an Order terminating Respondent's probation, after determining that Respondent had complied with all the terms of probation. *In the Matter of Peter John Ulbrich, M.D., License No. 028696, Before the Georgia Composite Medical Board,* Docket No. 10100039 (May 8, 2015).

6.

WHEREAS, in or about 2016, the Board received a complaint that on or about September 6, 2016, during an office visit, Respondent made inappropriate comments to a female patient, touched the patient's thighs when discussing liposuction, and pressed his crotch against the patient's knee.

7.

WHEREAS, after reviewing the results of an investigation concerning the 2016 complaint, on or about June 21, 2017, the Board issued a confidential Order for Mental/Physical Examination, requiring Respondent to obtain an examination within 7 days with Board approved physician(s) with expertise in the area of professional sexual misconduct and/or professional boundary issues.

8.

WHEREAS, on or about August 11, 2017, the Board received the results of Respondent's mental/physical examination. The examination results included but were not limited to the

following: that Respondent demonstrated deception during a polygraph examination administered as part of the mental/physical examination regarding Respondent's engaging in sexual encounters with current and former patients; that after failing the polygraph, Respondent disclosed that he had sexual contact with four (4) former female patients since leaving treatment at BMI in 2015; that Respondent disclosed an additional individual during the post polygraph interview; and that Respondent prescribes medication to his current girlfriend. The report particularly noted that there was no evidence to support Respondent's self-report that he did not overlap in the providing of medical treatment and the development of sexual or romantic feelings with these individuals.

8.

WHEREAS, the evaluator(s) expressed "high concern" specifically regarding Respondent's interactions with two of the women whom Respondent continues to actively treat, noting close timeframe between the relationships and the medical treatment. Regardless of the timing of overlap between relationships and medical treatment, the evaluator(s) opined that Respondent's behavior in light of his prior history of sexual misconduct is a relapse. The evaluators concluded that, with a reasonable degree of medical and psychiatric certainty, Respondent does pose a significant safety threat to his patients and/or staff related to professional sexual misconduct at this time without engaging in treatment.

NOW THERFORE, the Board finds that Respondent's continued practice of medicine poses a threat to the public health, safety, and welfare and imperatively requires emergency action and hereby ORDERS that Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of Georgia be and is hereby SUMMARILY SUSPENDED pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-18(c)(1), pending further proceedings on behalf of the Board, which shall be promptly instituted.

If Respondent wishes to have an expedited hearing, Respondent shall execute, file and serve

the Request for Expedited Hearing attached to this Order no later than fourteen (14) days from the day of service or receipt of this Order. *The failure of Respondent to request an expedited hearing in the aforementioned time period shall not be construed as a waiver of the right to a hearing in this matter.* 

If Respondent wishes to have a hearing specially set after a specific date or after a particular occurrence, Respondent shall execute, file and serve the Request for Specially Set Hearing attached to this Order. The failure of Respondent to request a specially set hearing shall not be construed as a waiver of the right to a hearing in this matter.

This Order is signed and attested by the Interim Executive Director on behalf of the Georgia Composite Medical Board.

This 2/4 day of August, 2017.

#### GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

E. DANIEL DELOACH, MD Chairperson

BOARD SHARE

Interim Executive Director

PLEASE DIRECT CORRESPONDENCE TO: BETSY D. COHEN Assistant Attorney General 40 Capitol Square, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30334 (404) 463-9778 bcohen@law.ga.gov

## BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:
PETER JOHN ULBRICH, MD, DOCKET NO.: License No. 028696, Nespondent,
REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED HEARING
I, Peter John Ulbrich, M.D., Respondent, having been served with the Order of Summary
Suspension by the Georgia Composite Medical Board, do hereby request an expedited hearing.
reserve the right to file a response to the Notice of Hearing in this matter.
This day of, 20
PETER JOHN ULBRICH, M.D. Respondent
( ) I am/will be represented by counsel
Name of counsel, if known at this time:
THIS REQUEST MUST BE FILED AT: GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD 2 Peachtree Street, NW 36th Floor

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

A COPY MUST BE SERVED ON: BETSY D. COHEN Assistant Attorney General 40 Capitol Square, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30334

# BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:
PETER JOHN ULBRICH, MD, License No. 028696, Respondent,  )  DOCKET NO.:
REQUEST FOR SPECIALLY SET HEARING
I, Peter John Ulbrich, M.D., Respondent, having been served with the Order of
Summary Suspension by the Georgia Composite Medical Board, do hereby request a specially
set hearing, to be scheduled after the following date or occurrence:
I
reserve the right to file a response to the Notice of Hearing in this matter.
This day of, 20
PETER JOHN ULBRICH, M.D. Respondent
( ) I am/will be represented by counsel
Name of counsel, if known at this time:
THIS REQUEST MUST BE FILED AT: GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD 2 Peachtree Street, NW 36 <sup>th</sup> Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30303
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