## **December 2015 Public Board Actions List**

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LICENSEE'S NAME  1. Douglas R. White, MD	LICENSE NUMBER 029557	PROFESSION Physician	ACTION TAKEN Amendment to Public Consent Order
2. Paul E.L. Allen, MD	028490	Physician	Letter of Suspension
3. Leonard Gyebi, MD	060378	Physician	Public Board Order
4. Shinkweon Park	000236	Acupuncture	Final Decision

# BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

STATE OF GEORGIA

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF:

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DOUGLAS R. WHITE, M.D., License No. 29557,

Respondent.

DOCKET NUMBER:

## AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, on or about March 1, 2012, Douglas R. White, M.D. ("Respondent") entered into a Public Consent Order ("Order") with the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board"), Docket Number 10100043, which subjected his license to a period of probation with terms and conditions. One term restricted Respondent's use of midlevel providers and provided that after one year, Respondent may petition the Board to lift this restriction.

WHEREAS, on or about November 17, 2015, the Board received a request from Respondent to allow him to supervise midlevel providers. Respondent's request was supported by his monitoring and supervising physicians.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board hereby amends the Public Consent Order as follows:

1.

Order, Paragraph 1(g) on page 6 of the Public Consent Order entitled "Use of Physician Assistant or Nurse Practitioner" shall be lifted.

2.

Except as provided herein, the Respondent's license shall remain subject to all of the remaining terms and conditions as set forth in the Public Consent Order of March 1, 2012 and amendments thereto. A violation of this Amendment to Public Consent Order shall be considered a violation of a lawful order of the Board as if it were a violation of the March 1, 2012 Public Consent Order.

This Amendment to Public Consent Order shall become effective upon its acceptance by the Georgia Composite Medical Board and its docketing by the Executive Director of the Georgia Composite Medical Board.

Accepted this 11th day of December, 2015.

## GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

(BOARD SEAL)

BY:

LICE HOUSE, M.I

Chairperson

ATTEST:

ROBERT JEFFERY
Interim Executive Director

# GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

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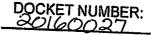
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**GEORGIA COMPOSITE** MEDICAL BOARD

December 16, 2015

DEC 16 2015

Paul E.L. Allen, MD



Dear Dr. Allen:

Our office has received notification from the appropriate public authority that you are noncompliant with the terms of your Child Support Order.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A §§ 43-1-19(a) (11), 43-34-8(a) (22), and 19-11-9.3, your license is immediately SUSPENDED and will remain suspended until notice is received from the appropriate agency that you are in compliance with your obligations. If you need further information, please contact Betsy Cohen, Staff Attorney, by telephone at 404-657-3194 or via email at bcohen@dch.ga.gov.

ROBERT JEFFERY

Interim Executive Director

RJ/bdc

Sincerely

# BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

#### STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

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DEC 08 2015

License No. 60378,
Respondent.

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GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

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DEC 08 2015

DOCKET NUMBER:

#### **PUBLIC BOARD ORDER**

WHEREAS, on or about July 9, 2009, a Public Consent Order ("Order") was docketed in the above-referenced matter. The Order required Leonard Gyebi, M.D. ("Respondent") to complete his physician profile and pay a fine;

WHEREAS, on or about September 14, 2010, a Public Order Terminating Terms was docketed in this matter, indicating that the Board determined that Respondent complied with the terms of the July 9, 2009 Order and ordering that the terms of Respondent's license be terminated; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the Board's attention that although Respondent's license was never cancelled and the licensure status remained "active" at all times, there may be a perception that Respondent's license, rather than the terms of the Order, was terminated on September 14, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board hereby enters this Order clarifying that the September 14, 2010 Public Order Terminating Terms did not cancel or terminate Respondent's license, and that Respondent's license remained active and in good standing following the entry of the September 14, 2010 order, which was entered to reflect compliance and termination of the July 9, 2009 Order.

SO ORDERED, this gth day of DECEMBER, 2015.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

(BOARD SEAL)

ATTEST:

ROBERT JEFFER Executive Director

Chairperson

# BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD
SHINKWEON PARK, License No. 000236,	)	DEC 08 2015
Respondent.	)	DOCKET NUMBER:

#### FINAL DECISION

This matter is before the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("the Board") on the issue of whether the Board has authority under O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19 and 43-34-8 to discipline Respondent's license to practice acupuncture in the State of Georgia. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-13, Respondent was provided with a hearing on this issue before the Board on December 3, 2015, and Respondent was present at the hearing via telephone. The Board has considered all the evidence presented and issues this final agency decision in this matter.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1.

Respondent is currently licensed to practice acupuncture in the State of Georgia and was licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted herein. Respondent was licensed on February 5, 2009 and is currently licensed. (Testimony of Robert Jeffery).

2.

On or about December 22, 2014, Respondent pled guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit health care fraud in the United States District Court, Northern District of Georgia, Case number 1:13cr490-TWT. Respondent was sentenced to 33 months of imprisonment followed by three years of supervised release and restitution of \$1,180,166. (State's Exhibit 1, certified copy of Judgment in a Criminal Case, Case No. 1:13cr490-TWT; Testimony of Respondent).

Respondent filed an Answer to the Notice of Hearing in this matter, which is part of the record in this matter, and the Board considered Respondent's Answer. The Respondent was also sworn and provided testimony during the hearing including but not limited to the following: Respondent admitted that he has held and continues to hold a license. Respondent testified about his version of underlying facts of the conviction and admitted to billing for services he did not render. Respondent admitted that he pled guilty to the federal charges and was sentenced to 33 months in custody followed by 3 years of supervised release and restitution of over \$1 million dollars. He also admitted to performing procedures that were only to be done by a physician and not an acupuncturist.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 43-34-8(a), the Board may revoke Respondent's license to practice acupuncture based upon a finding that Respondent has:

- (3) Been convicted of a felony in the courts of this state or any other state, territory, country, or of the United States. As used in this paragraph, the term "conviction of a felony" shall include a conviction of an offense which if committed in this state would be deemed a felony under either state or federal law, without regard to its designation elsewhere. As used in this paragraph, the term "conviction" shall include a finding or verdict of guilt, a plea of guilty resulting in first offender status, or a plea of nolo contendere in a criminal proceeding, regardless of whether the adjudication of guilt or sentence is withheld or not entered thereon;
- (4) Committed a crime involving moral turpitude, without regard to conviction; the conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude shall be evidence of the commission of such crime. As used in this paragraph, the term "conviction" shall have the meaning prescribed in paragraph (3) of this subsection. For the purpose of this chapter, a conviction or plea of guilty or of nolo contendere to a charge or indictment by either federal or state government for income tax evasion shall not be considered a crime involving moral turpitude;

. . .

(7) Engaged in any unprofessional, unethical, deceptive, or deleterious conduct or practice harmful to the public, which conduct or practice need not have resulted in actual injury to any person. As used in this paragraph, the term "unprofessional conduct" shall include any departure from, or failure to conform to, the minimum standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice and shall also include, but not be limited to, the prescribing or use of drugs, treatment, or diagnostic procedures which are detrimental to the patient as determined by the minimum standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice or by rule of the board;

. . .

- (10) Violated or attempted to violate a law, rule, or regulation of this state, any other state, the board, the United States, or any other lawful authority without regard to whether the violation is criminally punishable, which law, rule, or regulation relates to or in part regulates the practice of medicine, when the licensee or applicant knows or should know that such action is violative of such law, rule, or regulation; or violated a lawful order of the board, previously entered by the board in a disciplinary hearing; [or]
- (11) Committed any act or omission which is indicative of bad moral character or untrustworthiness . . . .

The Board is authorized, upon finding that any person should be disciplined under § 43-34-8(a), to take the following action: (F) Revoke any license, certificate, or permit;

Respondent's conduct in falsifying records for Medicare and his criminal conviction for health care fraud constitutes a conviction of a felony, a crime involving moral turpitude, unprofessional conduct, and a violation of a law, rule or regulation of this State and/or the United States which relates to the practice of acupuncture and impacts Respondent's continued fitness to hold an active license to practice acupuncture.

## <u>ORDER</u>

As a result of having considered the particular facts, circumstances, law and evidence in this particular case, the Board finds that grounds for discipline exist and the Board hereby

revokes Respondent's license to practice acupuncture in the State of Georgia.

IT IS **SO ORDERED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2015.

# GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

**ALICE HOUSE, M.I** 

Chairperson

(BOARD SEAL)

ROBERT JEFFE

Interim Executive Director