October 2019 Public Board Actions List

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BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

MICHAEL SAMMY DeEN, M.D.,
License No. 058459

* DOCKET NO.: SEP 30 2019

* DOCKET NUMBER: 2020-06030

AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER FOR REINSTATEMENT

WHEREAS, on or about August 2, 2018, Michael Sammy Deen, M.D. ("Dr. Deen") entered into a Public Consent Order for Reinstatement, Docket No.: 20190002 ("Order") with the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board"), which granted Dr. Deen a license to practice medicine in the State of Georgia subject to a period of probation with terms and conditions;

WHEREAS, the Order sets forth probationary terms under paragraph 1(b) requiring Dr. Deen to practice with direct supervision; paragraph 1(c) requiring Dr. Deen to submit proctor reports; and paragraph 1(g) requiring Dr. Deen to complete a Board approved live, in-person Family Medicine Board Review course of forty (40) hours, including three (3) in pharmacology; and a medical records course consisting of a minimum of ten (10) hours.

WHEREAS, Dr. Deen also seeks to reinstate his DEA certification and is not under any Board ordered restrictions for his DEA certification.

WHEREAS, on or about June 26, 2019, Dr. Deen petitioned the Board to lift the restrictions contained in paragraphs 1(b), 1(c), and 1(g) of the Order, and provided evidence of completion of the terms and conditions contained therein.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board hereby modifies the Order as follows:

1. Paragraph 1(b) is lifted such that there is no longer a requirement for the direct supervision of Dr. Deen in the practice of medicine.

2. Paragraph 1(c) is lifted such that there is no longer a requirement for proctor reports.

3. Paragraph 1(g) is lifted such that there is no longer a requirement for additional CME’s in addition to the required CME’s for license renewal. Dr. Deen must ensure that the required CME’s for license renewal are completed upon submission of a renewal application.

4. There are no Board ordered restrictions against Dr. Deen’s DEA certification.
5. Except as provided herein, Dr. Deen’s license shall remain on probation and subject to all of the remaining terms and conditions as set forth in the Public Consent Order for Reinstatement, Docket No.: 20190002. A violation of this Amendment to Public Consent Order for Reinstatement shall be considered a violation of a lawful order of the Board as if it were a violation of the August 2, 2018 Public Consent Order for Reinstatement.

6. The Amendment to Public Consent Order for Reinstatement 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.

SO ORDERED, this 30th day of September, 2019.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

GRETCHEN COLLINS, M.D.
Chairperson

ATTEST: 

DASHARN HUGHES
Executive Director
BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

JOHN ASBURY GLENN, JR., M.D.
License No. 038495
Respondent.

DOCKET NO.: DOCKET NUMBER:

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

I, JOHN ASBURY GLENN JR., M.D., holder of License No. 038495 to practice medicine in the State of Georgia, pursuant to O.C.G.A. Ch. 34, T. 43, as amended, hereby freely, knowingly and voluntarily surrender said license to the Georgia Composite Medical Board (hereinafter “Board”). I hereby acknowledge that this surrender shall have the same effect as revocation of my license, and I knowingly forfeit and relinquish all right, title, and privilege of practicing medicine in the State of Georgia, unless and until such time as my license may be reinstated, in the sole discretion of the Board.

I understand that I have a right to a hearing in the disciplinary matter pending before the Board and I hereby freely, knowingly and voluntarily waive such right to a hearing. I also understand that should any request for reinstatement be entertained by the Board, the Board shall have access to any investigative file in this matter.

I further understand that upon applying for reinstatement, it shall be incumbent upon me to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that I am able to practice with reasonable skill and safety to patients and that if the Board is not so satisfied, the Board shall not reinstate my license.

This surrender shall become effective immediately upon acceptance thereof by the Board and docketing. I understand that this document will be considered to be a public record.
and that this action shall be considered to be and may be disseminated as a final order of the
Board.

(As to Respondent)

Sworn to and subscribed
this 1st day of
October, 2019.

JOHN ASBURY GLENN JR., M.D.
Respondent

ACCEPTANCE OF SURRENDER

The voluntary surrender of License No. 038495 is hereby accepted by the Georgia
Composite Medical Board, this 3rd day of October, 2019.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

BY:          
GRETCHEN COLLINS, M.D.
Chairperson

ATTEST:     
LASHAWN HUGHES
Executive Director
BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

JOSEPH R. LEWIS, JR., MD,
License Number 35085,
Respondent.

DOCKET NO.

PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and JOSEPH R. LEWIS, JR., MD ("Respondent"), the following disposition of this matter is entered pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-13(a)(4), as amended.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

Respondent is licensed to practice medicine in the State of Georgia and was licensed at all times relevant to the matters stated herein.

2.

On or about September 29, 2016, Patient J.H. presented with a lesion on his right post-auricular area and was seen by Respondent’s nurse practitioner (NP) Joyce Hendry. NP Hendry performed a shave biopsy and the sample was sent to pathology for evaluation.

3.

On or about October 13, 2016, Patient J.H. returned to Respondent’s practice and was seen by NP Hendry. NP Hendry reviewed the pathology report which indicated basal cell carcinoma (BCC). Respondent delegated Patient J.H.’s treatment and care for the BCC to NP Hendry. NP Hendry treated the BCC by performing an electro-desiccation and curettage (EDC) procedure.
4.

On or about January 17, 2017, NP Hendry saw Patient J.H. for a follow-up visit and noted a small erythematous papule at the procedure site. NP Hendry performed another EDC procedure.

5.

On or about May 25, 2017, Patient J.H. presented with some inflammation at the procedure site. NP Hendry treated the inflammation with a steroid injection.

6.

On or about June 22, 2017, Patient J.H. again presented with some inflammation at the procedure site. At this time, Respondent referred Patient J.H. to a dermatologist for Mohs surgery and further treatment.

7.

During an investigation of Respondent by the Board, the Board obtained the medical records of Patient J.H. from Respondent. A Board-appointed Consultant evaluated Respondent’s medical records of this patient, and concluded that Respondent’s diagnosis and treatment departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

a. **Diagnosis** – The diagnosis was delayed. Thus, the treatment was delayed. The “waxy popular” description by the NP is often referred to as a pearly appearance, consistent with a basal cell carcinoma, and this diagnosis should have been made in September 2016.

b. **Treatment** – Respondent’s treatment of this patient failed below the minimal standards of medical practice in the following ways:
i. NP Hendry performed a shave biopsy, interpreted the results, and then performed an EDC of the BCC of the head and face, without doing a clear excisional biopsy. This treatment plan placed the patient in a higher risk category. ED&C is most appropriated for low risk superficial or nodular BCC’s on the trunk or extremities, but is not recommended for BBC’s with clinical and histologic features that suggest an elevated risk for tumor recurrence.

ii. NP Hendry performed a shave biopsy and then treated the BCC with an ED&C procedure. BCC’s are inherently locally aggressive, but since a shave biopsy and an ED&C procedure was performed, the depth of the lesion could not be determined. The inability to determine the depth of the lesion put the Mohs surgeon at a disadvantage.

iii. The review of the pathology report, which indicated BBC, should have resulted in an immediate referral for Mohs surgery. The Mohs surgeon was disadvantaged by the delay in receiving the referral.

8.

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

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent’s conduct constitutes sufficient grounds for the imposition of discipline upon his license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia under O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapters 1 and 34, as amended. Respondent hereby waives any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter.
ORDER

The Board, having considered all the facts and circumstances of this case, hereby orders, and Respondent hereby agrees, that the following sanctions shall be imposed upon Respondent’s license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia:

1.

Beginning on the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent’s license shall be subject to the following restrictions, terms and conditions:

(a) **DERMATOLOGIC PROCEDURES RESTRICTION**: Respondent is prohibited from performing or supervising dermatological procedures for a period of twelve (12) months from the docket date of this Consent Order. “Dermatologic Procedure” is defined any procedure that involves the treatment of potentially cancerous lesions. This shall not include basic management of skin conditions in the office setting (e.g. acne, eczema, staph infections), minor office procedures (e.g. skin tags, warts, ingrown toenails), or aesthetic procedures (e.g. neuromodulator injections, filler injections, chemical peels, or microdermabrasions). Respondent is prohibited from allowing anyone, other than a board certified dermatologist, from preforming dermatological procedures in his practice for a period of twelve (12) months. Twelve (12) months after the docket date of this Consent Order, Respondent must petition the Board to have this restriction lifted. The Board reserves jurisdiction to determine the conditions for the practice of dermatologic procedures, and may impose additional terms and conditions on Respondent’s practice. Should the Board determine that reasonable cause exists for maintaining this restriction on Respondent’s license, the Board shall notify Respondent of its intent to extend the restriction, and Respondent may respond to such notice in writing or request an appearance before the Board.

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as in a non-contested case. In any event, this restriction shall remain in effect pending a final determination by the Board and notification that the restriction has been lifted.

(b) **CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENT – DERMATOLOGICAL PROCEDURES.** Respondent shall obtain twenty (20) hours of continuing medical education (CME) in the area of dermatological procedures, in a class or in classes where Respondent’s physical attendance is required. This requirement shall be in addition to the continuing education requirements set forth in O.C.G.A. § 43-34-11. Respondent shall complete said additional twenty (20) hours within twelve (12) months from the docketing of this order. Respondent shall submit proof of completion of said additional CME hours to the Board upon completion.

(c) **REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY.** It shall be the responsibility of the Respondent to ensure that all reports, other documentation, and information required by this Consent Order are submitted to the Executive Director, Georgia Composite Medical Board, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 6th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. Respondent’s failure to submit or cause to be submitted any required reports, other documentation, or information in a timely manner shall be deemed a violation of this Consent Order, and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent’s license, including revocation, upon substantiation thereof.

(d) **EMPLOYMENT/RESIDENCY CHANGE.** Respondent shall notify the Board in writing of any change of Respondent’s practice location within ten (10) days of beginning practice. Respondent shall advise the Board of any change in Respondent’s personal address within ten (10) days of such change.

(e) **ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.** Respondent shall pay administrative fees in the amount of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) as reimbursement to the Board of expenses incurred in the investigation of this matter, which expenses do not include time spent by the investigative
division of the Board. Said fees shall be payable by certified check or money order to the Board within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Consent Order. Failure to pay the entire amount by the thirtieth (30th) day shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent’s license, including revocation, upon substantiation.

(f) **FINE.** Respondent shall submit to the Board a fine in the amount of six thousand dollars ($6,000.00) to be paid in full by cashier’s check or money order payable to the Board within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Consent Order. Said fine shall be submitted to the attention of the Executive Director, Georgia Composite Medical Board, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 6th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. Failure to pay the entire amount of the fine by the 90th day shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent’s license, including revocation, upon substantiation thereof.

2.

Respondent shall abide by all state and federal laws regulating the practice of medicine, the Rules and Regulations of the Board, and the terms and conditions of this Consent Order. If Respondent shall fail to abide by such laws, rules, terms or conditions, or if it should appearing from reports, inspections or other information submitted to the Board that Respondent is otherwise unable to practice medicine 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 should 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, if the Board exercises such right.

3.

This Consent Order and dissemination thereof shall be considered a PUBLIC REPRIMAND of Respondent by the Board.

4.

Respondent also 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’s Profile reflecting this Consent Order.

5.

Respondent acknowledges that Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands its contents. Respondent understands that Respondent has the right to a hearing in this matter and freely, knowingly and voluntarily waives that right by entering into this Consent Order. Respondent understands and agrees that a representative of the Department of Law may be present during the Board’s consideration of this Consent Order 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 will not become effective until approved and docketed by the Board. Respondent understands that this Consent Order, once approved and docketed, shall constitute a public record, evidencing disciplinary action by the Board that may be disseminated as such. However, if this 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 hereby consents to the terms and sanctions contained herein.

Approved this \textbf{31} day of \textbf{October}, 2019.

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\textbf{GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD}
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\textbf{BY:} \textit{GRETCHEN COLLINS, MD}
Chairperson
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\textbf{ATTEST:} \textit{LASHARN HUGHES, MBA}
Executive Director
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\textbf{CONSENTED TO:} \textit{JOSEPH R. LEWIS, JR., MD}
Respondent
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\textit{AS TO THE SIGNATURE OF}
JOSEPH R. LEWIS, JR., MD,
Sworn to and subscribed before me this, \textbf{11th} day of \textbf{September}, 2019.
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\textit{NOTARY PUBLIC}
My Commission Expires: \textbf{July 26, 2021}
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BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD
STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF: *

VAN L. MALIA, D.O. *
License No.: 70274 *
Respondent. *

ORDER OF COMPLETION

1. WHEREAS, on April 11, 2019, the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and Van L. Malia, D.O. ("Respondent"), entered into a Public Consent Order ("Order"). Under the Order, certain sanctions, terms and conditions were placed on Respondent’s license to practice medicine.

2. Whereas, the Board acknowledges that Respondent has complied with all the terms and conditions of the Order.

3. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board hereby lifts the sanctions placed upon Respondent’s license to practice medicine and issues this ORDER OF COMPLETION.

This the 3rd day of October, 2019.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

BY: [Signature]
GRETCHEN COLLINS, M.D.
Chairperson

ATTEST: [Signature]
LASHON HUGHES
Executive Director
BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

Laurel E. Zollars, M.D.,
License No. 44615,
Respondent.

DOCKET NO. 10200037

PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and Laurel E. Zollars, M.D. ("Respondent"), the following disposition of this 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 is licensed to practice medicine in the State of Georgia and was licensed as such at all times relevant to the matters stated herein.

2.

On or about August 30, 2018, the Maryland State Board of Physicians entered a Final Order revoking Respondent's license to practice medicine in Maryland based on Respondent's incomplete renewal application.

3.

On or about October 18, 2018, the Virginia Department of Health Professions entered an Order of Mandatory Suspension suspending Respondent's license to practice medicine in Virginia based upon the revocation of Respondent's license to practice medicine in Maryland.

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4.

On or about March 21, 2019, the Medical Board of California Department of Consumer Affairs entered a Default Decision and Order revoking Respondent’s license to practice medicine in California based upon the revocation of Respondent’s license to practice medicine in Maryland.

5.

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 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. Chs. 1 and 34 T. 43, as amended. Respondent hereby waives any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter.

ORDER

The Georgia Composite Medical Board, having considered all the facts and circumstances of this case, hereby orders, and Respondent hereby agrees, as follows:

1.

Respondent agrees that Respondent’s license to practice medicine in the State of Georgia shall be suspended indefinitely and that Respondent shall not practice as a physician in the State of Georgia until further order of the Board. In the event Respondent practices as a physician in the State of Georgia without a written order from the Board, Respondent’s license shall be subject to revocation, upon substantiation thereof.
2.

During the period of suspension, the Respondent may continue to pay the license renewal fee by and before each expiration date, as established by the Board. Failure to pay the license renewal fee shall be grounds for the administrative revocation of Respondent’s license without a hearing, as provided by O.C.G. A. § 43-1-19(1), with reinstatement within the discretion of the Board. Respondent acknowledges that when considering the reinstatement of an administratively revoked license, the Board has authority to review any investigative file relating to Respondent.

3.

Respondent shall abide by all State and Federal laws regarding the practice of medicine, the Rules and Regulations of the Georgia Composite Medical Board and the terms of this Consent Order. In the event Respondent fails to abide by such laws, rules or terms, or should Respondent violate the criminal laws of this state, Respondent’s license shall be subject to further discipline, including revocation, upon substantiation thereof.

4.

Respondent may not petition to have the suspension of her license to practice medicine in the State of Georgia lifted until such time as the revocation of her license to practice in the State of Maryland has been reinstated. Respondent shall attach to any petition to have her Georgia license reinstated certified copies of any orders from the Maryland State Board of Physicians, reinstating her license to practice medicine in those states. The Board shall not consider any petition to lift the suspension of Respondent’s license to practice medicine in Georgia unless said documents are attached thereto. Prior to the Board considering Respondent’s petition to have the suspension lifted, the Board shall review and evaluate the Respondent’s current condition. The
Board shall have the discretion to lift the suspension of Respondent's license to practice medicine and place upon Respondent's license any conditions that the Board may deem appropriate, or to deny the petition without a hearing; provided, however, that Respondent will be entitled to an appearance before the Board as in a non-contested case. The Board reserves the right to place any terms and conditions on the reinstatement of Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of Georgia that the Board deems necessary to protect the public safety. Should the Board deny Respondent's petition to lift the suspension, Respondent may petition to have said suspension lifted every six (6) months thereafter from the time Respondent receives a written notice from the Board that his petition has been denied.

5.

Respondent acknowledges that she has read and understands the contents of this Consent Order. Respondent understands that she has the right to a hearing in this matter, and Respondent 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 Georgia Composite Medical Board. Respondent further understands and agrees that a representative of the Department of Law may be present during the presentation of this Consent Order 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 which may be disseminated as a disciplinary action of the Board. If this Consent Order is not approved, it shall not constitute an admission against interest in this proceeding, or prejudice the ability of the Board to adjudicate this matter. Respondent consents to the terms and sanctions contained herein.

(signatures on the following page)
Approved, this 3rd day of October, 2019.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

BY:  
GRETCHEN COLLINS, M.D.  
Chairperson

ATTEST:  
LASHARN HUGHES  
Executive Director

CONSENTED TO:  
LAUREL E. ZOLLARS, M.D.  
Respondent

As to Laurel E. Zollars, M.D.:  
Sworn to and Subscribed  
Before me this 10 day  
of September, 2019.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:  
10/20/19

DENISE TISDALE  
Notary Public  
STATE OF TEXAS  
My Comm. Exp. 10-20-19