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Georgia Composite Medical Board

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# BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

D'LIVRO BEAUCHAMP, M.D.,

License No. 85370, \*
Respondent. \*

MAR 1 4 2022

DOCKET NUMBER:

## **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER**

I, D'LIVRO BEAUCHAMP, M.D., holder of License No. 85370 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. I hereby acknowledge that this surrender shall be considered to be and have the same effect as a 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.

## FINDING OF FACT

1.

Respondent is license to practice as a physician in Georgia and was so licensed at all times relevant to these factual findings.

2.

On or about October 20, 2020, Respondent was entered a guilty plea to one count of Conspiracy to Distribute Controlled Substance, in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) and 21 U.S.C. § 846, in the United States District Court, for the Middle District of Alabama, Northern Division, Criminal Case No.: 2:20cr137.

On or about August 11, 2020, Respondent voluntarily surrendered his license to practice medicine in the state of Alabama to avoid further administrative, disciplinary action.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the contents of this Voluntary Surrender. I understand that I have a right to a hearing in this matter, and I hereby freely, knowingly and voluntarily waive such right. I also understand that should the Board entertain any request for reinstatement, the Board shall have access to any investigative or medical information regarding me. 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 medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients, and that the Board may investigate my conduct since the time of the surrender of my license. I understand and agree that any reinstatement of my license to practice medicine is a matter in the sole discretion of the Board and that the Board may deny any such reinstatement without identifying a reason for said denial.

This surrender shall become effective upon acceptance and docketing by the Board. I understand that this document will be considered to be a public record of a disciplinary action entered pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 43-34-8(b)(1) and that this action shall be considered to be and may be disseminated as a final order of the Board.

Respondent

MP, M.D.

[As to Respondent's signature:] Sworn to and subscribed before me

This <u>Hit day</u> of <u>March</u>, 2022.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: |2-17-2023

## ACCEPTANCE OF SURRENDER

The voluntary surrender of License No. 85370 is hereby accepted by the Georgia Composite Medical Board, this \( \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\mathcal{L}} \) day of \( \frac{\mathcal{March}}{\mathcal{L}} \), 2022.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

(BOARD SEAL)

BY:

DESPINA D. DALTON, M.D.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

DANIEL R. DORSEY

**Executive Director** 

## BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD
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	STATE OF GEORGIA	MEDICAL BOARD
DI THE MATTER OF	,	MAR 0 9 2022
IN THE MATTER OF:	)	DOCKET NUMBER:
LAWRENCE BERMAN, M.D.,	) DOCKET NO	20220070
License Number 35374,	)	
Respondent.	ý ,	

#### PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Georgia Board") and LAWRENCE BERMAN, M.D. ("Respondent"), the following disposition of this disciplinary matter is entered pursuant to the provisions of the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, 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.

Respondent, while employed with at least one telemedicine company, prescribed/ordered durable medical equipment (DME) for multiple individuals outside of an established physicianpatient relationship. At least three of such individuals resided in the State of Georgia.

# Patient R.T.

On or about October 31, 2018, Respondent prescribed Patient R.T. DME consisting of a back brace without performing an in-person examination nor performing an examination using technology that is equal to or superior to an examination done personally by a provider.

#### Patient J.T.

On and between August 29, 2019, and September 3, 2019, Respondent prescribed Patient J.T. DME consisting of a hip brace, ankle brace, and heel brace without performing an in-person examination nor performing an examination using technology that is equal to or superior to an examination done personally by a provider.

5.

#### Patient B.C.

On or about August 15, 2019, Respondent prescribed Patient B.C. DME consisting of a knee brace and a knee sleeve without performing an in-person examination nor performing an examination using technology that is equal to or superior to an examination done personally by a provider.

6.

Respondent's aforementioned conduct departed from and failed to conform to the minimum standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice and was a violation of Georgia's laws and the Board's rules. *See* Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 360-3-.07 (Practice Through Electronic or Other Such Means), O.C.G.A. § 43-34-8(a), and O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19(a).

7.

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 Respondent's license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia under O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapters 1 and 34, <u>as amended</u>. Respondent hereby waives any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter.

## <u>ORDER</u>

The Georgia 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.

Within **thirty** (30) days of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall submit to the Georgia Board a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be paid in full by cashier's check or money order made payable to the Georgia Composite Medical Board. Said fine shall be sent to the Georgia Composite Medical Board, located at 2 Peachtree Street, NW, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303, to the attention of the Executive Director. Failure to pay the entire amount within (30) days of the effective date of this Consent Order shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, upon substantiation thereof.

2.

Within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall successfully complete twenty (20) hours of continuing medical education ("CME") course(s) focusing on prescribing during telemedicine. Said CME may be completed online and shall be in addition to the CME required of all Georgia physicians. Respondent shall provide written

evidence of successful completion of the CME to the Georgia Board within six (6) months of the effective date of this Order. Failure to provide written evidence of successful completion of the CME within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Order shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, upon substantiation thereof.

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 Georgia

Board.

4.

Respondent also understands that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapter 34A, the contents of this Consent Order shall be placed on Respondent's Physician Profile. Furthermore, by executing this Consent Order, Respondent hereby agrees to permit the Georgia 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 Georgia Board's consideration of this Consent Order and that the Georgia 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 Georgia Board. Respondent understands

that this Consent Order, once approved and docketed, shall constitute a public record, evidencing disciplinary action by the Georgia 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 Georgia Board to adjudicate this matter. Respondent hereby consents to the terms and sanctions contained herein.

Approved this 9 day of March, 2022.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

(BOARD SEAL)

BY:

DESPINA DALTON, M.D.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

DANIEL R. DORSEN

Interim Executive Director

CONSENTED TO:

Respondent

AS TO THE SIGNATURE OF LAWRENCE BERMAN, M.D.: Sworn to and subscribed before me This, 25 day of **February** 2022.

My Commission Expires: Nov. 16,2025

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GCMB.

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# BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARDGEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

	STATE OF GEORGIA	MAR 08 2022
IN THE MATTER OF:	)	DOCKET NUMBER:
ANDREW HURAYT, M.D., License Number 15196,	) DOCKET NO )	
Respondent.	j	

#### PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and ANDREW HURAYT, M.D. ("Respondent"), the following disposition of this disciplinary matter is entered pursuant to the provisions of the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, 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 December 8, 2020, Respondent self-reported to the Board that he had entered into an agreement with the United States Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration regarding Respondent's DEA controlled substances privileges. (DEA Registration No. AH6344890).

3.

On and between December 31, 2018, and April 21, 2020, Respondent wrote six (6) prescriptions for himself, as follows:

• On December 31, 2018, Respondent self-prescribed Clonazepam 2 MG Tablet QTY 180;

- On July 20, 2019, Respondent self-prescribed Clonazepam 2 MG Tablet QTY 180;
- On December 12, 2019, Respondent self-prescribed Clonazepam 2 MG Tablet QTY 40;
- On January 10, 2020, Respondent self-prescribed Clonazepam 2 MG Tablet QTY 90;
- On March 17, 2020, Respondent self-prescribed Diphenoxylate-Atrop 2.5-.025 2 QTY
   10;
- On April 21, 2020, Respondent self-prescribed Clonazepam 2 MG Tablet QTY 90.

4.

Clonazepam and Diphenoxylate are controlled substances and Respondent had no documented emergency on any of the aforementioned dates.

5.

Respondent's aforementioned conduct departed from and failed to conform to the minimum standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice and was a violation of Georgia's laws and the Board's rules. *See* Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 360-3-.02 (2) (Unprofessional Conduct).

6.

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 Respondent's license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia under O.C.G.A. Title 43,

Chapters 1 and 34, <u>as amended</u>. Respondent hereby waives any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter.

#### ORDER

The Georgia 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.

Within **thirty (30) days** of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall submit to the Georgia Board a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be paid in full by cashier's check or money order made payable to the Georgia Composite Medical Board. Said fine shall be sent to the Georgia Composite Medical Board, located at 2 Peachtree Street, NW, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303, to the attention of the Executive Director. Failure to pay the entire amount within (30) days of the effective date of this Consent Order shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, upon substantiation thereof.

2.

Within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall provide to the Board evidence that he has completed the following continuing medical education (CME):

A mini-residency program entitled "Appropriate Prescribing of Controlled Substances" sponsored by the Mercer University Southern School of Pharmacy, or a similar course preapproved by the Board; and said CME shall be in addition to the CME required license renewal.

Failure to provide written evidence of successful completion of the CME within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Order shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, upon substantiation thereof.

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 Georgia

Board.

4.

Respondent also understands that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapter 34A, the contents of this Consent Order shall be placed on Respondent's Physician Profile. Furthermore, by executing this Consent Order, Respondent hereby agrees to permit the Georgia 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 Georgia Board's consideration of this Consent Order and that the Georgia 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 Georgia Board. Respondent understands that this Consent Order, once approved and docketed, shall constitute a public record, evidencing disciplinary action by the Georgia 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 Georgia Board to adjudicate this matter. Respondent hereby consents to the terms and sanctions contained herein.

Approved this 8 day of March

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

BY:

DESPINA DALTON, M.D.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

**Executive Director** 

CONSENTED TO:

Respondent

AS TO THE SIGNATURE OF

ANDREW HURAYT, M.D.:

(BOARD SEAL)

Sworn to and subscribed before me

NOTARY PUBLIC (
My Commission Expires:

March 21, 2023

# BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

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GEORGIA COMPOSITE
MEDICAL BOARD

GEORGE S. KERR, M.D.,

License No. 24831,

DOCKET NO.:

MAR 08 2022

Respondent.

DOCKET NUMBER:

## PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and GEORGE S. KERR, M.D. ("Respondent"), the following disposition of this disciplinary matter is entered pursuant to the provisions of the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, O.C.G.A § 50-13-13 as amended.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

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

2.

On or about March 8, 2019, the Board received a complaint regarding Respondent's prescribing of controlled substances. Specifically, Respondent wrote "allowed to fill early" on prescriptions for controlled substances.

3.

#### Patient C.K.

On and between January of 2015, through June of 2018, patient C.K. was treated by the Respondent for psoriatic arthritis, pain, and anxiety. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Hydrocodone, Xanax, Tramadol, and Cymbalta. Respondent's medical care of C.K.

was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed benzodiazepines and opioids together;
- Respondent prescribed Cymbalta and Tramadol at the same time without any note regarding the risk of serotonin syndrome;
- There was little regarding a physical exam in the medical record;
- There is no pain score, pain medication agreement, or urine drug screens in the medical record.

4.

#### Patient C.B.

On and between February of 2006, through February of 2019, patient C.B. was treated by Respondent for psoriatic arthritis, pain, anxiety, and depression. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Hydrocodone and Xanax. Respondent's medical care of C.B. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed opioids and benzodiazepines together;
- Respondent included little to no explanation of the patient's actual pain nor any description of how daily opioids have helped patient;
- There was no pain score, pain medication agreement, or urine drug screens in the medical record;
- There was no referral to a pain clinic or a psychiatrist in the medical record.

5.

## Patient D.M.

On and between January of 2017, through June of 2018, patient D.M. was treated by Respondent for migraine headaches, pain, anxiety, and depression. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Hydrocodone and Klonopin. Respondent's medical care of D.M.

was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed opioids and benzodiazepines together;
- Respondent included little to no details of the patient's headache regarding the type of pain, laterality of the headache, or headache triggers;
- There is no pain score the medical record;
- Respondent continued to prescribe opioids after patient D.M. had a negative drug screen for opioids.

6.

#### Patient D.G.

On and between December of 2009, through November of 2017, patient D.G. was treated by Respondent for back pain and neuromyalgia. Respondent treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Hydrocodone, Oxycodone, Tramadol, and Klonopin. Respondent's medical care of D.G. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed opioids and benzodiazepines together;
- There is no pain score the medical record;
- There were an inadequate number of urine drug screens in the record and at least some of the drug screens collected were negative for opioids and benzodiazepines. Respondent continued to prescribe opioids and benzodiazepines with no discussion of the negative screens noted in the medical record.

7.

#### Patient V.G.

On and between March of 1994, through January of 2019, patient V.G. was treated by Respondent for arthritis pain in the shoulders, knees and back along with anxiety, and

depression. Patient V.G. was also diagnosed with hypertension, hyperlipidemia, and morbid obesity. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Hydrocodone and/or Oxycodone, Gabapentin, antidepressants and benzodiazepines. Respondent's medical care of V.G. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed opioids and benzodiazepines together;
- There was no rationale for using high amounts of opioids to treat chronic pain;
- Gabapentin and antidepressants may contribute to weight gain;
- There is no pain medication agreement in the medical record;
- There were an inadequate number of urine drug screens in the medical record.

8.

#### Patient M.K.

On and between January of 2006, through February 2019, patient M.K. was treated by Respondent for back and knee pain and anxiety, and depression. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Percocet and Valium. Respondent's medical care of M.K. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed opioids and benzodiazepines together;
- There is no documentation as to the effect the pain medications had on patient M.K.'s pain.
- There is no pain score the medical record nor any discussion on the risk of daily opioids;
- There was little in the way of any physical exam;
- Respondent continued to prescribe opioids after patient M.K's urine drug screens were positive for drugs not prescribed by Respondent.

#### Patient P.L.

On and between February 2011, through September 2018, patient P.L. was treated by Respondent for neck pain and anxiety. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Lortab, Norco, Valium, and Xanax. Respondent's medical care of P.L. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed opioids and benzodiazepines together;
- There is no pain score the medical record nor any discussion on nonpharmacological or non-opioid treatment;
- There were an inadequate number of urine drug screens in the record.

10.

#### Patient P.W.

On and between August of 1992, through February of 2019, patient P.W. was treated by Respondent for migraine headaches, depression, and anxiety. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Demerol, Phenergan Hydrocodone, and Valium. Respondent's medical care of P.W. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed opioids and benzodiazepines together;
- There was no rationale for using high amounts of opioids to treat chronic pain;
- There is no pain score the medical record nor any discussion on nonpharmacological or non-opioid treatment;
- There were no urine drug screens in the record.

#### Patient R.O.

On and between January of 2011, through January of 2016, patient R.O. was treated by Respondent for fibromyalgia, neck and back pain, depression, and anxiety. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Hydrocodone, Lortab, and Klonopin. Respondent's medical care of R.O. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed opioids and benzodiazepines together;
- There is no pain score or pain medication agreement in the medical record;
- There was no rationale for using high amounts of opioids to treat chronic pain;
- There are an inadequate number of urine drug screens in the medical record.

12.

#### Patient S.S.

On and between January of 2001, through March of 2019, patient S.S. was treated by Respondent for chronic back pain, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, and a seizure disorder. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Hydrocodone, Lortab, Oxycodone, and Xanax. Respondent's medical care of S.S. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed opioids and benzodiazepines together;
- There is no pain score or pain medication agreement in the medical record;
- There was no rationale for using high amounts of opioids to treat chronic pain;
- There were an inadequate number of urine drug screens in the record and at least some of the drug screens collected were negative for the medications Respondent prescribed.

Respondent admits the above findings of fact and waives further findings and agrees to the entry of this Order in order to resolve the pending allegations.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's conduct constitutes sufficient grounds for the Board to exercise disciplinary authority under O.C.G.A. Chs. 1 and 34, T. 43, <u>as amended</u>, and the Rules of the Georgia Composite Medical Board. Respondent 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 ordered, and Respondent hereby agrees to the following:

1.

Within **ninety** (90) days of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall submit to the Georgia Board a fine of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to be paid in full by cashier's check or money order made payable to the Georgia Composite Medical Board. Said fine shall be sent to the Georgia Composite Medical Board, located at 2 Peachtree Street, NW, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303, to the attention of the Executive Director. Failure to pay the entire amount within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Consent Order shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, upon substantiation thereof.

2.

Within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall

pay administrative fees to the Board in the amount of nine hundred dollars (\$900.00) 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, and shall be submitted to the attention of the Executive Director, Georgia Composite Medical Board, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. Failure to pay the entire amount by the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) day shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, including revocation, upon substantiation.

3.

Within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall provide to the Board evidence that he has completed the following continuing medical education (CME):

A mini-residency program entitled "Appropriate Prescribing of Controlled Substances" sponsored by the Mercer University Southern School of Pharmacy, or a similar course preapproved by the Board; and said (CME) shall be in addition to the CME required license renewal. Failure to provide written evidence of successful completion of the CME within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Order shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, upon substantiation thereof.

4.

This Consent Order and the dissemination thereof shall constitute a public reprimand to the Respondent for his conduct.

5.

Respondent understands that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapter 34A, the contents of this Consent 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.

6.

Approval of this Order by the Board shall in no way be construed as condoning Respondent's conduct and, except as provided herein, shall not be construed as a waiver of any of the lawful rights of the Board.

7.

Respondent acknowledges that he has read and understands the contents of this Consent Order. Respondent understands that he 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 further understands and agrees 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 and docketed, shall constitute a public record and may be disseminated as such. 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 understands that this Consent Order will not become effective until approved and docketed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board. Respondent consents to the terms contained herein.

Approved, this 1/ day of Feb., 2022.

[Signatures on following page]

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

(BOARD SEAL)



BY:

DESPINA DALTON, M.D.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

Executive Director

CONSENTED TO:

GEORGE S. KERR, M.D.

Respondent

AS TO THE SIGNATURE OF

GEORGE S. KERR, M.D.:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this, \(\begin{array}{c} \day \text{ of } \overline{\chi} \end{array}\) 2022

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: April 15, 2025

# BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

GEORGIA COMPOSITE
MEDICAL BOARD

FEB 2 8 2022	
DOCKET NUMBER:	

IN THE MATTER OF:

AMERICA LUZ SONORA,

Applicant.

#### CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR LICENSURE

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapters 1 and 34, the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board"), in its discretion, has considered the application for licensure of America Luz Sonora ("Applicant") to practice as an assistant laser practitioner in the State of Georgia. In conjunction therewith, the Board hereby enters its Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as follows:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

On or about January 10, 2022, Applicant submitted an application for licensure as an Assistant Laser Practitioner in the State of Georgia.

2.

On or about March 10, 2020, Applicant entered into a Public Consent Agreement for
Licensure with the Georgia State Board of Cosmetologists and Barbers, Docket No. 2020-0398,
where Applicant was issued an esthetician's license under probation due to Appellant's May 31,
2017 conviction of one felony count of Possession of Marijuana and one felony count of
Possession of a Controlled Substance in Gwinnett County Case No. 16-B-4152-1. As a result of
the conviction, Applicant was sentenced to ten years, with the first three years to be served in
prison and the remainder on probation. Appellant is currently compliant with her criminal



3.

Applicant waives any further findings of fact with respect to this matter.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The unlicensed practice disclosed by Applicant is grounds for denial of licensure or licensure with discipline under O.C.G.A. Ch. 34, T. 43, as amended. Applicant hereby waives any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter.

#### <u>ORDER</u>

Beginning on the effective date of this Consent Agreement, Applicant's license to practice as an Assistant Laser Practitioner in the State of Georgia shall be issued, subject to the following terms:

1.

Beginning on the effective date of this Consent Agreement (hereinafter "Agreement"),
Applicant's license to practice as an assistant laser practitioner in the State of Georgia shall be
placed on PROBATION, subject to the following terms:

- (a) ABIDE BY LAWS, RULES, AND TERMS. The Applicant shall abide by all State and Federal laws regulating cosmetic laser services, the Rules and Regulations of the Board, and the terms of the Agreement. If the Applicant shall fail to abide by any of the terms of this Agreement, Applicant's license shall be subject to discipline, including revocation, upon substantiation thereof after notice and hearing. Petitioner shall notify the Board of any additional criminal arrests and/or convictions within ten days of the event.
- (b) <u>PETITION TO TERMINATE AGREEMENT</u>. Applicant shall be eligible to petition the Board to terminate the Agreement, by certifying under oath before a notary public

that Applicant has complied with all conditions of this Agreement and submit evidence that Applicant has been released from her criminal probationary sentence. At such time, should the Board determine that reasonable cause exists for maintaining or adding any terms or conditions on Applicant's license, the Board shall notify Applicant of its intent to continue or modify this Agreement to impose any terms deemed necessary at the time of the petition, and Applicant may respond to such notice in writing or request an appearance before the Board as in a non-contested case. This Agreement shall remain in effect pending a final determination by the Board and notification that it has been terminated.

2.

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

3.

The effective date of this Consent Agreement is the date the Consent Agreement is docketed. Applicant should receive a docketed copy of the Consent Agreement from the Board at Applicant's address of record within 10 business days of the docket date. If Applicant has not received a docketed copy of the Consent Agreement, it is Applicant's responsibility to obtain a docketed copy of the Consent Agreement from the Board. Applicant must comply with the terms of the Consent Agreement beginning on the effective date.

4.

Applicant acknowledges that Applicant has read this Consent Agreement and understands its contents. Applicant understands that Applicant has the right to a hearing in this matter, and freely, knowingly and voluntarily waives such right by entering into this Consent Agreement.

Applicant understands that this Consent Agreement will not become effective until approved and docketed by the Board. Applicant further understands and agrees that a representative of the Department of Law may be present during presentation of this Consent Agreement to the Board and that the Board shall have the authority to review the investigative file and all relevant evidence in considering this Consent Agreement. Applicant further understands that this Consent Agreement, once approved, shall constitute a public record that may be disseminated as a disciplinary action of the Board and will be reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank. However, if the Consent Agreement 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. Applicant consents to the terms and conditions contained herein.

Approved this May of Llucy

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

(BOARD SEAL)

BY:

Chairperson

ATTEST:

DANIEL R. DORSE

**Executive Director** 

CONSENTED TO:

AMERICA LUZ SONORA

Applicant

[As to Applicant's signature:]

Sworn to and subscribed before

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

My Comm. Expires Oct. 14 2025

## BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD IN THE MATTER OF: MAR 0 9 2022 ODELL STILL, D.O., DOCKET NUMBER: License No. 37085,

Respondent.

## VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

I, Odell Still, D.O., holder of License No. 37085 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. I hereby acknowledge that this surrender shall be considered to be and have the same effect as a 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 acknowledge that I have read and understand the contents of this Voluntary Surrender. I understand that I have a right to a hearing in this matter, and I hereby freely, knowingly and voluntarily waive such right. I also understand that should the Board entertain any request for reinstatement, the Board shall have access to any investigative or medical information regarding me. 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 medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients, and that the Board may investigate my conduct since the time of the surrender of my license. I understand and agree that any reinstatement of my license to practice medicine is a matter in the sole discretion of the Board and that the Board may deny any such reinstatement without identifying a reason for said denial.

This surrender shall become effective upon acceptance and docketing by the Board. I understand that this document will be considered to be a public record entered pursuant to O.C.G.A. §43-34-8(b)(1) and that this action shall be considered to be and may be disseminated as a final order of the Board.

[As to Respondent's signature:]

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This As day have brought, 2022.

ODELL STILL, D.O.

Respondent

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## **ACCEPTANCE OF SURRENDER**

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

(BOARD SEAL)

BY:

DESPINA DALTON, M.D.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

DANIEL R. DORSEY

**Executive Director** 

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## BEFORE THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

DARRELL SURRATT, M.D.,

MAR 1 0 2022

License No. 55984.

DOCKET NO .:

DOCKET NUMBER:

Respondent.

#### PUBLIC CONSENT ORDER

By agreement of the Georgia Composite Medical Board ("Board") and DARRELL SURRATT, M.D. ("Respondent"), the following disposition of this disciplinary matter is entered pursuant to the provisions of the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, O.C.G.A § 50-13-13 as amended.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

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

2.

On or about February 26, 2020, the Board received a complaint regarding Respondent's prescribing of controlled substances. Specifically, the concern expressed was that Respondent prescribed certain patients large amounts of controlled substances over extended periods of time.

3.

#### Patient T.H.

On and between January of 2016, through December of 2019, patient T.H. was treated by the Respondent for pain in her back and legs, anxiety, and depression. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing Oxycodone, Gabapentin, Citalopram, Xanax, and Ambien.

Respondent's medical care of T.H. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed benzodiazepines, opioids, and sleep aids together;
- Respondent failed to obtain proper imaging for the complaint of back pain;
   Respondent failed to investigative the underlying causes for the complaint of back pain;
- There was no documentation of regular urine drug screens or pill counts as part of chronic pain management;
- Respondent failed to refer patient T.H. to a specialist.

4.

#### Patient W.H.

On and between June of 2016, through June of 2020, patient W.H. was treated by Respondent for knee and back pain, chronic kidney failure, anxiety, depression and insomnia. Respondent's treatment included, inter alia, prescribing a Fentanyl patch, Oxycodone, Cymbalta, Temazepam, and Xanax. Respondent's medical care of W.H. was evaluated by a Board-appointed consultant who concluded that Respondent's diagnosis, treatment and/or records departed from and failed to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice in the following ways:

- Respondent prescribed benzodiazepines and opioids together;
- There was no documentation of regular urine drug screens or pill counts as part of chronic pain management;
- Respondent did not monitor patient's kidney function with lab work;
- Respondent failed to timely refer patient W.H. to pain management.

5.

Respondent admits the above findings of fact and waives further findings and agrees to the entry of this Order in order to resolve the pending allegations.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's conduct constitutes sufficient grounds for the Board to exercise disciplinary authority under O.C.G.A. Chs. 1 and 34, T. 43, as amended, and the Rules of the Georgia Composite Medical Board. Respondent 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 ordered, and Respondent hereby agrees to the following:

1.

Within **ninety** (90) days of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall submit to the Georgia Board a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be paid in full by cashier's check or money order made payable to the Georgia Composite Medical Board. Said fine shall be sent to the Georgia Composite Medical Board, located at 2 Peachtree Street, NW, 6th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303, to the attention of the Executive Director. Failure to pay the entire amount within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Consent Order shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, upon substantiation thereof.

2.

Within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Order, Respondent shall provide to the Board evidence that he has completed the following continuing medical education (CME):

A mini-residency program entitled "Appropriate Prescribing of Controlled Substances"

sponsored by the Mercer University Southern School of Pharmacy, or a similar course preapproved by the Board; and said (CME) shall be in addition to the CME required license renewal. Failure to provide written evidence of successful completion of the CME within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Order shall be considered a violation of this Consent Order and shall result in further sanctioning of Respondent's license, upon substantiation thereof.

3.

This Consent Order and the dissemination thereof shall constitute a public reprimand to the Respondent for his conduct.

4.

Respondent understands that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapter 34A, the contents of this Consent 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.

Approval of this Order by the Board shall in no way be construed as condoning

Respondent's conduct and, except as provided herein, shall not be construed as a waiver of any

of the lawful rights of the Board.

6.

Respondent acknowledges that he has read and understands the contents of this Consent Order. Respondent understands that he 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 further understands and agrees 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 and docketed, shall constitute a public record and may be disseminated as such. 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 understands that this Consent Order will not become effective until approved and docketed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board. Respondent consents to the terms contained herein.

Approved, this 10 day of March, 2022.

GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

(BOARD SEAL)

BY:

DESPINA DALTON, M.D.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

Daniel R. Dorses

**Executive Director** 

CONSENTED TO:

DARRELL SURRATT, M.D.

Respondent

AS TO THE SIGNATURE OF DARRELL SURRATT, M.D.: Sworn to and subscribed before me this, 110 day of 222.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: 2125 23

