## State Medical Board of Ohio Formal Action Report – June 2014

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Please find below a summary of actions taken or initiated by the State Medical Board of Ohio in June 2014 and an update of Board matters pending or decided in courts as of June 11, 2014.

### **PRE-HEARING SUSPENSIONS**

MILLS, Kyle Finnian, M.D. (#35-065391) – Wapakoneta, Ohio

Pursuant to Section 4731.22(G), Ohio Revised Code, medical license summarily suspended based on Board's determination that there is clear and convincing evidence that doctor is in violation of Sections 4731.22(B)(5) and (B)(26), Ohio Revised Code and that his continued practice presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public. Order effective 6/23/14. (See also: Citations/Proposed Denials below.)

PARROTT, Cassandra Rose, D.O. (#58-005272) – Cleveland, Ohio

Pursuant to Section 4731.22(G), Ohio Revised Code, osteopathic training certificate summarily suspended based on Board's determination that there is clear and convincing evidence that doctor is in violation of Section 4731.22(B)(26), Ohio Revised Code and that her continued practice presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public. Order effective 6/11/14. (See also: Citations/Proposed Denials below.)

## CITATIONS/PROPOSED DENIALS

**CARPENTER**, Rebecca Joy, M.T. (#33-013760) – Toledo, Ohio

Based on massage therapist's alleged practice of massage therapy for over two and one half years after the expiration of her license on 7/1/11, which if proven constitutes the commission of an act that constitutes a felony. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed 6/12/14.

## **COLFLESH**, Matthew Aaron, M.D. (#35-082831) – Steubenville, Ohio

Based on allegations that the doctor pre-signed blank prescriptions for controlled substances for nurses to subsequently complete, which if proven, constitutes a felony of Illegal Processing of Drug Documents and a misdemeanor of Authority of Licensed Health Professional. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed 6/12/14.

# **DUNHAM**, Douglas Allyn (#34-001548) – McDonald, Pennsylvania

Based on the doctor's conviction in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania on one felony count of Unlawful Sale of Pharmaceutical Drug Samples and on prior action against the doctor's license by the Pennsylvania State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, which accepted the permanent surrender of the doctor's osteopathic license in that state. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed 6/12/14.

### HARRIS, Matthew Reid, D.O. (#34-008347) – Columbus, Ohio

Based on the doctor's alleged violation of the limitations placed on his license pursuant to 8/12/09 Board Order due to his failure to timely call in to a Board-approved drug testing facility and failure to submit to the required drug-testing panel on the date selected. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/12/14.

#### **JACKSON**, Paul Edward, M.D. (#35-086453) – Wilton Manors, Florida

Based on prior action by the Texas Medical Board wherein doctor's temporary medical license was revoked, which was itself based on findings that doctor failed to meet the standard of care in his treatment of two patients, failed to safeguard against complications, provided medically unnecessary services to a patient, and failed to obtain informed consent and on doctor's failure to cooperate in an investigation conducted by the State Medical Board of Ohio. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed 6/12/14.

## MILLS, Kyle Finnian, M.D. (#35-065391) – Wapakoneta, Ohio

Based on allegations that the doctor is impaired in his ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care because of habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs, alcohol, or other substances that impair ability to practice and on allegations that the doctor made false, fraudulent, deceptive or misleading statements on his applications for renewal of his license in 1996, 1998, 2004, 2006, 2008, and 2012. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/23/14.

PARROTT, Cassandra Rose, D.O. (#58-005272) – Cleveland, Ohio

Based on allegations that the doctor is impaired in her ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care because of habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs, alcohol, or other substances that impair ability to practice. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/12/14.

**SAMUELS**, Todd Louis, M.D. (M.D. Applicant) – Reston, Virginia

Based on prior actions against the doctor's licenses in the states of California, Illinois, Louisiana, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Florida and on the doctor's alleged false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statement on his application for a license to practice medicine and surgery in Ohio. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed 6/12/14.

**SPERO**, Bruce A., M.D. (#35-068304) – Carson City, Nevada

Based on prior action against the doctor's license by the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners, which found that the doctor failed to adhere to minimal standards of care in that he failed to maintain timely, legible, accurate and complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment, and care of patients. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed 6/12/14.

**ULMER**, Chad Winfield, M.D. (#35-092791) – Columbus, Ohio

Based on the doctor's alleged violation of the limitations placed on his license pursuant to 4/13/11 consent agreement due to his failure to maintain participation in an alcohol and drug rehabilitation program, failure to submit accurate quarterly declarations of compliance, and failure to obtain permission from the Board prior to a departure from Ohio. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/12/14.

#### **CITATION DISMISSED**

**JACKSON**, Paul Edward, M.D. (#35-086453) – Wilton Manors, Florida

By Order and Entry filed on 6/11/14, Medical Board dismissed 4/11/12 Notice of Opportunity for Hearing without prejudice to further action.

# **FINAL ORDERS**

**MENON**, Aiyappan, M.D. (#35-061918) – Solon, Ohio

Probationary period established by 8/12/09 consent agreement modified to prohibit the doctor from requesting termination of probation for a minimum of six years. Based on the doctor's violation of the limitations placed on his license pursuant to 8/12/09 consent agreement due to his failure to timely call in to a Board-approved drug testing facility, failure to submit a urine drug screen on the date selected, and failure to attended required drug and alcohol rehabilitation meetings as directed by the Board. Order effective 7/7/14.

PIERCE, Stephen L., M.D. (#35-051584) – Batavia, Ohio

Medical license permanently revoked. Based on the doctor's guilty plea in the United States District Court, Southern District of Ohio, on one felony count of conspiring to knowingly, intentionally acquire or obtain controlled substances, namely OxyContin and Percocet, by misrepresentation, fraud or deception. Order effective 6/12/14.

**SUMMERS**, Christina Louise (M.T. Applicant) – Toledo, Ohio

Application for a license to practice massage therapy granted and license immediately suspended for at least 30 days with conditions for reinstatement established. Upon reinstatement of license, massage therapist to be placed on probation for at least two years. Based on the massage therapist's conviction in the Lucas County Court of Common Pleas on one felony count of Attempted Trafficking in Cocaine. Order effective 6/12/14.

UNK, Elizabeth Sauter, M.D. (#35-082178) – Lewis Center, Ohio

Medical license suspended for at least 30 days with interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established. Upon reinstatement of license, doctor to be placed on probation for at least five years. Based on the doctor's conviction in the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas on one felony count of Vehicular Assault, which was based on the doctor having been involved in an alcohol-related motor vehicle accident which injured a bicyclist. Order effective 6/12/14.

### **LICENSE REINSTATED**

**BREZNY**, Steven Francis, M.D. (#35-081093) – Columbus, Ohio

Doctor's request for reinstatement of license granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14 upon doctor's successful completion of the Special Purpose Examination or specialty board recertification and upon receipt of two written reports of psychiatric evaluations

indicating that the doctor is able to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care. Upon reinstatement, doctor to remain subject to probationary terms and conditions as established by 7/13/11 Board Order. Effective 6/11/14.

**ZUCCO**, Anthony Donald, D.O. (#34-006525) – West Jefferson, Ohio

Doctor's request for reinstatement of license granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14 subject to probationary terms and conditions established by 11/13/13 Board Order. Effective 6/11/14.

## **VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS/RETIREMENTS**

LAI, Michelle Quynh Chi, M.D. (35-090965) – Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Permanent revocation of medical license authorized by doctor in lieu of further formal disciplinary proceedings pursuant to Sections 4731.22(B)(5) and (B)(22), Ohio Revised Code, and upon doctor's admission to the allegations contained in 3/12/14 Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. Effective 6/11/14.

**LUCENTE**, Julia Immaculata, M.D. (#35-052717) – Dayton, Ohio

Permanent revocation of medical license authorized by doctor in lieu of further investigation and/or formal disciplinary proceedings pursuant to Sections 4731.22(B)(10) and (B)(11), Ohio Revised Code. Effective 6/11/14.

**MCGINNIS**, Kevin Thomas, M.D. (M.D. Applicant) – Edgewood, Kentucky

Permanent withdrawal of application for license to practice medicine and surgery accepted by the Board in lieu of formal disciplinary proceedings pursuant to Section 4731.22(B)(22), Ohio Revised Code, based on the doctor having entered into an Agreed Order of Surrender of his Kentucky license to practice medicine. Effective 6/11/14.

MICHAELIS, Thomas William, M.D. (#35-032590) – Sylvania, Ohio

Permanent revocation of medical license authorized by doctor in lieu of further investigation and/or formal disciplinary proceedings pursuant to Section 4731.22(B)(10), Ohio Revised Code. Effective 6/2/14.

## PROBATIONARY REQUESTS AND MODIFICATIONS

BURLAS, Regis Paul, D.O. (#34-002863) – Phoenix, Arizona

Doctor's request for permission to continue under terms and conditions of 6/12/13 superseding consent agreement while residing in Arizona granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

**DUNLAP**, Gary Allan, D.O. (#34-002045) – Dayton, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of monitoring physician granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14. Frequency and number of charts to be reviewed by monitor established.

**GRIFFIN**, Brian Frederic, M.D. (#35-044328) – Powell, Ohio

Doctor's request to reduce required drug and alcohol rehabilitation meetings to two per week with a minimum of ten per month, discontinue chart review requirement, and reduce required personal appearances to every six months granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

KAUFFMAN, JoAnna Chandra Salmon, M.D. (#35-123229) – Bluffton, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of treating psychiatrist granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

**LOPREATO**, Paul Dominic, P.A. (#50-001095) – Florence, Kentucky

Physician assistant's request to reduce required personal appearances to every six months granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

LYDON, Joseph Francis, Jr., M.D. (#35-057047) – Solon, Ohio

Doctor's request to reduce required drug and alcohol rehabilitation meetings to two per week with a minimum of ten per month granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

**NELSON**, Tina Marie Drouhard, M.D. (#35-077017) – Wooster, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of treating psychotherapist granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

**NEUHOFF**, Ronica Ann, M.D. (#35-067710) – Toledo, Ohio

Doctor's request to discontinue chart review requirement granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

**RUFFA**, Anthony Mark, D.O. (#34-010895) – Erie, Pennsylvania

Doctor's request to reduce required personal appearances to every six months granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

SALAS, Neil Alejandro, M.D. (#35-122102) – Akron, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of new monitoring physician granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

WAISSBLUTH, Alvaro Daniel, M.D. (#35-076104) – Middletown, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of medical records keeping course granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14.

## **PROBATION TERMINATED**

GOODYEAR, Michael Dean, II, M.D. (#35-078625) – Blacklick, Ohio

Doctor's request for release from terms of 4/11/12 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14. Effective immediately.

LAMET, Mark, M.D. (#35-048422) – Hollywood, Florida

Doctor's request for release from terms of 8/9/06 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14. Effective immediately.

MERRITT, Thomas Rodman, M.D. (#35-045667) – Toledo, Ohio

Doctor's request for release from terms of 4/15/11 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14. Effective immediately.

**SILK**, Jon Berkley, Jr., M.D. (#35-098705) – Troy, Ohio

Doctor's request for release from terms of 6/10/09 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 6/11/14. Effective immediately.

#### **COURT ACTIONS**

**EDMANDS**, Christopher James, D.O. (D.O. Applicant) – Parkersburg, West Virginia

Notice of appeal of Board's 5/14/14 order permanently denying licensure filed by doctor with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas on 5/29/14.

MCRAE, Sharon Leilani, M.D. (#35-093580) – Southfield, Michigan

By Entry filed on 5/28/14, the Ohio Supreme Court declined to accept jurisdiction and dismissed doctor's appeal.

# NON-DISCIPLINARY ORDERS

**WEAVER**, Jennifer Marie, P.A. (#50-003878 & Certificate to Prescribe Applicant) – Tega Cay, South Carolina

Application for a Certificate to Prescribe as a physician assistant in Ohio denied. Based on applicant's failure to provide documentation of minimum educational requirements for license. Order effective 6/12/14.

Please note that revocation and suspension Orders are not always effective immediately. If you have questions about effective dates or conditions governing a doctor's practice before a Board Order takes effect, please contact the office.

Ohio law permits appeal of a Board Order to the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas. Due to this possibility and the potential for a stay that might delay the imposition of a Board action, you may wish to contact us periodically to verify a given practitioner's licensure status.

Most current citation letters, Board Orders, consent agreements and voluntary surrenders or retirements are available on the Medical Board's website at <a href="http://www.med.ohio.gov/">http://www.med.ohio.gov/</a> under "Licensee Profile and Status." If you have questions or need additional details about Citations, Board Orders, Consent Agreements, or Court Actions, please contact the Case Control Office. If you have questions regarding a probationary modification or a probationary request, please contact the Compliance Office. Our offices may be reached at (614) 466-3934.