

BEFORE THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF :  
:  
ROBERT SCOTT BLANKENBURG, M.D. :

**ENTRY OF ORDER**

On February 3, 2010, Robert Scott Blankenburg, M.D., executed a Surrender of his license to practice medicine and surgery in Ohio with consent to revocation, which document is attached hereto and fully incorporated herein.

Wherefore, upon ratification by the Board of the surrender, it is hereby ORDERED that Certificate No. 35-051614 authorizing Robert Scott Blankenburg, M.D., to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Ohio be permanently REVOKED, effective March 10, 2010.

This Order is hereby entered upon the Journal of the State Medical Board of Ohio for the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2010, and the original thereof shall be kept with said Journal.

(SEAL)

*Lance A. Talmage, MD / BJS*  
Lance A. Talmage, M.D. *by authorization*  
Secretary

March 10, 2010

Date

**STATE OF OHIO  
THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD  
SURRENDER OF CERTIFICATE  
TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY**

I, Robert Scott Blankenburg, M.D., am aware of my rights to representation by counsel, the right of being formally charged and having a formal adjudicative hearing, and do hereby freely execute this document and choose to take the actions described herein.

I, Robert Scott Blankenburg, M.D., do hereby voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently surrender my certificate to practice medicine and surgery, License No. 35.051614, to the State Medical Board of Ohio [Board], thereby relinquishing all rights to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Ohio.

I understand that as a result of the surrender herein I am no longer permitted to practice medicine and surgery in any form or manner in the State of Ohio.

I agree that I shall be ineligible for, and shall not apply for, reinstatement or restoration of certificate to practice medicine and surgery, License No. 35.051614, or issuance of any other certificate pursuant to the authority of the State Medical Board of Ohio, on or after the date of signing this Surrender of Certificate to Practice Medicine and Surgery. Any such attempted reapplication shall be considered null and void and shall not be processed by the Board.

I hereby authorize the State Medical Board of Ohio to enter upon its Journal an Order permanently revoking my certificate to practice medicine and surgery, License No. 35.051614, in conjunction with which I expressly waive the provision of Section 4731.22(B), Ohio Revised Code, requiring that six (6) Board Members vote to revoke said certificate, and further expressly and forever waive all rights as set forth in Chapter 119., Ohio Revised Code, including but not limited to my right to counsel, right to a hearing, right to present evidence, right to cross-examine witnesses, and right to appeal the Order of the Board revoking my certificate to practice medicine and surgery.

I, Robert Scott Blankenburg, M.D., hereby release the Board, its members, employees, agents, officers and representatives jointly and severally from any and all liability arising from the within matter.

This document shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43, Ohio Revised Code. Further, this information may be reported to appropriate organizations, data banks and governmental bodies. I, Robert Scott Blankenburg, M.D., acknowledge that my social security number will be used if this information is so reported and agree to provide my social security number to the Board for such purposes.

Surrender of Certificate  
Robert Scott Blankenburg, M.D.

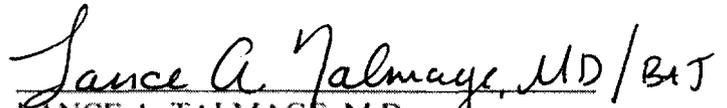
I admit all the factual and legal allegations contained in the July 8, 2009 Notice of Opportunity issued to me by the Board, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein. I further admit that on or about January 14, 2010, in the Court of Common Pleas, Butler County, Ohio, I entered into a Plea Agreement admitting my guilt to one felony count of Compelling Prostitution; two felony counts of Bribery; one felony count of Pandering Sexually Oriented Material; one felony count of Illegal Use of a Minor in Nudity Oriented Material; two felony counts of Unlawful Sexual Conduct with a Minor; and one felony count of Complicity to Deception to Obtain a Dangerous Drug. Further, I stipulate and agree that I am taking the action described herein in lieu of formal disciplinary proceedings pursuant to Sections 4731.22(B)(9) and 4731.22(B)(34), Ohio Revised Code.

EFFECTIVE DATE

It is expressly understood that this Surrender of Certificate is subject to ratification by the Board prior to signature by the Secretary and Supervising Member and shall become effective upon the last date of signature below.

  
ROBERT SCOTT BLANKENBURG, M.D.

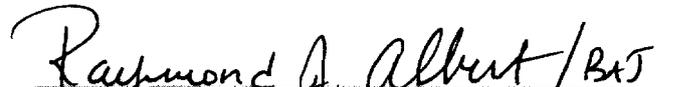
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LANCE A. TALMAGE, M.D. *by authorization*  
Secretary

March 10, 2010  
DATE

  
JOHN R. IRWIN, M.D., ESQ.  
Attorney for Dr. Blankenburg

2/3/10  
DATE

  
RAYMOND J. ALBERT *by authorization*  
Supervising Member

March 10, 2010  
DATE

  
DANIEL S. ZINSMaster, ESQ.  
Enforcement Attorney

2/9/2010  
DATE



# State Medical Board of Ohio

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July 8, 2009

Case number: 09-CRF- 081

Robert Scott Blankenburg, M.D.  
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Hamilton, Ohio 45013

Dear Doctor Blankenburg:

In accordance with Chapter 119., Ohio Revised Code, you are hereby notified that the State Medical Board of Ohio [Board] intends to determine whether or not to limit, revoke, permanently revoke, suspend, refuse to register or reinstate your certificate to practice medicine and surgery, or to reprimand you or place you on probation for one or more of the following reasons:

- (1)(a) On or about April 16, 2009, the Board issued an investigative Subpoena Duces Tecum directed to you, ordering production of the original patient records for the patients identified in the Confidential Patient Key attached to the subpoena. According to the terms of the subpoena, the patient records were to be provided on or before April 30, 2009. You failed to comply with this production deadline.
- (b) By certified letter dated May 5, 2009, the Board sent notice to you regarding your failure to comply with the subpoena, and directed you to send the requested records so they were received by the Board no later than May 19, 2009. Through a request received through your attorney's office, an extension was granted, and the records were to be produced no later than May 29, 2009. You failed to comply with this production deadline.
- (c) By certified letter dated June 4, 2009, the Board sent notice to you regarding your continued failure to comply with the subpoena, and directed you to send the requested records so they were received by the Board no later than June 16, 2009. You failed to comply with this production deadline.
- (d) By certified letter dated June 17, 2009, the Board sent notice to you regarding your continued failure to comply with the subpoena, and directed you to send the requested records so they were received by the Board no later than June 29, 2009. You failed to comply with this production deadline.
- (e) On or about July 2, 2009, you partially complied with the Board's subpoena dated April 16, 2009.

Your acts, conduct, and/or omissions as alleged in paragraph (1) above, individually and/or collectively, constitute "[f]ailure to cooperate in an investigation conducted by the board under division (F) of this section, including failure to comply with a subpoena or order issued by the

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board or failure to answer truthfully a question presented by the board at a deposition or in written interrogatories, except that failure to cooperate with an investigation shall not constitute grounds for discipline under this section if a court of competent jurisdiction has issued an order that either quashes a subpoena or permits the individual to withhold the testimony or evidence in issue," as that clause is used in Section 4731.22(B)(34), Ohio Revised Code.

Pursuant to Chapter 119., Ohio Revised Code, you are hereby advised that you are entitled to a hearing in this matter. If you wish to request such hearing, the request must be made in writing and must be received in the offices of the State Medical Board within thirty days of the time of mailing of this notice.

You are further advised that, if you timely request a hearing, you are entitled to appear at such hearing in person, or by your attorney, or by such other representative as is permitted to practice before this agency, or you may present your position, arguments, or contentions in writing, and that at the hearing you may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for or against you.

In the event that there is no request for such hearing received within thirty days of the time of mailing of this notice, the State Medical Board may, in your absence and upon consideration of this matter, determine whether or not to limit, revoke, permanently revoke, suspend, refuse to register or reinstate your certificate to practice medicine and surgery or to reprimand you or place you on probation.

Please note that, whether or not you request a hearing, Section 4731.22(L), Ohio Revised Code, provides that "[w]hen the board refuses to grant a certificate to an applicant, revokes an individual's certificate to practice, refuses to register an applicant, or refuses to reinstate an individual's certificate to practice, the board may specify that its action is permanent. An individual subject to a permanent action taken by the board is forever thereafter ineligible to hold a certificate to practice and the board shall not accept an application for reinstatement of the certificate or for issuance of a new certificate."

Copies of the applicable sections are enclosed for your information.

Very truly yours,



Lance A. Talmage, M.D.  
Secretary

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Enclosures

CERTIFIED MAIL #91 7108 2133 3936 3068 6939  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

cc: John R. Irwin, M.D., Esq.  
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Cleveland, Ohio 44132

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED