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**CONSENT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
RODNEY HILLMAN, P.A.  
AND  
THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO**

This Consent Agreement is entered into by and between Rodney Hillman, P.A., [Mr. Hillman] and the State Medical Board of Ohio [Board], a state agency charged with enforcing Chapter 4730., Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Hillman enters into this Consent Agreement being fully informed of his rights under Chapter 119., Ohio Revised Code, including the right to representation by counsel and the right to a formal adjudicative hearing on the issues considered herein.

**BASIS FOR ACTION**

This Consent Agreement is entered into on the basis of the following stipulations, admissions and understandings:

- A. The Board is empowered by Section 4730.25, Ohio Revised Code, to limit, revoke, suspend a certificate, refuse to register or reinstate an applicant, or reprimand or place on probation the holder of a certificate who is in violation of Section 4730.25(B)(2), Ohio Revised Code, “[f]ailure to comply with the requirements of this chapter, Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code, or any rules adopted by the board,” to wit: Sections 4730.02(A), “[n]o person shall hold himself or herself out as being able to function as a physician assistant, or use any words or letters indicating or implying that the person is a physician assistant, without a current, valid, certificate of registration or a temporary certificate of registration as a physician assistant issued pursuant to [Chapter 4730., Ohio Revised Code]” and Section 4730.02(D), Ohio Revised Code, “[n]o person shall practice as a physician assistant without having entered into a supervision agreement that has been approved by the state medical board;” and/or in violation of Section 4730.25(B)(15), Ohio Revised Code, “[c]ommission of an act in the course of practice that constitutes a misdemeanor in this state, regardless of the jurisdiction in which the act was committed,” to wit: Section 4730.99(A), for violation of Sections 4730.02(A) and (D), Ohio Revised Code.
- B. The Board enters into this Consent Agreement in lieu of formal proceedings based upon the violations of Section 4730.25(B)(2), Ohio Revised Code, to wit, Sections

4730.02(A) and (D), Ohio Revised Code, and Section 4730.25(B)(15), Ohio Revised Code, to wit, Section 4730.99(A), Ohio Revised Code, as set forth in Paragraph E, below, and expressly reserves the right to institute formal proceedings based upon any other violations of Chapter 4730. of the Revised Code, whether occurring before or after the effective date of this Consent Agreement.

- C. Mr. Hillman has submitted an application for restoration of his certificate of registration as a physician assistant in the State of Ohio, Certificate #50-001265, which lapsed on January 31, 2000, for failure to renew.
- D. Mr. Hillman states that he not licensed as a physician assistant in any other state or jurisdiction.
- E. Mr. Hillman admits that his certificate of registration as a physician assistant in the State of Ohio lapsed on January 31, 2000, for failure to renew, and remains inactive to date. Mr. Hillman further admits that at the time he was issued his certificate of registration as a physician assistant, the Board notified him in writing that such registration would expire on January 31, 2000.

Mr. Hillman further admits that he entered into a Physician Assistant Supervision Agreement [Supervision Agreement] with Marcus Cobb, M.D. [Dr. Cobb], and Billy Nichols, M.D. [Dr. Nichols], and that such Supervision Agreement was approved by this Board effective May 13, 1999. Mr. Hillman admits that such Supervision Agreement expired on January 31, 2001.

Mr. Hillman admits that he was employed as a physician assistant for Dr. Cobb and Dr. Nichols from February 1, 2000, through in or about April 2002, without a current certificate of registration as a physician assistant, and that he worked as a physician assistant for Dr. Cobb and Dr. Nichols from February 1, 2001, through in or about April 2002, without a current Board-approved Physician Assistant Supervision Agreement. Mr. Hillman states, and the Board acknowledges, that he reported that he was employed as a full-time physician assistant for Dr. Cobb and Dr. Nichols from January 2000 to April 2002 in conjunction with submitting his restoration application.

#### **AGREED CONDITIONS**

Wherefore, in consideration of the foregoing and mutual promises hereinafter set forth, and in lieu of any formal proceedings at this time, Mr. Hillman's certificate of registration as a physician assistant in the State of Ohio shall be restored upon receipt and appropriateness of necessary documentation, and Mr. Hillman knowingly and voluntarily agrees with the Board to the following:

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**REPRIMAND**

Mr. Hillman shall be and is hereby REPRIMANDED.

**REQUIRED REPORTING BY LICENSEE**

Within thirty days of the effective date of this Consent Agreement, Mr. Hillman shall provide a copy of this Consent Agreement to all employers or entities with which he is under contract to provide health care services or is receiving training; and the Chief of Staff at each hospital where he has privileges or appointments. Further, for a period of five years following the effective date of this Consent Agreement, Mr. Hillman shall provide a copy of this Consent Agreement to all employers or entities with which he contracts to provide health care services, or applies for or receives training, and the Chief of Staff at each hospital where he applies for or obtains privileges or appointments.

Within thirty days of the effective date of this Consent Agreement, Mr. Hillman shall provide a copy of this Consent Agreement by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the proper licensing authority of any state or jurisdiction in which he currently holds any professional license. Further, for a period of five years following the effective date of this Consent Agreement, Mr. Hillman further agrees to provide a copy of this Consent Agreement by certified mail, return receipt requested, at time of application to the proper licensing authority of any state in which he applies for any professional license or for reinstatement of any professional license. Further, Mr. Hillman shall provide this Board with a copy of the return receipt as proof of notification within thirty days of receiving that return receipt.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENTS/LIABILITY RELEASE**

Mr. Hillman acknowledges that he has had an opportunity to ask questions concerning the terms of this Consent Agreement and that all questions asked have been answered in a satisfactory manner.

Any action initiated by the Board based on alleged violations of this Consent Agreement shall comply with the Administrative Procedure Act, Chapter 119., Ohio Revised Code.

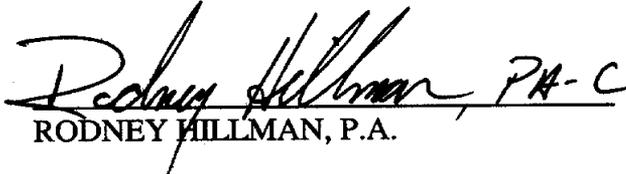
Mr. Hillman hereby releases the Board, its members, employees, agents, officers and representatives jointly and severally from any and all liability arising from the within matter.

This Consent Agreement shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43, Ohio Revised Code, and may be reported to appropriate organizations, data banks, and governmental bodies. Mr. Hillman agrees to provide his social security number to the Board and hereby authorizes the Board to utilize that number in conjunction with that reporting.

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**EFFECTIVE DATE**

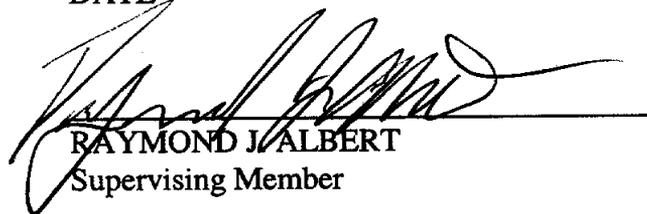
It is expressly understood that this Consent Agreement is subject to ratification by the Board prior to signature by the Secretary and Supervising Member and shall become effective upon the last date of signature below.

  
RODNEY HILLMAN, P.A.

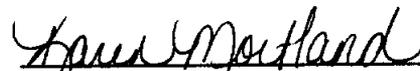
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LANCE A. TALMAGE, M.D.  
Secretary

 12-11-03  
DATE

  
RAYMOND J. ALBERT  
Supervising Member

12/9/03  
DATE

  
KAREN MORTLAND  
Enforcement Attorney

12/3/03  
DATE