

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Formal Action Mailing List

FROM: Lauren Lubow, Senior Executive Staff Attorney

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Please find below a summary of actions taken or initiated by the State Medical Board of Ohio in March 2005.

### CITATIONS/PROPOSED DENIALS

**JELKOVAC**, Sharon Jane (PA applicant) - Cleveland

Proposal to deny application for registration as a physician assistant issued based on allegations that, in the course of her employment from approximately 4/97 to the present, applicant performed duties for which she was not properly registered. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 3/10/05.

**PRADA**, German Virgilio (MD #35-039814) - Dayton

Based on doctor allegedly having issued or authorized the prescription of dangerous and/or controlled drugs to 14 specified patients during a time period when his license was suspended pursuant to the terms of a 3/10/04 Board Order. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 3/10/05.

**PROCHOROFF**, Andre (MD training certificate #57-005407/MD applicant) - Cleveland

Based on applicant's alleged failure to provide complete and accurate information on application for full licensure pertaining to performance issues during his neurology residency at the Cleveland Clinic. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 3/10/05.

**STURMI**, James Edward (MD #35-060676) - Mt. Vernon

Based on doctor's alleged failure to comply with specified conditions of limitation imposed on his license by 8/14/02 consent agreement. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 3/10/05.

#### FINAL ORDERS

**HUTCHINSON**, Roy Merle (MD applicant) - Petersburg, MI

Application for medical licensure permanently denied based on applicant's failure to provide complete and accurate information on licensure application and in response to interrogatories pertaining to his treatment of and sexual involvement with a specified patient, as well as to the status of his New York license. Order mailed 3/11/05; Order effective 3/11/05.

**RAUS**, Russell James (DPM #36-001512) - Garfield Heights

Medical license suspended; conditions for reinstatement/restoration and subsequent probationary terms, conditions and limitations for ten years established. Based on doctor's inability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to vascular dementia. Order mailed 3/24/05; Order effective 3/24/05.

**SYKES**, Evan Laythe (DO training certificate #58-001376) - Marietta, OH/Pikeville, KY

Application for medical licensure permanently denied and medical training certificate permanently revoked based on applicant's admission that he issued prescriptions for controlled substances to individuals who were not patients of the residency program in which he was participating; that he wrote prescriptions in the names of individuals for whom the medication was not intended; and that he failed to maintain proper documentation of such prescribing. Order mailed 3/24/05; Order effective 3/24/05.

#### CONSENT AGREEMENTS

**ALLEN**, David E. (MD #35-050640) - New Albany

Medical license suspended for at least one year; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that doctor enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions and limitations to monitor practice. Based on doctor's admitted relapse and failure to comply with conditions of limitation imposed on his license by 2/12/03 consent agreement. Agreement effective 3/9/05.

**BARSOUM**, Wael Kamal (MD #35-072588) - Westlake

Doctor reprimanded and terms, conditions and limitations imposed based on prior action by Florida's medical board, which action was the result of doctor having operated on the wrong knee of a specified patient. Agreement effective 3/9/05.

**BURGHARDT**, Michael Bruce (MD #35-064527) - Newark

Medical license suspended for at least 90 days; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that doctor enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions and limitations to monitor practice. Based on doctor's admission that his ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care is impaired due to alcohol relapse, for which he has sought treatment through a Board-approved provider. Agreement effective 3/9/05.

**DENNISON**, Patrick Robert (DO #34-003779) - Cleveland

Medical license suspended for at least one year; reinstatement conditions and subsequent probationary terms, conditions and limitations for at least five years established. Based on doctor's admission that he engaged in sexual contact with a patient while he was treating her for conditions including depression. Agreement effective 3/10/05.

**MASIMORE**, Gregory Scott (MD #35-066335) - Toledo

Medical license suspended for at least 90 days; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that doctor enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions and limitations to monitor practice. Based on doctor's admission that his ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care is impaired due to alcohol dependency relapse, for which he has sought treatment through a Board-approved provider. Agreement effective 3/10/05.

**MURTAGH**, William Owen, Jr. (MD #35-047907) - Maumee

Medical license reinstated subject to probationary terms, conditions and limitations imposed to monitor practice based on doctor having been deemed capable of practicing according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care so long as certain treatment and monitoring conditions are in place. Agreement effective 3/10/05; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

**SKOBLAR**, Richard S. (MD #35-038099) - Akron

Suspension imposed by 10/15/04 consent agreement superceded by suspension for at least one year, such time to be calculated from the effective date of this agreement; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that doctor enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions and limitations to monitor practice. Based on doctor's

violation of conditions of limitation imposed on his license by 10/15/04 consent agreement due to relapse, for which he has sought treatment through a Board-approved provider. Agreement effective 3/9/04.

**STORROW**, Alan B. (MD #35-060445) - Cincinnati

Medical license suspended for at least one year; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that doctor enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions and limitations to monitor practice. Based on doctor's violation of conditions of limitation imposed on his license by 12/10/03 consent agreement due to relapse, for which he has sought treatment through a Board-approved provider. Agreement effective 3/9/05.

**WARREN**, Michael Craig (DO #34-008173) - Toledo

Medical license reinstated subject to probationary terms, conditions and limitations based on doctor having been deemed capable of practicing according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care so long as certain treatment and monitoring conditions are in place. Agreement effective 3/10/05; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

**ZINNI**, Gregory Stephen (MD #35-049784) - Canfield

Medical license reinstated subject to probationary terms, conditions and limitations based on doctor having been deemed capable of practicing according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care; and on his having plead guilty to and been found eligible for intervention in lieu of conviction of Illegal Processing of Drug Documents. Agreement effective 3/10/05; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

**ZINNI**, Richard Allan (DO #34-003785) - Richmond Heights

Medical license suspended for at least 180 days; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that doctor enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions and limitations to monitor practice. Based on doctor's admissions that he was diagnosed pursuant to a Board-ordered evaluation with chemical dependence, for which he has sought treatment through a Board-approved provider; that he diverted hydrocodone, which was obtained for use in his practice, for his own use; and that he failed to maintain complete records concerning his purchase and distribution of controlled substances as required by state and federal law. Agreement effective 3/9/05.

#### VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS/RETIREMENTS

**MEYERS**, Martin L. (MD #35-050601) - Page, AZ

Permanent voluntary surrender of medical license accepted by Board in lieu of formal disciplinary proceedings based on prior action by Arizona's medical board. Effective 3/8/05.

**TATE**, Larry Raymont (MD #35-035815) - Columbus

Permanent voluntary surrender of medical license accepted by Board in lieu of further formal disciplinary proceedings based on doctor's admission to factual allegations set forth in Board's 10/13/04 Notice of Summary Suspension and Opportunity for Hearing. Effective 3/3/05.

**TUCK**, Kelle (PA #50-000673) - Lima

Non-permanent surrender of physician assistant's registration accepted by Board and conditions for reinstatement/restoration established in lieu of formal disciplinary proceedings. Action based on P.A.'s admission that on or about 11/11/04, she was arrested related to alleged drug-seeking behavior, and that such criminal charges remain pending at this time. Effective 2/23/05.

#### APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

**LAJOS**, Paul Scott (MD applicant) - Chicago, IL

Request for permanent withdrawal of application for medical licensure accepted by Board in lieu of formal disciplinary proceedings based on applicant's failure to disclose on his Ohio licensure application that he had been on academic probation during his residencies at the University of Chicago and at the Graduate Hospital in Philadelphia, PA, and had formerly held a temporary license to practice medicine in Illinois. Effective 3/8/05.

#### PROBATION MODIFIED

**BENSON**, Robert Malcolm (MD #35-037331) - Canton

Doctor's request to reduce required personal appearances to every six months granted by vote of the Board on 3/10/05.

**CRAWFORD**, Steven Warren (MD #35-067148) - Portsmouth

Doctor's requests to reduce required drug screens to twice per month and for permission to apply for reinstatement of his DEA privileges, provided that he does not possess or personally furnish controlled substances, granted by vote of the Board on 3/10/05.

**CURTIS**, Boyd D. (MD #35-059531) - Columbus

Doctor's requests to reduce required personal appearances to every six months and required drug screens to twice per month granted by vote of the Board on 3/10/05.

**DE LA FLOR**, Richard R. (MD #35-047505) - Toledo

Doctor's requests to reduce required personal appearances to every six months and required drug screens to twice per month granted by vote of the Board on 3/10/05.

**MORRIS**, Louise Delyte (PA #50-000354) - Cedarville

Physician assistant's request to reduce frequency of required alcohol and drug rehabilitation meetings to twice per week, with a minimum of ten per month, granted by vote of the Board on 3/10/05.

**POJE**, Joanne (MD #35-078117) - Columbus

Doctor's request to reduce frequency of required counseling sessions to once per month granted by vote of the Board on 3/10/05.

**WOODROW**, Virginia Catherine (MD #35-047163) - Lima

Doctor's request to reduce required psychiatric sessions to once per month granted by vote of the Board on 3/10/05.

#### PROBATION TERMINATED

**MCNUTT**, Robert A. (MD #35-065130) - Avon

Doctor's request for release from terms of 3/8/00 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 3/9/05.

**NOBLE**, William Howard, III (DO #34-004272) - Mansfield

Doctor's request for release from terms of 3/8/00 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 3/9/05.

#### COURT ACTIONS

**FIERRA**, Jeffrey James (MD #35-031774) - Cleveland

By Decision and Entry filed on 3/15/05, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas granted doctor's motion for a stay of Board's 1/12/05 indefinite suspension Order,

conditioned on requirement that doctor not perform any services for which a bill would be submitted, either directly or indirectly, to the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation. (NOTE: Prior to stay, license suspended from 2/4/05 until 3/15/05.)

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 <http://www.med.ohio.gov/> under "Physician Profile and Status." If you have questions or need additional details about specific cases, please contact Annette Jones at (614) 728-3686.