

**STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO
FORMAL ACTION REPORT – June 2007**

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Listed below is a summary of the disciplinary actions taken or initiated by the State Medical Board of Ohio in June 2007 and an update of Board matters pending in courts as of the date of this document.

PRE-HEARING SUSPENSION

FORD, Justin Gregor (MD Training Certificate #57-012537) – Kettering, OH

Pursuant to Section 4731.22(G), O.R.C., medical license summarily suspended based on Board's determination that there is clear and convincing evidence that doctor is impaired in the ability to practice due to use and/or abuse of drugs and alcohol, for which impairment doctor has not entered treatment, and that doctor's continued practice presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public. Suspension effective 6/13/07. (*See also: Citations/Proposed Denials below*)

CHILD SUPPORT DEFAULT NON-RENEWAL

WASSIL, John George, III (MD #35-077968) – Sharon, PA

Pursuant to determination of the Trumbull County Child Support Enforcement Agency that doctor is in default under a child support order, doctor's lapsed medical license can not be renewed or reinstated until such time as the Board receives notice from the Trumbull County Child Support Enforcement Agency that doctor is no longer determined to be in default. Non-renewal effective 6/6/07.

CITATIONS & PROPOSED DENIALS

CASTLE, Lon A. (MD #35-066505) Franklin Lakes, NJ

Based on doctor's alleged false, fraudulent, deceptive or misleading statements on Ohio renewal application in certifying that CME requirements had been completed when they had not and alleged violation of CME audit requirements. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/14/07.

FORD, Justin Gregor (MD Training Certificate #57-012537) – Kettering, OH

Based on doctor's alleged impairment of 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 6/14/07.

HICKS, James Thomas (MD #35-027026) – Frenchville, PA

By Order and Entry issued 6/13/07, the 5/10/07 citation issued to doctor was dismissed as moot due to doctor's death.

JAKYMENKO, George (MD #35-050108) – Canton, OH

Based on doctor's alleged failure to cooperate in an investigation conducted by the Board, including failing to comply with a subpoena issued by the Board and failure to answer questions presented by the Board in written interrogatories. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/14/07.

JOHNSON, Carolyn Elizabeth (MD #35-069726) – Taylor, MI

Based on doctor's alleged failure to cooperate in an investigation by the Board, including failure to comply with a subpoena issued by the Board and failure to answer questions presented by the Board in written interrogatories. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/14/07.

KENNEN, James Michael (DO #34-004546) – Lakewood, OH (Amended summary)

Proposal to deny licensure based on doctor's alleged impairment of ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to relapse on alcohol. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 3/15/07.

KIM, Choong Hong (MD #35-038512) – Ashtabula, OH

Based on doctor's alleged commission of acts constituting a felony, to wit: gross sexual imposition; and alleged making a false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statement in securing or attempting to secure renewal of doctor's Ohio medical license. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/14/07.

MAI, David Chi (DPM Training Certificate #59-000197) – Cleveland, OH

Based on applicant's alleged failure to furnish satisfactory proof of good moral character, the basis being, as set forth in the 3/14/07 notice of opportunity for hearing, doctor's having been convicted in Tennessee of one felony count of Theft of Currency and alleged dismissal from a podiatric medical school for dishonesty. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/14/07.

MCFARLAND, Coleen Ann (LMT applicant) – Lorain, OH

Based on applicant's alleged impairment of 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, as determined by a Board-approved treatment provider following a Board-ordered evaluation. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/14/07.

REIS, Robert D. (MD #35-063656) – Hilliard, OH

Based on doctor's alleged false, fraudulent, deceptive or misleading statements on Ohio renewal application by certifying that CME requirements had been completed when they had not and alleged violation of CME audit requirements. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 6/14/07.

FINAL DISCIPLINARY ORDERS

GREER, Steven Franklin (MD Training Certificate #57-007242) – Cleveland, OH

Permanent revocation of training certificate stayed, with training certificate suspended for at least three years; interim monitoring conditions, conditions for reinstatement, and subsequent probationary terms, conditions, and limitations for at least five years established. Based on doctor's violation of conditions of limitation imposed on training certificate by 1/12/05 Board Order and 3/8/06 consent agreement; making false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statements in

documents submitted to the Board; and impaired ability to practice due to use and/or abuse of drugs, alcohol, or other substances. Order effective 6/26/07.

MENON, Venu Gopal (MD #35-054426) – Troy, OH

Medical license permanently revoked. Based on doctor's violation of conditions of limitation placed on medical license by the Board's 5/14/03 Order due to doctor's failure to submit required reports and notifications, and on prior action by Nebraska's medical board in accepting doctor's surrender of licensure in that state for at least two years. Order effective 6/15/07.

CONSENT AGREEMENTS

BROWN, Erica R. (MD Training Certificate #57-012531) – Columbus, OH

Doctor reprimanded and probationary terms, conditions, and limitations established for at least one year. Based on doctor's prior actions in a domestic dispute for which criminal charges against the doctor were dismissed following doctor's successful completion of a deferred prosecution program. Agreement effective 6/13/07.

CARRAN, Todd S. (MD #35-070896) – Crestview Hills, KY

Medical license suspended for at least 18 months from 9/13/06; 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 disclosure of conduct resulting in doctor's criminal indictment in 2006 on felony counts of Aggravated Possession of Drugs, to which doctor has entered a plea of guilty, and Carrying Concealed Weapons, which charge was dismissed. Agreement effective 6/13/07.

FRANKOWSKI, Deborah Lynne (MD #35-071191) – Loveland, OH

Medical license suspended for an indefinite period of time, at least until doctor cooperates fully in providing to the Board requested information relative to doctor's obtaining controlled substances for self-use; 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 impairment of ability to practice medicine according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to the habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs, with the doctor's drug of choice being hydrocodone, for which doctor has sought treatment through a Board-approved treatment provider. Agreement effective 6/13/07.

HENSON, Mark Owen (MD #35-076766) – Greenfield, OH

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 6/13/07; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

KENNEN, James Michael (DO #34-009065) – Lakewood, OH

Medical license granted, then suspended for at least two years; 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 of inability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to relapse on alcohol. Agreement effective 6/13/07.

SHAW, Christopher S. (MD Training Certificate #57-006421) – Akron, OH

Training certificate 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 6/13/07; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

VAN WAGONER, Kerrie (PA #50-001795) – Centerville, OH

Physician assistant license suspended for an indefinite period of time, at least until physician assistant cooperates fully in providing the Board with requested information relative to obtaining controlled substances for self-use; 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 physician assistant's admission of having been diagnosed with depression and opiate dependence, with the drug of choice being Vicoprofen, for which physician assistant has sought treatment by a Board-approved treatment provider, and of having been determined to be impaired in ability to practice medicine according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to the habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs. Agreement effective 6/13/07.

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

SAVAGE, Terri Lynne (MD #35-075415) – Dayton, OH

Board Order permanently revoking doctor's medical license as authorized by doctor in lieu of formal disciplinary proceedings based upon, and as an essential part of, a negotiated plea agreement related to criminal charges pending against doctor for conduct relative to doctor's use and/or abuse of drugs. Effective 6/13/07.

PROBATION COMPLETED

APPLEGATE, Gerald Brian (MD #35-065717) – Miami, FL

Probation terminated pursuant to terms of 6/14/07 Board Order. (*added to CAVU 6/18*)

DYE, Leslie R. (MD #35-056829) – Cincinnati, OH

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 6/12/02 Consent Agreement granted by Board vote on 6/13/07. Release from probation effective 6/13/07.

GOTTSCHALK, Todd Gilbert (DO #34-006902) – Las Vegas, NV

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 4/13/05 Consent Agreement granted by Board vote on 6/13/07. Release from probation effective 6/22/07.

HABERBERGER, Tammy Marie (DO #34-009050) – Massillon, OH

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 6/08/05 Consent Agreement granted by Board vote on 6/13/07. Release from probation effective 6/13/07.

WAHL, Kelli Dawn (LMT #33-005757) – Zanesville, OH

Massage therapist's request for release from the terms of the 6/12/02 Consent Agreement granted by Board vote on 6/13/07. Release from probation effective 6/13/07.

YANG, Paul Po-Tsang (MD #35-071034) – Wilmington, OH

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 4/14/05 Board Order granted by Board vote on 6/13/07. Release from probation effective 6/15/07.

PROBATION – MONITORING TERMS MODIFIED

AMOILS, Steve (MD #35-059500) – Cincinnati, OH

Doctor's request to reduce required personal appearances to once a year granted by Board vote on 6/14/07.

BANKS, Mark Andrew (MD #35-071099) – Lancaster, OH

Doctor's request to reduce required personal appearances to every six months, reduce required urine screens to two per month, reduce required steroid testing to every three months, and eliminate required chart review granted by Board vote on 6/14/07.

HASSINK, George V. (MD #35-045682) – Van Buren, OH

Doctor's request to reduce required psychiatric sessions to every three months, reduce required urine screens to two per month, and discontinue required attendance at caduceus meetings granted by Board vote on 6/14/07.

HUGUNIN, Ralph Arden (MD #35-078316) – North Ridgeville, OH

Doctor's request to reduce required personal appearances to once per year granted by Board vote on 6/14/07.

MYERS, Philip F., Jr. (MD #35-039262) – Stow, OH

Doctor's request to reduce required personal appearances to every six months and eliminate required controlled substances log granted by Board vote on 6/14/07.

POJE, Joanne (MD #35-078117) – Chillicothe, OH

Doctor's proposed practice plan for practice in an urgent care facility approved by Board vote on 6/14/07.

PRASAD, Kolli Mohan (MD #35-041939) – Boardman, OH

Doctor's proposed practice plan for locum tenens practice at a VA Medical Center in North Carolina approved by Board vote on 6/14/07.

STANEK, Michael James (DO #34-004882) – Columbus, OH

Doctor's request to discontinue required chart review granted by Board vote on 6/14/07.

WARREN, Michael Craig (DO #34-008173) – Willoughby, OH

Doctor's request to reduce required personal appearances to every six months and increase work hours to 84 hours a week every other week granted by Board vote on 6/14/07.

COURT ACTION UPDATE

DOUGLAS, Janice Electra Green (MD #35-039559) – Bratenahl, OH

By Decision and Entry filed on 5/31/07, the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas affirmed Board's 6/14/06 Order.

POLITI, Barry Joseph (MD applicant) – Jackson, MS

By opinion rendered on 5/10/07, 10th District Court of Appeals affirmed the judgment of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, which had affirmed the Board's 11/9/05 Order.

HAIJ-HAMED, GHASSAN (MD #35-069745) – Cincinnati, OH

By opinion filed on 5/24/07 and Entry filed on 5/25/07, the 10th District Court of Appeals affirmed the judgment of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, which had affirmed the Board's 1/12/05 Order.

RIDGEWAY, Joseph Aloysius, IV (MD #35-062021) – Columbus, OH

Notice of Appeal of the 4/27/07 Entry of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, which affirmed the Board's 2/8/06 Order, filed with the 10th District Court of Appeals on 5/30/07.

Non-Disciplinary Administrative Actions

Withdrawal of Application

PETTY, Glenn Gregg (DPM applicant) – Texarkana, TX

Applicant's request to permanently withdraw application for podiatric medicine license accepted by Board. Effective 6/13/07. **(Non-disciplinary)**

Approval of Application

KARIMI, Mohsen (MD #35-090040) – Shaker Hts, OH

Application for licensure granted based on determination that doctor completed an examination sequence acceptable to Board. Order effective 6/26/07. (Non-disciplinary)

Please note that revocation and suspension Orders are not always effective immediately. If you have questions about effective dates or conditions governing a licensee'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://med.ohio.gov/> under "*Licensee Profile and Status.*" If you have questions or need additional details about specific cases, please contact Annette Jones at (614) 728-3686.