

**STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO
FORMAL ACTION REPORT – December 2005**

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Listed below is a summary of the disciplinary actions taken or initiated by the State Medical Board of Ohio in December 2005.

CITATIONS & PROPOSED DENIALS

HUMES, Katherine A. (MD #35-068502) Somerset, OH

Based on doctor's alleged impairment of ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care and violation of conditions of limitation imposed on her license by 9/9/04 consent agreement due to a positive urine screen. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 12/15/05.

KING, John Anderson (DO #34- 004277) Orlando, FL

Based on doctor's alleged failure to provide complete and accurate information on his application for licensure in Ohio. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 12/15/05.

MITCHELL, Mark Anthony (LMT #33-007822) Canton, OH

Based on licensee's alleged violation of conditions of the terms for reinstatement of his license imposed by the 5/14/03 Board Order. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 12/15/05.

MUKHERJEE, Mukunda D (MD #35-042887) Flint, MI

Based on prior action against doctor's license by Michigan's medical board due to criminal charges of one felony count of Conspiracy to Illegally Distribute Schedule II, III and VI Controlled Substances and 53 felony counts of Illegal Distribution of Schedule II, III and V Controlled Substances. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 12/15/05.

OKORO, Chijoke Victor; aka OKORO, Victor aka OKORO, Chiji V. (MD #35-047675) Houston, TX

Based on doctor having been found guilty of 15 felony counts of mail fraud and aiding and abetting; three felony counts of filing false federal income tax returns; seven felony counts of health care fraud and aiding and abetting; prior action against the doctor's license by the Texas medical board; and action by the US Department of Health and Human Services. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 12/15/05.

SHORT, Robert F (MD training certificate #57-010592) Columbus, OH

Based upon the doctor's alleged impairment of ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to alcohol dependence. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 12/15/05.

CITATIONS & PROPOSED DENIALS continued

TOWARD, Brett E (MD #35-075173) Mansfield, OH

Based upon the doctor's alleged failure to provide complete and accurate information on his licensure application regarding two misdemeanor convictions and his licensure renewal application regarding a DUI conviction; his alleged failure to provide complete and accurate information on credentialing applications to health insurance companies, professional liability insurance carriers, and applications for hospital privileges; and his alleged failure to arrange on-call coverage for his private practice, while working as a *locum tenens* physician in hospital emergency departments. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 12/15/05.

FINAL DISCIPLINARY ORDERS

ALLEN, Jamal (LMT applicant) Cleveland, OH

Application for certificate to practice massage therapy permanently denied based on applicant having been convicted of felonies in six unrelated cases since 1990; and on his failure to provide complete and accurate information on his application regarding his criminal history. (Review and Journal Entry - no hearing requested). Order mailed 12/15/05; Order effective 12/15/05.

DOAN, Binh Quoc (MD #35-076728) Orange Park , FL

Medical license suspended for 30 days with reporting requirements for two years following effective date of Board Order. Based on doctor's failure to provide complete and accurate information on licensure applications in Ohio and Florida pertaining to his having been criminally charged with DUI in West Virginia in 2002 and his having subsequently been found guilty of Reckless Driving, a misdemeanor. Order mailed 12/28/05; Order effective 12/28/05.

ESSA, Yazeed Mansi (MD #35-072322) Akron, OH

Medical license revoked based on doctor's violation of conditions of limitation imposed on his license by 5/12/04 consent agreement due to failure to provide urine samples for screening and failure to appear for a quarterly, scheduled interview. (Review and Journal Entry - no hearing requested). Order mailed 12/15/05; Order effective 12/15/05.

HALL, Adam Patrick (DO #34-008707) Columbus, OH

Application for medical licensure granted subject to suspension for 30 days; subsequent probationary terms, conditions, and limitations for a period of at least two years established. Based on applicant having made fraudulent statements to the Acting Director of Medical Education for his residency program pertaining to his failure to appear or respond to pages when he was on-call. Order mailed 12/16/05; Order effective 1/17/06.

KEGLER, James L. (MD #35-039513) Cincinnati, OH

Medical license permanently revoked based on doctor's failure to provide complete and accurate information on Kentucky licensure application pertaining to a past felony conviction in Ohio, and his failure to provide complete and accurate information on Ohio licensure renewal application pertaining to action taken by Kentucky's board against his license in that state. Order mailed 12/16/05; Order effective 12/16/05.

FINAL DISCIPLINARY ORDERS continued

LEWIS, Carol Elaine (MD #35-061461) Cleveland, OH

Medical license revoked based on doctor's impairment of ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care and violation of conditions of limitation imposed on her license by 7/9/03 consent agreement due to positive urine screen. (Review and Journal Entry - no hearing requested) Order mailed 12/15/05; Order effective 12/15/05.

LONERGAN, John Michael (MD #35-041091) Parma, OH

Medical license permanently revoked based on doctor having been found guilty of eight felony counts involving tax evasion, mail fraud and health care fraud. Order mailed 12/16/05; Order effective 12/16/05.

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

Medical license permanently revoked based on doctor's violation of conditions imposed on license by 5/14/03 Board Order; and action against doctor's license by Nebraska's medical board following doctor's admission to factual allegations enumerating substandard care and treatment practices. (Review and Journal Entry - no hearing requested) Order mailed 12/15/05; Order effective 12/15/05.

PRICE, Richard Daniel (MD #35-068829) Birmingham, AL

Application for restoration of medical license permanently denied based on doctor's plea of guilty to a felony charge of Carrying a Weapon on an Aircraft; prior action against doctor's Alabama and Georgia medical licenses based on that conviction; and inability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care by reason of mental illness. Order mailed 12/16/05; Order effective 12/16/05.

RICH, Craig Louis (MD #35-064127) Massillon, OH

Medical license revoked based on impairment of ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs/alcohol, as evidenced by positive urine screens, and violation of conditions of limitation imposed on license by 10/99 consent agreement. Order mailed 12/16/05; Order effective 12/16/05.

RICKEY, Charles Christian (PA #50-002408) Haverhill, OH

Application for registration to practice as a physician assistant granted subject to probationary terms, conditions, and limitations for a period of at least three years. Based on applicant having been convicted of Bank Fraud, a felony; and prior action against applicant's physician assistant certificate by Kentucky's medical board based on that conviction. Order mailed 12/28/05; Order effective 12/28/05.

SHOR, Steven John (MD #35-060259) Amherst, OH

Medical license revoked based on doctor's violation of conditions of limitation imposed on his license by 3/21/03 consent agreement due to his failure to comply. Order mailed 12/16/05; Order effective 12/16/05.

FINAL DISCIPLINARY ORDERS continued

STANG, Robert Martin (DO #34-006233) Flat Rock, MI

Medical license permanently revoked based on doctor having been found guilty of two misdemeanor counts of Fourth Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct; and on prior actions against doctor's license by Michigan's osteopathic medical board based on that criminal offense and underlying acts. Order mailed 12/16/05; Order effective 12/16/05.

CONSENT AGREEMENTS

BRANDT, Robert L. Jr., (MD #35-046724) Dayton, OH

Medical license indefinitely suspended; 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 impairment of doctor's ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to habitual or excessive use or abuse of alcohol and drugs. Agreement effective 12/14/05.

ECK, Tania Renee (LMT #33-015109) Lancaster, OH

Application for registration as massage therapist granted, subject to probationary terms, conditions and limitations imposed to monitor practice. Based on her having been deemed capable of practicing massage therapy according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care so long as certain treatment and monitoring conditions are in place. Agreement effective 12/14/05; agreement to remain in effect for at least forty-three months prior to any request for termination.

FRYMAN, Ryan S (DO #34-008473) Columbus, OH

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 impairment of doctor's ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to habitual or excessive use or abuse of alcohol. Agreement effective 12/14/05.

NGUYEN, Thomas Anh (MD #35-077860) New Cumberland, PA

Doctor reprimanded. Terms, conditions and limitations imposed by 9/03 Board Order remain in effect. Based upon his having pleaded guilty in the Circuit Court of St. Louis County, Missouri on or about 1/27/03 to three misdemeanor counts of attempt to fraudulently obtain a controlled substance; and prior actions taken against his medical license by the Arkansas medical board. Agreement effective 12/14/05.

SNYDER, Matthew A. (LMT #33-014161) Luckey, OH

License to practice massage therapy indefinitely suspended; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that licensee enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions and limitations to monitor practice. Based on impairment of licensee's ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to habitual or excessive use or abuse of alcohol for which he sought treatment through a Board-approved treatment provider. Agreement effective 12/14/05.

CONSENT AGREEMENTS continued

RISE, Leroy P (MD training certificate #57-008684) Columbus, OH

Medical 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 12/14/05; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

SHAW, Christopher S (MD training certificate #57-006421) Akron, OH

October 2004 Consent Agreement and the January 2005 Addendum terminated effective 12/14/05. Medical training certificate suspended for at least one year from the date of completion of residential treatment for chemical dependency. Based on violation of conditions of limitation imposed by the 10/04 consent agreement and impairment of the doctor's ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to his relapse on cocaine. Agreement effective 12/14/05.

STEVENSON, William Cage (MD #35-046537) West Allis, WI

Medical license suspended for at least 180 days; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that licensee enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions and limitations to monitor practice. Based on impairment of licensee's ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to habitual or excessive use methylphenidate for which he sought treatment through a Board-approved treatment provider. Agreement effective 12/14/05.

ZIMMERMAN, James F (DPM #36-002579) Barberton, OH

License to practice podiatric medicine and surgery suspended for at least 270 days; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that licensee enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions and limitations to monitor practice. Based on impairment of licensee's ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to drug and alcohol dependency and abuse for which he sought treatment through a Board-approved treatment provider. Agreement effective 12/15/05.

ZINNI, Richard A (DO #34-003785) Richmond Heights, 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 12/14/05; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS

AMIEWALAN, Anthony O (MD #35-061785) Sidney, OH

Permanent revocation of medical license authorized by doctor in lieu of formal disciplinary action based on denial of doctor's application for medical licensure by Kansas' medical board, which

was itself based upon doctor's failure to respond to the Kansas board's Response in Opposition to Application for Licensure and Proposed Default Order concerning the doctor's surrender of **VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS continued**

medical staff privileges at an Ohio hospital, while under investigation for substandard or inadequate care and for filing false reports or falsifying records. Effective 12/14/05.

GAYTON, Samuel E (MD #35-060993) Westerville, OH

Permanent surrender of medical license authorized by doctor in lieu of formal disciplinary action based upon his having prescribed controlled substances without maintaining medical records in compliance with Rule 4731-11-02(D), Ohio Administrative Code. Effective 12/14/05.

POWELL, William E II (MD #35-025499) Houston, TX

Permanent surrender of medical license authorized by doctor in lieu of formal disciplinary action based upon prior action taken against his license by the Texas medical board where he was found to have failed to meet the standard of care in the treatment of two patients in his practice of obstetrics and gynecology. Effective 12/14/05.

SWANINGER, Nancy (LMT #33-004723) Dayton, OH

Permanent revocation of license to practice massage therapy authorized by licensee in lieu of formal disciplinary action based upon her having pleaded guilty to theft of drugs, a felony, and that the criminal prosecution resulted from theft of Vicodin from a hospital's automated medical management system during the period from on or about October 2001 through May 2002, while working as a registered nurse pursuant to an Ohio nursing license. Effective 12/14/05.

WILSON, Lee Adam (LMT #33-009895) Centerville, OH

Permanent revocation of license to practice massage therapy authorized by licensee in lieu of formal disciplinary action based on his having been found guilty of Sexual Imposition based upon sexual contact with a client during a massage therapy session. Effective 12/14/05.

PROBATION COMPLETED

SHEGOG, Don R (MD #35-032127) Cincinnati, OH

Doctor's request for release from terms of 12/13/00 Board Order granted by vote of the Board on 12/14/05.

PROBATION – MONITORING TERMS MODIFIED

BROCK, David T (DO #34-007161) London, OH

Doctor's request to discontinue chart monitoring requirement was granted by vote of the Board on 12/15/05.

CRAWFORD, Steven W (MD #35-067148) Portsmouth, OH

Doctor's requests to discontinue chart monitoring requirement, and to reduce AA attendance requirement from four meetings per week to at least two meetings a week, with a minimum of ten per month, were granted by vote of the Board on 12/15/05.

PROBATION – MONITORING TERMS MODIFIED continued

ERNST, David C (MD #35-060456) Sandusky, OH

Doctor's requests for reduction in appearance schedule to every six months, and reduction in drug screens to two per month, were granted by vote of the Board on 12/15/05.

FOOTE, Mary Jo (PA #50-000864) Martins Ferry, OH

Physician Assistant's request for reduction in psychiatric sessions to one per month with interim counseling once a week was granted by vote of the Board on 12/15/05.

LEVY, David J (MD #35-052773) Erie, PA

Doctor's requests to discontinue drug log requirement for hospital patients, and to reduce AA requirement to at least two meetings per week and a minimum of ten meetings per month, were granted by vote of the Board on 12/15/05.

POJE, Joanne (MD #35-078117) Ironton, OH

Doctor's request to reduce appearance requirement to every six months was granted by vote of the Board on 12/15/05.

COURT ACTION UPDATE

DORIOTT, Elizabeth (DO #34-006593) Springboro, OH

Notice of Appeal of the 9/12/05 Decision and Entry of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas filed with the 10th District Court of Appeals on or about 10/11/05.

POLITI, Barry J (MD applicant) Jackson, MS

Notice of Appeal of Board's 11/9/05 Order permanently denying licensure filed by doctor with Franklin County Court of Common Pleas on or about 12/7/05.

PORTER, Stephen R (MD #35-069802) Harrison, OH

By Decision and Judgment Entry of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas filed on 11/21/05, Appeal of the Board's 4/13/05 revocation Order dismissed and matter remanded to the Medical Board for further proceedings.

Notice of Appeal of the 11/21/05 Decision and Judgment Entry of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas filed with the 10th District Court of Appeals on or about 12/20/05.

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.