

**STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO  
FORMAL ACTION REPORT – AUGUST 2008**

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Listed below is a summary of the disciplinary actions taken or initiated by the State Medical Board of Ohio in August 2008 and an update of Board matters pending in courts as of the date of this document.

**PRE-HEARING SUSPENSION**

**HENSON, Mark Owen (MD #35-076766) – Greenfield, 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 (1) doctor's ability to practice is impaired due to use and/or abuse of drugs (Darvocet); (2) doctor violated conditions of limitation imposed on doctor's license by 6/13/07 consent agreement; and (3) doctor's continued practice presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public. Suspension effective 8/13/08; Notice mailed 8/14/08. (See also: Citations & Proposed Denials *below*)

**CITATIONS & PROPOSED DENIALS**

**BADRI, Rafael A. (MD #35-050410) – Cleveland, OH**

Based on doctor's alleged failure to conform to minimal standards of care in treatment rendered, alleged failure to conform to minimal standards of care applicable to the selection or administration of drugs, and alleged personally furnishing, prescribing, or administering drugs for other than therapeutic purposes, with respect to treatment of 10 specified patients for whom doctor prescribed controlled substances for weight loss. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 8/14/08.

**BALL, Erin Kaye (MT Applicant) – Cincinnati, OH**

Proposal to deny massage therapy license based on applicant's having been found guilty in the Court of Common Pleas of Hamilton County, Ohio, of one count of Trafficking in Cocaine, a fourth degree felony. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 8/14/08.

**CHENDRASEKHAR, Akella (MD #35-084189) – Brooklyn, NY**

Based on prior action against doctor's Iowa medical license by the Iowa medical board, the underlying basis being doctor's demonstrated pattern of professional incompetency and practice harmful or detrimental to the public, particularly bariatric surgery. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 8/14/08.

**HENSON, Mark Owen (MD #35-076766) – Greenfield, 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 and on doctor's alleged violation of conditions of limitation place by the Board on doctor's medical license. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 8/14/08. (See also: Pre-hearing Suspension *above*)

**KANNA, Venkanna (MD #35-066038) – Dayton, OH**

Based on the termination of doctor's clinical privileges by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the underlying basis involving issues of professional conduct and competence. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 8/14/08.

**PRASAD, Subramanya Krishnaswamy (MD #35-085099) – Cincinnati, OH**

Based on prior action against doctor's license by the Kentucky medical board in accepting the surrender of doctor's license in that state, in lieu of revocation; the underlying basis being doctor's admitted prescribing via the internet. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 8/14/08.

**DISMISSAL OF CITATION**

**HOOGENDOORN, Kyle Elliott (DPM #36-003064) – Grove City, OH**

Allegations set forth in the 8/9/06 notice of opportunity for hearing dismissed following Board's determination that doctor did not engage in the unlicensed practice of medicine. Order effective 8/15/08.

**FINAL DISCIPLINARY ORDERS**

**BADE, Shelly (MD #35-065759) – Orlando, FL**

Doctor reprimanded based on doctor's failure to conform to minimal standards of care with respect to treatment rendered to three specified patients. Order effective 9/10/08.

**BREWER, Eugene Allan (MD #35-045064) – Indianapolis, IN**

Medical license permanently revoked. Based on Board's determination that doctor violated the conditions of limitation previously placed upon doctor's Ohio medical license, the underlying basis being the quality of medical care rendered, and had clinical privileges reduced/revoked by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Order effective 8/15/08.

**GRIFFIN, Brian Frederic (MD #35-044328) – Columbus, OH**

Permanent revocation of medical license stayed subject to probationary terms, conditions, and limitations for at least three years, including the limitation and restriction of doctor's license to participation in a clinical education program. Based on Board's determination that doctor failed to conform to minimal standards of care in rendering medical treatment. Order effective 10/11/08.

**HALPIN, John Albert (MD #35-037982) – Cincinnati, OH**

Doctor reprimanded and fined. Based on doctor's certifying on license renewal application that requisite CME had been completed, when, in fact, it was not completed. Order effective 9/17/08. (Review and Journal Entry – no hearing requested)

**LEAK, William David (MD #35-044978) – Columbus, OH**

Medical license permanently revoked. Based on Board's determination that doctor failed to conform to minimal standards of care with respect to treatment rendered, and failed to appropriately notify patients of lack of medical malpractice insurance from about August 2003

through about March 2004. Order effective 9/16/08; doctor to not undertake care of any new patient during the interim period.

**NUCKLOS, William W. (MD #35-058738) – Columbus, OH**

Medical license permanently revoked. Based on Board's determination that doctor failed to conform to minimal standards of care with respect to treatment rendered, failed to conform to minimal standards of care applicable to the selection or administration of drugs, prescribed controlled substances and/or dangerous drugs without a legitimate medical purpose in the treatment of patients with intractable pain, and violated Board rules applicable to using prescription drugs for the treatment of intractable pain. Order effective 8/15/08.

**STRASEK, Frank Murray (DPM #36-001720) – Rocky River, OH**

Doctor reprimanded; probation ordered in 7/12/06 Board Order extended by six months, for a total probationary period of at least three years and six months, with all other terms, conditions, and limitations in the 7/12/06 Board Order remaining in full force and effect. Based on Board's determination that doctor violated the terms of the Board's 7/12/06 Order by failing to comply with the terms of probation imposed by the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio. Order effective 8/14/08. (Review and Journal Entry - no hearing requested)

**CONSENT AGREEMENTS**

**EVENHOUSE, Matthew Henry (MD #35-082452) – Bay Village, OH**

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; and 4/9/08 consent agreement terminated. Based on doctor's admitted relapse on drugs, for which doctor is required to complete treatment at a Board-approved treatment provider. Agreement effective 8/13/08.

**PARKS MYTON, Alexis Demai (MD #35-067512) – Wright-Patterson AFB, OH**

Suspension of medical license for at least 60 days stayed, with doctor reprimanded and probationary terms, conditions, and limitations imposed. Based on doctor's failure to timely provide copies of patient records requested pursuant to doctor's notice of office closing. Agreement effective 8/13/08; agreement to remain in effect for at least 180 days prior to any request for termination.

**RHODEBACK, Mark A. (LMT #33-013112) – Marysville, OH**

Massage therapy license reinstated subject to probationary terms, conditions, and limitations imposed to monitor practice based on massage therapist 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 8/13/08; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

**RODRIGUEZ, Dirk Isaias (MD #35-089471) – Cincinnati, OH**

Probationary terms, conditions, and limitations imposed to monitor practice based on doctor's admission of being required pursuant to an Order of the Texas medical board to complete coursework and receive anger management counseling, psychological therapy and treatment, and monitoring by a psychiatrist, the underlying basis being complaints about doctor's anger

management and unacceptable professional behavior. Agreement effective 8/13/08; agreement to remain in effect for at least three years prior to any request for termination.

**SUESS, Steven Hermann (MD #35-050485) – Elyria, OH**

Medical license suspended for an indefinite period of time; 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 diagnosis of habitual alcohol use and abuse, for which doctor has been determined to be impaired in ability to practice medicine and surgery according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care. Agreement effective 8/13/08.

**SYED, Aladdin Zafar (MD Applicant) – Presto, PA**

Application for medical license granted subject to probationary terms, conditions, and limitations imposed to monitor practice based on doctor's admitted diagnoses of Bipolar I disorder and "affective energy" disorder and of 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 8/13/08; agreement to remain in effect for at least three years prior to any request for termination.

**WELDEN, Scott Robert (MD #35-075182) – Cincinnati, OH**

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; and 7/11/07 consent agreement terminated. Based on doctor's admitted practicing medicine while medical license suspended, violating conditions of limitation on doctor's medical license, making a false statement to a Board investigator, and assisting or abetting the unlicensed practice of medicine. Agreement effective 8/13/08.

**WHITLOCK, Randall Gregory, Jr. (PA #50-001262) – West Chester, OH**

Physician assistant license reinstated subject to probationary terms, conditions, and limitations imposed to monitor practice based on physician assistant 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 8/13/08; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

**VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS**

**DURBIN, Michael Denis (MD #35-062958) – Shaker Heights, OH**

Board Order permanently revoking doctor's medical license as authorized by doctor in lieu of further investigation related to doctor's inability to practice medicine according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to physical illness. Effective 8/13/08.

**ROSS, Robert Louis (LMT #33-007571) – Canton, OH**

Board Order permanently revoking massage therapy license as authorized by massage therapist in lieu of further investigation related to massage therapist's alleged inability to practice massage therapy according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to impairment of ability because of habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs, alcohol, or other substances that impair ability to practice. Effective 8/13/08.

**LICENSES REINSTATED**

**COLEMAN, Robert Stanley, Jr. (MD #35-075738) – Chardon, OH**

Doctor's request for reinstatement approved by vote of the Board on 8/14/08, subject to probationary terms, conditions and limitations established by 3/12/08 Board Order.

**GOTHAM, David, Jr. (DO #34-007559) – Sacramento, CA**

Doctor's request for reinstatement approved by vote of the Board on 8/14/08, subject to probationary terms, conditions and limitations established by 1/10/07 consent agreement.

**PROBATION COMPLETED**

**BERTANI, Charles B. (DO #34-002096) – Columbus, OH**

Doctor's request for release from the probationary terms of the 11/12/03 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 8/13/08. Release from probation effective 8/13/08. Doctor's restriction from prescribing, administering, or personally furnishing controlled substance anorectic medications or diuretics for weight loss remains in effect permanently.

**CAMPBELL, Scott Michael (MD #35-060794) – Sandusky, OH**

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 8/13/03 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 8/13/08. Release from probation effective 8/13/08.

**FRAGATOS, Peter (MD #35-083165) – Parma, OH**

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 8/15/03 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 8/13/08. Release from probation effective 8/13/08.

**HANSON, Ryan Paul (MD #35-071364) – Columbus, OH**

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 6/11/03 Board Order granted by vote of the Board on 8/13/08. Release from probation effective 8/13/08.

**MARTIN, Adam Samuel (MD #35-089956) – Ashland, OH**

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 8/13/03 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 8/13/08. Release from probation effective 8/13/08.

**STURMI, James Edward (MD #35-060676) – Mount Vernon, OH**

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 11/10/05 consent agreement granted by vote of the Board on 8/13/08. Release from probation effective 8/13/08.

**PROBATION – MONITORING TERMS MODIFIED**

**BROWNLEE, John David (MD #35-074364) – Richmond Heights, OH**

Doctor's request to reduce required drug screens to twice per month and reduce required personal appearances to every six months granted by vote of the Board on 8/14/08.

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

Doctor's request to discontinue required compliance with OPHP advocacy agreement granted by vote of the Board on 8/14/08.

**CHURCH, Jason Victor (MD #35-085844) – Pleasant View, UT**

Doctor's request to discontinue required psychiatric sessions granted by vote of the Board on 8/14/08.

**LEAK, Byron Christopher (MD #35-085467) – Cleveland, OH**

Monitoring physician approved and frequency and number of charts for review established by Board vote on 8/14/08.

**MANN, Donald C. (MD #35-071870) – North Hollywood, CA**

Doctor's request to eliminate work hour restriction granted and monitoring physician approved and frequency and number of charts for review established by Board vote on 8/14/08.

**McGINNIS, James Martin (DO #34-005660) – Wheelersburg, OH**

Doctor's request to eliminate required controlled substance logs granted by vote of the Board on 8/14/08.

**O'BRIEN, Michael Joseph (DO # 34-006651) – Canton, OH**

Doctor's request to reduce required drug and rehabilitation meetings to two per week, with a total of 10 per month, granted by vote of the Board on 8/14/08.

**COURT ACTION UPDATE**

**AKHTAR, Jabir Kamal (MD Applicant; MD Training Certificate #57-006623) – Scotts Valley, CA**

By Decision and Entry filed on 7/23/08, the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas affirmed Board's 7/12/07 Order permanently denying doctor's application for medical license.

**BREWER, Eugene A. (MD #35-045064) – Indianapolis, IN**

Notice of Appeal of Board's 8/13/08 Order permanently revoking doctor's medical license filed by doctor with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas on 8/29/08.

**LEAK, William David (MD #35-044978) – Columbus, OH**

Notice of Appeal of Board's 8/13/08 Order permanently revoking doctor's medical license filed by doctor with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas on or about 8/26/08.

By Decision and Entry filed on 9/9/08, the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas granted doctor's motion for a stay of Board's 8/13/08 Order pending the appeal in that court.

**NUCKLOS, William (MD #35-058738) – Columbus, OH**

Notice of Appeal of Board's 8/13/08 Order permanently revoking doctor's medical license filed by doctor with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas on 8/25/08.

**Non-Disciplinary Administrative Actions**

**Denial of Application**

**ABRAHAM, Bruce Eugene (PA Applicant) – West Carrollton, OH**

Application for physician assistant license denied based on applicant's failure to hold a master's degree from a physician assistant accredited program or physician assistant licensure in another state. (Journal Entry – no hearing requested) Order effective 8/14/08. **(Non-disciplinary)**

**RAMIREZ, Jose Angel (MD Applicant) – Chillicothe, OH**

Application for medical license denied based on applicant's having graduated from a foreign medical school that is not ECFMG certified, having not completed a Fifth Pathway program, and having not completed required graduate medical education. (Journal Entry – no hearing requested) Order effective 8/14/08. **(Non-disciplinary)**

**BURGOA RIO, Carlos Fernando (PA Applicant) – Strongsville, OH**

Application for physician assistant license denied based on applicant's failure to hold a master's degree from a physician assistant accredited program or physician assistant licensure in another state. (Journal Entry – no hearing requested) Order effective 8/14/08. **(Non-disciplinary)**

**Approval of Application**

**DEVARAJAN, Vidya Rajaram (MD Applicant) – Cincinnati, OH**

Application for medical licensure granted, provided that applicant takes and passes SPEX or a specialty board recertification examination within six months of 6/25/08. Based on Board's finding that applicant had not engaged in the active practice of medicine for more than two years. (Journal Entry – no hearing requested) Order effective 8/14/08. **(Non-disciplinary)**

**KHATIBI, Parisa (MD #35-092283) – Shaker Heights, OH**

Medical license granted, provided applicant meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. Based on Board determination that applicant established good cause for why applicant had not successfully completed the USMLE examination sequence within seven years. (Review and Journal Entry – no hearing requested) Order effective 8/15/08. **(Non-disciplinary)**

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**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.**