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November 28, 1997

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Charles R. Sinatra, M.D. 51 Glasgow Avenue Jamestown, New York 14202

RE: License No. 084461

Dear Dr. Sinatra:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 97-286 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect upon receipt of this letter or seven (7) days after the date of this letter, whichever is earlier.

If the penalty imposed by the Order is a surrender, revocation or suspension of this license, you are required to deliver to the Board the license and registration within five (5) days of receipt of the Order.

Board for Professional Medical Conduct New York State Department of Health Hedley Park Place, Suite 303 433 River Street Troy, New York 12180

Sincerely,

Ansel R. Marks, M.D., J.D.

Executive Secretary

Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

cc: Randall D. White, Esq.

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STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER : APPLICATION TO

OF

: SURRENDER

CHARLES R. SINATRA, M.D. : LICENSE

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STATE OF NEW YORK)

ss.:

COUNTY OF ERIE)

CHARLES R. SINATRA, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

On or about August 22, 1960, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 084461 by the New York State Education Department.

I am currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice as a physician in the State of New York.

I understand that I have been charged with five specifications of professional misconduct as set forth in the Statement of Charges, annexed hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as Exhibit "A".

I am applying to the State Board for Professional Medical

Conduct for permission to surrender my license as a physician in the State of New York.

I agree not to contest the Fifth Specification and the allegations contained therein in the Statement of Charges (Exhibit A).

I hereby make this application to the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct and request that it be granted.

I understand that, in the event that the application is not granted by the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct, nothing contained herein shall be binding upon me or construed to be an admission of any act of misconduct alleged or charged against me, such application shall not be used against me in any way, and shall be kept in strict confidence; and such denial by the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct shall be made without prejudice to the continuance of any disciplinary proceeding and the final determination by a Committee on Professional Medical Conduct pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Law.

I agree that in the event the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct grants my application, an order shall be issued striking my name from the roster of physicians in the State of New York without further notice to me.

I am making this Application of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion, or restraint of any kind or manner.

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CHARLES R. SINATRA, M.D. Respondent

Sworn to before me this

10th day of NOVEMBER, 1997

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ORDER

Upon the proposed agreement of Charles R. Sinatra, M.D. (Respondent) for a Consent Order, which proposed agreement is made a part hereof, it is AGREED TO and

ORDERED, that the proposed agreement and the provisions thereof are hereby adopted; and it is further

ORDERED, that this order shall take effect as of the date of the personal service of this order upon Respondent, upon receipt by Respondent of this order via certified mail, or seven days after mailing of this order by certified mail, whichever is earliest.

DATED: 11/24/97

PATRICK F. CARONE, M.D., M.P.H.

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State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

: STATEMENT

OF

OF

CHARLES R. SINATRA, M.D.

: CHARGES

CHARLES R. SINATRA, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on August 22, 1960, by the issuance of license number 084461 by the New York State Education Department. The Respondent is currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice medicine.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. Respondent provided medical care to Patient A (patients are identified in the Appendix), a female patient 9 years old when seen by the Respondent, on or about September 13, 1994 at the Respondent's office at the Family Health Center, 52 Glasgow Avenue, Jamestown, New York (hereafter "the office"). Patient "A" presented with complaints of a one week history of urinary frequency, excessive thirst, and vaginal pruritus. Respondent diagnosed the patient as having a yeast infection.

- Respondent failed to perform an adequate history and physical examination in light of Patient "A" presenting symptoms.
- Respondent failed to record the performance of an adequate history and physical examination in light of Patient "A" presenting symptoms.

- 3. Respondent failed to obtain appropriate laboratory tests or other diagnostic studies, including a urinalysis or blood test, to assess the possibility that the patient had new onset diabetes.
- B. Respondent provided medical care to Patient B, a male patient 57 years old male when treatment began, from on or about February 21, 1990, through on or about May 1, 1996. Patient B was treated at Respondent's office.
 - 1. Respondent failed to perform an adequate history for cardiac symptoms and physical examination in light of Patient B's history of ongoing angina and cardiac disease.
 - 2. Respondent failed to record the performance of an adequate history for cardiac symptoms and physical examination in light of Patient B's history of ongoing angina and cardiac disease.
 - 3. Respondent failed to obtain appropriate laboratory tests or other diagnostic studies, including a baseline EKG, lipid profile, and evaluation of renal status by, among others, testing BUN levels, creatinine, and urinalysis.

SPECIFICATIONS OF MISCONDUCT

FIRST SPECIFICATION GROSS NEGLIGENCE

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined by New York Education Law §6530(4) (McKinney Supp. 1997) by practicing the profession of medicine with gross negligence as alleged in the facts of the following:

1. The facts in Paragraphs A and A.1 and/or B and B.1.

SECOND SPECIFICATION GROSS INCOMPETENCE

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined by New York Education Law §6530(6)

(McKinney Supp. 1997) by practicing the profession of medicine with gross incompetence as alleged in the facts of the following:

2. The facts in Paragraphs A and A.1 and/or B and B.1.

THIRD SPECIFICATION NEGLIGENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined by New York Education Law §6530(3) (McKinney Supp. 1997) by practicing the profession of medicine with negligence on more than one occasion as alleged in the facts of two or more of the following:

3. The facts in Paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, B and B.1, B and B.2, and/or B and B.3.

FOURTH SPECIFICATION INCOMPETENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined by New York Education Law §6530(5) (McKinney Supp. 1997) by practicing the profession of medicine with incompetence on more than one occasion as alleged in the facts of two or more of the following:

4. The facts in Paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, B and B.1, B and B.2, and/or B and B.3.

FIFTH SPECIFICATION FAILURE TO MAINTAIN ACCURATE RECORDS

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(32) (McKinney Supp. 1997) by failing to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the evaluation and treatment of the patient, as alleged in the facts of:

5. The facts of Paragraphs A and A.2 and/or B and B.2.

DATED: Moveule 17, 1997 Albany, New York

PETER D. VAN BUREN

Deputy Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct