New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct



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July 16, 1998

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Norman E. Hugo, M.D. Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center 161 Fort Washington Avenue New York, New York 10032

RE:

License No. 089609

Dear Dr. Hugo:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 98-137 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect July 16, 1998.

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:

Lawrence Ruggiero, Esq. 233 Broadway, Suite 3008 New York, New York 10279

Paul Stein, Esq.

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

NORMAN ELIOT HUGO, M.D.

CONSENT

AGREEMENT

AND

ORDER

BPMC #98-137

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

NORMAN ELIOT HUGO, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That on or about October 15, 1962, I was licensed to

practice as a physician in the State of New York, having been issued License No. 089609 by the New York State Education

Department.

My current address is Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center, 161 Fort Washington Avenue, New York, NY 10032, and I will advise the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any change of my address.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct has charged me with one specification of professional misconduct.

A copy of the Statement of Charges is annexed hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as Exhibit "A".

I admit guilt to the First Specification, in full satisfaction of the charges against me. I hereby agree to the following penalty:

Censure and reprimand.

I agree that in the event I am charged with professional misconduct in the future, this agreement and order shall be admitted into evidence in that proceeding.

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

I understand that, in the event that this Application is not granted by the Board, 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 during the pendency of the professional misconduct disciplinary proceeding; and such denial by the Board shall be made without prejudice to the continuance of any disciplinary proceeding and the final determination by the Board pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Law.

I agree that, in the event the Board grants my Application, as set forth herein, an order of the Chairperson of the Board shall be issued in accordance with same. I agree that such order shall be effective upon issuance by the Board, which may be accomplished by mailing, by first class mail, a copy of the Consent Order to me at the address set forth in this agreement, or to my attorney, or upon transmission via facsimile to me or my attorney, whichever is earliest.

I am making this Application of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion or restraint of any kind or manner. In consideration of the value to me of the acceptance by the Board of this Application, allowing me to resolve this matter

without the various risks and burdens of a hearing on the merits, I knowingly waive any right I may have to contest the Consent Order for which I hereby apply, whether administratively or judicially, and ask that the Application be granted.

AFFIRMED:

DATE: JUL 21, 1998

NORMAN ELIOT HUGO, Respondent

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

NORMAN ELIOT HUGO, M.D.

STATEMENT

OF

CHARGES

NORMAN ELIOT HUGO, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on October 15, 1962 by the issuance of license number 089609 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. On or about June 2, 1998, Barbara A. DeBuono, M.D., M.P.H., Commissioner of the New York State Department of Health, issued a Stipulation and Order (CS-98-15) that was signed by the Respondent on May 11, 1998. The Stipulation and Order states, inter alia, that:

[T]he Department's investigation included findings of alleged violations of Article 33 of the Public Health Law and/or 10 NYCRR Part 80, as set forth in Paragraph 3 of this Stipulation and Order; and

. . .

- 3. The Respondent admits and the Commissioner of Health finds that the Respondent violated 10 NYCRR 80.112, in that in 1993, 1995 and 1997, he failed to prepare and maintain for inspection a biennial inventory of controlled substances.
- 4. Pursuant to Section 12 and 206 of the Public Health Law, the Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000). The Respondent shall pay Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) of that sum within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this Stipulation and Order. The remaining Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) shall be suspended contingent upon the Respondent's full compliance with this Stipulation and Order.

SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

FIRST SPECIFICATION

HAVING BEEN FOUND IN VIOLATION OF

ARTICLE 33 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(9)(e)(McKinney Supp. 1998) by having been found by the commissioner of health to be in violation of article thirty-three of the public health law as alleged in the facts of the following:

1. Paragraph A.

Dated: New York, New York

June 22, 1998

ROY NEMERSON Deputy Counsel

Bureau of Professional

Medical Conduct

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

NORMAN ELIOT HUGO, M.D.

CONSENT

ORDER

Upon the proposed agreement of NORMAN ELIOT HUGO, M.D. (Respondent) for Consent Order, which application is made a part hereof, it is agreed to and

ORDERED, that the application and the provisions thereof are hereby adopted and so ORDERED, and it is further

ORDERED, that this order shall be effective upon issuance by the Board, which may be accomplished by mailing, by first class mail, a copy of the Consent Order to Respondent at the address set forth in this agreement or to Respondent's attorney by certified mail, or upon transmission via facsimile to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, whichever is earliest.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: July 1/1 1998

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

Chairperson

State Board for Professional

Medical Conduct

The undersigned agree to the attached application of the Respondent and to the proposed penalty based on the terms and conditions thereof.

DATE: 6/30/98

LAWRENCE F. RUGGIERO
Attorney for Respondent

DATE: 7-1-98

PAUL STEIN
Associate Counsel
Bureau of Professional
Medical Conduct

DATE: 7/8/98

ANNE F. SAILE Director

Office of Professional Medical Conduct