



**New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct**

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Commissioner of Health

Charles J. Vacanti, M.D.  
Chair

April 10, 1996

**CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Frederic Harris Corbin, M.D.  
400 West Central Avenue, #101  
Brea, California 92521

RE: License No. 106684

Dear Dr. Corbin:

Effective Date April 17, 1996

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 96-80 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  
Empire State Plaza  
Tower Building-Room 438  
Albany, New York 12237-0756

Sincerely,

Charles Vacanti, M.D.  
Chair  
Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

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

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IN THE MATTER :

OF : ORDER

FREDERIC HARRIS CORBIN, M.D.

:  
BPMC #96-80

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Upon the application of FREDERICK HARRIS CORBIN, M.D.  
(Respondent) for Consent Order, which application is made a part  
hereof, it is

ORDERED, that the application and the provisions thereof are  
hereby adopted and so ORDERED, 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.

SO ORDERED,

DATED: April 9, 1996

Matthew P. Reid, M.D.  
for Charles J. Vacanti, M.D.  
Chairperson  
State Board for Professional  
Medical Conduct

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

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IN THE MATTER : APPLICATION  
OF : FOR  
FREDERICK HARRIS CORBIN, M.D. : CONSENT  
: ORDER

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COUNTY OF ) ss.:

FREDERICK HARRIS CORBIN, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

On or about July 28, 1970 I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York, having been issued License No. 106684 by the New York State Education Department.

I am not currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice as a physician in the State of New York.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct has charged me with two Specifications 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 penalty that I be placed on probation

for a period of five years under the terms of Exhibit "B", hereto attached.

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.

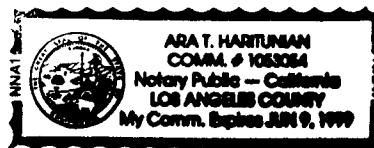
I am making this Application of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion or restraint of any kind or manner.

  
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FREDERICK HARRIS CORBIN, M.D.  
RESPONDENT

Sworn to before me this  
+ 7th day of March, 1996.

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC

ARA T. HARTUNIAN



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

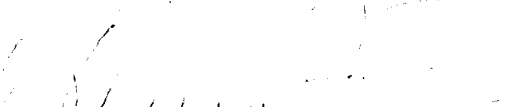
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OF : FOR  
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The undersigned agree to the attached application of the Respondent and to the proposed penalty based on the terms and conditions thereof.

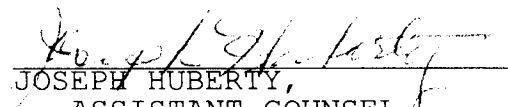
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FREDERIC HARRIS CORBIN, M.D.  
Respondent

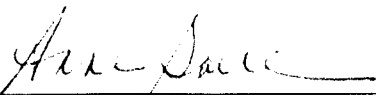
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HENRY R. FENTON, ESQ.  
Attorney for Respondent

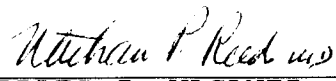
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JOSEPH HUBERTY,  
ASSISTANT COUNSEL  
Bureau of Professional  
Medical Conduct

DATE: ~~March~~ <sup>April 9</sup>, 1996

  
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ANNE F. SAILE  
ACTING DIRECTOR  
Office of Professional Medical  
Conduct

DATE: March , 1996

  
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for CHARLES J. VACANTI, M.D.  
CHAIRPERSON  
State Board for Professional  
Medical Conduct

STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT  
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IN THE MATTER : STATEMENT  
OF : OF  
FREDERIC HARRIS CORBIN, M.D. : CHARGES  
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FREDERIC HARRIS CORBIN, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in the State of New York on July 28, 1970 by the issuance of License No. 106684 by the New York State Education Department. Respondent is not presently registered to practice medicine in New York State. Respondent's address, as shown on Respondent's last registration with the New York State Education Department, is 31 Oxford Road, East Rockaway, New York 11518.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. Following an administrative hearing conducted by an Administrative Law Judge appointed by the California State Office of Administrative Hearings, the Administrative Law Judge issued a Proposed Decision dated August 20, 1994 setting forth the following findings:

1. On or about September 18, 1990 Respondent, a plastic surgeon, performed a nasal revision with reconstructive surgery to alleviate breathing problems then being experienced by patient Lee Ann M., a personal friend of Respondent's office manager.

EXHIBIT "A"

2. Patient Lee Ann M.'s medical insurance coverage had expired on or about September 1, 1990. In consequence there was no medical insurance coverage at the time the procedure was performed.
3. Patient Lee Ann M. prevailed on Respondent's office manager to prepare and file an insurance claim for reimbursement for the services performed on or about September 18, 1990 and to "back date" the date of service to fall within the period of medical insurance coverage. Respondent had no knowledge of this unauthorized act by his office manager and did not profit in any way from this fraudulent act.
4. When the claim was investigated by the health insurance carrier and the Medical Board of California (hereinafter California Board), Respondent's office manager fabricated a false office visit and minor procedure which allegedly occurred during the period of coverage. The office manager then claimed the date on the prior claim submitted for reimbursement was a mistake and resulted from confusion in the billing procedure.
5. Only at this point did the above facts come to the attention of Respondent. Respondent did not report these facts to the proper authorities. Rather, in an effort to deceive the investigators from the insurance carrier and the California Board and thus protect his office manager from prosecution,



Respondent wrote a letter to the California Board confirming the existence of the earlier fabricated office visit and claiming the submission to the insurance carrier was the result of confusion in the billing procedure. In addition, Respondent assisted the office manager in writing a letter to the California Board containing falsehoods regarding the above events and solicited the subject patient (Lee Ann M.) to corroborate the falsehoods stated in the letters written by both Respondent and his office manager.

6. That although Respondent did not act with fraudulent intent or for personal financial gain, Respondent did knowingly join in the cover-up of the fraudulent acts of his office manager.
7. Respondent violated California Business and Professional Code section 2234(e) (commission of an act involving dishonesty) and section 2261 (knowingly making a false document related to the practice of medicine).

B. By Decision dated October 25, 1994 the Proposed Decision of the Administrative Law Judge was adopted as the decision of the Medical Board of California.

C. On application for re-consideration and by Order dated November 23, 1994 The California Board stayed the above decision pending re-consideration by that Board.

D. By "Decision After Reconsideration" dated May 24, 1995 the California Board adopted the findings of the Administrative Law Judge as set forth in the Proposed Decision dated August 20, 1994; disciplined Respondent by placing Respondent on probation for a period of two(2) years; required Respondent participate in and complete a course in ethics, perform two hundred (200) hours of free medical services to a community or charitable facility and submit written quarterly declarations of his compliance with the terms of his probation.

E. The wilful making and/or filing of a false report, if committed in New York State, would constitute a violation of N.Y. Educ. Law Sec. 6530(2) (practicing the profession fraudulently); N.Y. Educ. Law Sec. 6530(20) (conduct in the practice of medicine which evidences moral unfitness to practice medicine); and/or N.Y. Educ. Law Sec. 6530(21) (willfully making or filing a false report).

#### SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

##### FIRST SPECIFICATION

HAVING BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF UNPROFESSIONAL

CONDUCT BY ANOTHER STATE DISCIPLINARY AGENCY

Petitioner charges Respondent with professional misconduct pursuant to N.Y. Educ. Law 6530(9)(b) (McKinney Supp. 1996) in that Respondent was found guilty of improper professional practice or professional misconduct by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state where the conduct upon which the finding was based would, if committed in New York State, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York State in that Petitioner charges:

1. The facts in paragraphs A, A.1, A.2, A.3, A.4, A.5, A.6, A.7, B, C, D and/or E.

SECOND SPECIFICATION

HAVING DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN BY


ANOTHER STATE DISCIPLINARY AGENCY

Petitioner charges Respondent with professional misconduct pursuant to the provisions of N.Y. Educ. Law Sec. 6530(9)(d) (McKinney Supp. 1996) in that Respondent had his license to practice medicine revoked, suspended or had other disciplinary action taken against him by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state where the conduct resulting in the revocation, suspension or other disciplinary action would, if committed in New York State, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York State in that Petitioner charges:

2. The facts in paragraphs A, A.1, A.2, A.3, A.4, A.5, A.6,

A.7, B, C, D and/or E.

Dated: Albany, New York  
February 26 1996

  
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PETER D. VAN BUREN, Deputy Counsel  
Bureau of Professional Medical  
Conduct

## TERMS OF PROBATION

FREDERIC HARRIS CORBIN

1. Respondent will personally meet with a member of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct staff on a random basis at the discretion of the Director of the Office or designee.
2. Respondent will conform fully:
  - a. to the professional standards of conduct imposed by law and by his profession
  - b. with all civil and criminal laws, rules and regulations.
3. Respondent will notify the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of:
  - a. any and all investigations, charges, convictions or disciplinary actions taken by any local, state or federal agency, institution or facility, within thirty days of each action;
  - b. any and all changes in personal and professional addresses and telephone numbers and facility affiliations, within 30 days of such changes. This will include any change in practice location, within or outside of the State of New York. The date of departure from the State of New York, and the date of return, if any, must be reported in writing.

Failure to notify the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any of the above will be considered a violation of probation.
4. Respondent will renew the Registration of his license with the New York State Department of Education and will submit proof of his payment and the renewal of his Registration to the Director of OPMC within thirty days of the date of this Order. Respondent will maintain the Registration of his license during the period of probation.
5. Respondent will maintain legible and complete medical records which accurately reflect evaluation and treatment of patients. Records will contain a comprehensive history, physical examination findings, chief complaint, present illness, diagnosis and treatment. In cases of prescribing, dispensing, or administering of controlled substances, the medical record will contain all information required by state rules and regulations regarding controlled substances.

**EXHIBIT "B"**

5. So long as there is full compliance with every term herein set forth, Respondent may continue to practice his profession in accordance with the terms of probation. Upon receipt of evidence of non compliance with, or any violation of these terms, the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct and/or the Board may initiate a violation of probation proceeding and/or any such other proceeding against Respondent as may be authorized by law.

a. Respondent shall assume and bear all costs related to compliance with the terms of probation.

I acknowledge receipt of a copy of the above Terms of Probation.

Dated: March 28, 1996

  
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FREDERIC HARRIS CORBIN, M.D.