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September 6, 2002

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Muragayyan Raja Sekaran, M.D. 3730 Winding Circle Road Sacramento, CA 35864

RE: License No. 111577

Dear Dr. Sekaran:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 02-283 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect September 6, 2002.

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 to 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: Robert J. Sullivan, Esq.
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STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

SURRENDER

OF

ORDER BPMC No. 02-283

MURUGAYYAN RAJA SEKARAN, M.D. CO-02-03-1191-A

MURUGAYYAN RAJA SEKARAN, M.D., says:

On or about January 25, 1972, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 111577 by the New York State Education Department. I currently reside at 3730 Winding Circle Road, Sacramento, CA 35864.

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 one (1) specification of professional misconduct as set forth in the Statement of Charges, annexed hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as Exhibit "A."

I have retired from the practice of medicine and do not intend to return to practice medicine in the state of New York. I, therefore, am applying to the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct for an agreement to allow me to surrender my license as a physician in the State of New York and request that the Board issue this Surrender Order.

I, hereby, agree not to contest Factual Allegations A and B(2) and the one (1) specification set forth in the Statement of Charges (Exhibit A).

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

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

Date

AGREED TO: Date: ,2002

Date:

MURUGAYYAN RAJA SEKARAN, M.D. Respondent

ROBERT SULLIVAN, ESQ Attorney for Respondent

ROBERT BOGAN

ROBERT BOGAN Associate Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

Date: 01 SENTENDUR 2002

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DÉNNIS GRAZIANO Director Office of Professional Medical Conduct

STATE OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

OF

OF CHARGES

STATEMENT

MURUGAYYAN RAJA SEKARAN, M.D. CO-02-03-1191-A

MURUGAYYAN RAJA SEKARAN, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York state on January 25, 1972, by the issuance of license number 111577 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. On or about July 23, 2002, the Division of Medical Quality, Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, (hereinafter "California Board"), by a Decision (hereinafter "California Decision"), publicly reprimanded Respondent's and required him to successfully complete the Physician Assessment and Clinical Evaluation Program at the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine (hereinafter "PACE Program"), based on gross negligence.

B. The conduct resulting in the California Board disciplinary action against Respondent would constitute misconduct under the laws of New York State, pursuant to the following sections of New York State law:

- 1. New York Education Law §6530(3) (negligence on more than one occasion);
- 2. New York Education Law §6530(4) (gross negligence);

3. New York Education Law §6530(5) (incompetence on more than one occasion); and/or

4. New York Education Law §6530(6) (gross incompetence).

FIRST SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated New York Education Law §6530(9)(d) by having had action taken by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct resulting in the disciplinary action would, if committed in New York State, constitute professional misconduct under the laws New York state, in that Petitioner charges:

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

DATED: August 2, 2002 Albany, New York

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

ORDER

Upon the proposed agreement of **MURUGAYYAN RAJA SEKARAN, M.D.**, to Surrender his license as a physician in the State of New York, 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; it is further

ORDERED, that the name of the Respondent be stricken from the roster of physicians in the State of New York; 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 to Respondent at the addresses set forth in this agreement, or to Respondent's attorney, or upon transmission via facsimile to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, whichever is earliest.

DATED: ,2002

WILLIAM P. DILLON, M.D. Chair State Board for Professional Medical Conduct