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August 2, 2001

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Prasart Ponrartana, M.D. 3526 West First Street Santa Ana, CA 92703-3302

RE: License No. 117787

Dear Dr. Ponrartana:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 01-175 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect August 2, 2001.

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 Bogan, Esq.

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

SURRENDER

ORDER

PRASART PONRARTANA, M.D. CO-01-06-3169-A

BPMC No. 01-175

PRASART PONRARTANA, M.D., says:

On or about September 6, 1973, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 117787 by the New York State Education Department. I currently reside at 3526 West First Street, Santa Ana, CA 92703-3302.

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 three (3) 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 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 the three (3) specifications 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 or manner.

Date: Fully 2 4 , 2001

PRASRT PONRARTANA, M.D. Respondent

AGREED TO:

,2001 Date:

Date: 30 fly ,2001

ROBERT BOGAN

Associate Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

DENNIS J. GRAZIANO Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct

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

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STATEMENT OF **CHARGES**

PRASAT PONRARTANA, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York state on September 6, 1973, by the issuance of license number 117787 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

Α. On or about December 27, 2000, the Superior Court, County of Orange, Central Justice Center, State of California, Respondent was convicted of two (2) counts of sexual battery and one (1) count of child molesting.

Β. On or about March 21, 2001, the Division of Medical Quality, Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs (hereinafter "California Board"), by a Decision and Order (hereinafter "California Order"), accepted the Stipulated Surrender of Respondent's Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate, based on sexual misconduct with patients, gross negligence, and conviction of a crime as described above in Paragraph A above.

C. 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(a)(i) (being convicted of committing an act under state law); and/or

2. New York Education Law §6530(20) (moral unfitness).

SPECIFICATIONS

FIRST SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated 6530(9)(a)(iii) (being convicted of committing an act constituting a crime under the law of another jurisdiction and which if committed in New York state, would constitute a crime under New York state law, in that Petitioner charges:

1. The facts in Paragraph A.

SECOND SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated New York Education Law §6530(9)(b) by having been 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:

2. The facts in paragraph A, B, and/or C.

THIRD SPECIFICATION

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

3. The facts in paragraphs A, B, and/or C.

DATED: July 27, 2001 Albany, New York

to D. Van Buren

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

ORDER

Upon the proposed agreement of **PRASART PONRARTANA**, 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: 2001

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