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New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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Charles J. Vacanti, M.D.

Chair

February 7, 1996

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Arturo Buencamino, M.D. 218 Park Avenue Babylon, NY 11702

Re: NY License No. 156007

Dear Dr. Buencamino:

Effective Date: 02/14/96

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 96-17 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,

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

Enclosure

Paul S. Brenner, Esq. cc: 401 Broadway New York, NY 10013

Ann Gayle, Esq.

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

ARTURO BUENCAMINO, M.D.

SURRENDER

BPMC #96-17

Upon the Application of Arturo Buencamino, M.D. (Respondent) to Surrender his/her license as a physician in the State of New York, which application is made a part hereof, it is

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

ORDERED, that the name of Respondent be stricken from the roster of physicians in the State of New York; 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 via certified mail, whichever is earliest.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: 3 February 1996

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

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

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APPLICATION TO SURRENDER LICENSE

STATE OF NEW YORK) COUNTY OF New YORA

Arturo Buencamino, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

On or about October 17, 1983, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York, having been issued License No. 156007, by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is 218 Park Avenue, Babylon, New York, 11702, my current mailing address is P.O. Box 853, Babylon, New York, 11702, and I will advise the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any change of my address and/or mailing address.

I understand that I have been charged with six 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 on the grounds that I admit guilt to the six specifications of misconduct against me, in full satisfaction of the Statement of Charges.

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 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 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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ARTURO BUENCAMINO, M.D. Respondent

Sworn to before me this ろ day of 1996 NOTAR

LESUE WOLFF Notary Public, State of New York 41-475606 No. Qualified in Queens Commission Expires

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	NEW YORK STATE DE STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSION IN THE MAT OF ARTURO BUENCAN	TER	T APPLICATION TO SURRENDER LICENSE
	The undersigned agree to the attached his license. Date $\frac{100}{23}$, 1995 Date: $\frac{100}{2}$, 1995	ARTURO BUENCAN Respondent ARTURO BUENCAN Respondent ARTURO BUENCAN Respondent ALL S. BRENNER, Attorney for Respond	<u>ко</u> IINO, M.D. MM
	Date: Jan. 26, 1996	Ann GAYLE, ESQ. Associate Counsel Bureau of Profession Medical Conduct	

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Date: fan 31, 1995

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ANNE SAILE Acting Director Office of Professional Medical Conduct

Date: 3February, 1998

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

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

ARTURO BUENCAMINO, M.D.

Arturo Buencamino, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about October 17, 1983, by the issuance of license number 156007, by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- A. On or about December 19, 1994, January 18, 1995, February 15, 1995, and March 15, 1995, Respondent issued prescriptions for controlled substances and other drugs to an investigator posing as Patient A at Respondent's office in Brooklyn, New York. (The identity of Patient A is disclosed in the attached appendix.)
 - 1. The controlled substances and other drugs which Respondent issued to this patient were as follows:
 - a. On or about December 19, 1994, Respondent issued
 Xanax and Tylenol with Codeine #4 to this patient.
 - b. On or about January 18, 1995, Respondent issued
 Xanax and Percocet to this patient.
 - C. On or about February 15, 1995, Respondent issued
 Percocet, Tylenol with Codeine #4, and Diazepam to this patient.
 - d. On or about March 15, 1995, Respondent issued Valium to this patient.

- 2. On all four occasions, Respondent failed to perform an adequate physical examination.
- 3. Respondent inappropriately prescribed the controlled substances and other drugs to this patient.
- 4. The controlled substances and other drugs were prescribed not in the good faith practice of medicine and not for a proper medical purpose.
- 5. Respondent failed to maintain a record which accurately reflects the care and treatment rendered to this patient.

SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

FIRST SPECIFICATION

NEGLIGENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(3)(McKinney Supp. 1995) 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:

1. Paragraphs A, A1, A1a-d, A2, 3, 4 and/or 5.

SECOND SPECIFICATION GROSS NEGLIGENCE

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(4)(McKinney Supp. 1995) by practicing the profession of medicine with gross negligence as alleged in the facts of the following:

2. Paragraphs A, A1, A1a-d, A2, 3, 4 and/or 5.

THIRD SPECIFICATION

INCOMPETENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(5)(McKinney Supp. 1995) 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:

3. Paragraphs A, A1, A1a-d, A2, 3, 4 and/or 5.

FOURTH SPECIFICATION GROSS INCOMPETENCE

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(6)(McKinney Supp. 1995) by practicing the profession of medicine with gross incompetence as alleged in the facts of the following:

4. Paragraphs A, A1, A1a-d, A2, 3, 4 and/or 5.

FIFTH SPECIFICATIONS

FRAUDULENT PRACTICE

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined by N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(2)(McKinney Supp. 1995) by practicing the profession of medicine fraudulently as alleged in the facts of the following:

5. Paragraphs A, A1 and A1a-d and/or A4.

SIXTH SPECIFICATION

FAILURE TO MAINTAIN ACCURATE RECORDS

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(32)(McKinney Supp. 1995) by failing to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects his evaluation and treatment of the patient, as

alleged in the facts of:

6. Paragraphs A and A5.

DATED: December , 1995 New York, New York

> ROY NEMERSON Deputy Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct