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October 22, 2001

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Clifton F. Lord, M.D. 289 Country Road Windsor, VT 05089

RE:

License No. 206845

Dear Dr. Lord:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 01-249 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect October 22, 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

SURRENDER

OF

ORDER

CLIFTON F. LORD, M.D. CO-01-02-0647-A

BPMC No. 01-249

CLIFTON F. LORD, M.D., says:

On or about June 2, 1997, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 206845 by the New York State Education Department. I currently reside at 289 Country Road, Windsor MA 05089.

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 do not intend to return to the state of New York, therefore, 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 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 or manner.

F. LORD. M.D.

Respondent

AGREED TO:

ROBÉRT BOGAN

Associate Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical

Conduct

Date: (L O, to ha 2001

DENNIS J. GRAZIANO

Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct

STATE OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

AMENDED

STATEMENT

OF

CHARGES

OF

CLIFTON F. LORD, M.D. CO-01-02-0647-A

CLIFTON F. LORD, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York state on June 2, 1997, by the issuance of license number 206845 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- A. On or about November 24, 2000, the Vermont Board, by a Stipulation and Consent Order (hereinafter "Vermont Order"), imposed conditions on Respondent's practice of medicine, based on negligence on more than one occasion, gross negligence, incompetence on more than one occasion, gross incompetence, and failure to adequately document patient records, with regard to eleven (11) patients between 1986 and 1997.
- B. The conduct resulting in the Vermont Board disciplinary actions 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);
 - 4. New York Education Law §6530(6) (gross incompetence); and/or
 - New York Education Law §6530(32) (failing to maintain accurate records).

SPECIFICATION FIRST SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated New York Education Law §6530(9)(d) by having 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 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: October a , 2001 Albany, New York

PETER D. VAN BUREN

Deputy Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

ORDER

Upon the proposed agreement of **CLIFTON F. LORD, 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: /0//8 ,2001

WILLIAM P. DILLON, M.D.

Chair

State Board for Professional Medical Conduct