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April 27, 2005

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Christ P. Koulis, M.D. 6545 Radcliff Drive Nashville, TN 37221

Re: License No. 213904

Dear Dr. Koulis:

Enclosed is a copy of Order #BPMC 05-83 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect May 4, 2005.

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 the 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: A

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

IN THE MATTER

SURRENDER

ORDER

OF

CHRIST P. KOULIS, M.D. CO-02-06-3117-A

BPMC No. 05-83

CHRIST P. KOULIS, M.D., says:

On or about May 11,1999, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 213904 by the New York State Education Department. I currently reside at 6545 Radcliff Drive, Nashville, TN 37221.

I am 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 (2) specifications of professional misconduct as set forth in the Amended Statement of Charges, annexed hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as Exhibit "A."

I have not practiced medicine in the State of New York since 1999, and I do not plan to return to practice medicine in the State of New York in the immediate future. I am applying, therefore, 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, B, and C(5) and the Second Specification set forth in the Amended 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: April 15, 2005

AGREED TO:

Date: <u>4/18</u>____,2005

Date: 19/10/10/2005

Date: 25 April .2005

CHRIST P. KOULIS, M.D.

Respondent

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Attorney for Respondent

ROBERT BOGAN

Associate Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

DENNIS JORAZIANO

Director, Office of Professional

Medical Conduct

ORDER

Upon the proposed agreement of **CHRIST P. KOULIS, 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: 4-26 ,2005

KENDRICK A. SEARS, M.D.

Chair

State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

AMENDED

STATEMENT

OF

CHARGES

OF

CHRIST P. KOULIS, M.D. CO-02-06-3117-A

CHRIST P. KOULIS, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York state on May 11, 1999, by the issuance of license number 213904 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- A On or about May 2, 2002, the State of Tennessee, Department of Health, Board of Medical Examiners (hereinafter "Tennessee Board"), by an Order of Summary Suspension (hereinafter "Tennessee Order"), summarily suspended Respondent's license to practice medicine, based on narcotic substance abuse, removing medications (including Class II substances such as Demerol) from a locked office medicine cabinet for his own use, depleting his office of IV fluids, IV tubing, syringes, needles, and class II controlled substances, abandoning or neglecting patients, negligence in the treatment of patients, and practicing, medicine while his license is in retirement status.
- B On or about November 18, 2004, the State of Tennessee, Department of Health, Board of Medical Examiners (hereinafter "Tennessee Board"), by an Agreed Order (hereinafter "Tennessee Order"), accepted the surrender or Respondent's license to practice medicine and required him to pay court costs including investigatory, administrative, and reporting costs, based on the Findings of Fact contained in the Tennessee Order described in Paragraph A above.
- C. The conduct resulting in the Tennessee 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(2) (practicing the profession fraudulently);
- 2. New York Education Law §6530(3) (negligence on more than one occasion);
- 3. New York Education Law §6530(5) (incompetence on more than one occasion);
- 4. New York Education Law §6530(7) (practicing the profession while impaired by drugs);
 - 5. New York Education Law §6530(8) (being a habitual user of narcotics);
- 6. New York Education Law §6530(12) (practicing the profession while the license is suspended or inactive);
 - 7. New York Education Law §6530(20) (moral unfitness); and/or
 - 8. New York Education Law §6530(30) (abandoning or neglecting a patient).

SPECIFICATIONS FIRST 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 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, B, and/or C.

SECOND SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated New York Education Law §6530(9)(d) by surrendering his license to practice medicine or having other disciplinary action taken by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct resulting in the surrender 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, B, and/or C.

DATED: **Wec** 19, 2004

Albany, New York

Feter D. Van Buren

Deputy Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct