# These charges are only allegations which may be contested by the licensee in an Administrative hearing.

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

ARIEL ABRAHAMS, M.D.

OF CHARGES

ARIEL ABRAHAMS, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about July 1, 1998, by the issuance of license number 211084 by the New York State Education Department.

#### **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

A. On or about February 1, 2016, the Medical Board of California (hereinafter, "California Board") issued a Decision which modified the Proposed Decision dated November 10, 2015, only to strike the condition of an actual suspension and adopted the balance of the Proposed Decision. The Proposed Decision placed Respondent on five years' probation in which Respondent was to complete a clinical training or education program consisting of a comprehensive assessment of Respondent's health and skills and annually take at least 40 hours of education courses aimed at correcting areas of deficient practice or knowledge. The other terms of probation stated Respondent's practice will be monitored, he is prohibited in engaging in a solo practice of medicine, and he is not to supervise physician assistants. This disciplinary action was based upon the conclusion that Respondent committed acts of gross negligence and repeated acts of negligence with regard to his failure to recognize a patient's labor, his failure to timely go to the hospital, and his failure to perform a caesarean section earlier than it was performed.

- B. The Conduct resulting in the California Board's 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) (Practicing the profession with negligence on more than one occasion); and/or
  - 2. New York Education Law § 6530(4) (Practicing the profession with gross negligence on a particular occasion); and/or

## SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES FIRST SPECIFICATION

### HAVING BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. 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 (namely N.Y. Educ. Law §§ 6530(3) and/or (4), in that Petitioner charges:

1. The facts in Paragraphs A and B and B1 and/or A and B and B2

#### SECOND SPECIFICATION

#### **DISCIPLINARY ACTION IN ANOTHER STATE**

Respondent violated New York State Education Law § 6530(9)(d) by having disciplinary action taken, where the conduct resulting in the disciplinary action involving

the license would, if committed in New York State, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York State Law, in that Petitioner charges:

2. The facts in Paragraphs A and B and B1 and/or A and B and B2.

DATE:January 25, 2017 Albany, New York

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