



**Board for Professional Medical Conduct**

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Executive Secretary

July 26, 1994

**CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

John Harrison, M.D.  
569 Ottawa Street  
St. Paul, MN 55107

RE: License No. 079919  
Effective Date: 8/2/94

Dear Dr. Harrison:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 94-122 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,

C. Maynard Guest, M.D.  
Executive Secretary  
Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

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

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IN THE MATTER :  
OF : ORDER  
JOHN HARRISON, M.D. : BPMC 94-122

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Upon the application of John Harrison, M.D.  
(Respondent) for Consent Order, which application is made a part  
hereof, it is

ORDERED, that the application and the provisions  
thereof are hereby adopted and so ORDERED, and 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 by certified mail, whichever is  
earliest.

SO ORDERED,

DATED: 22 July 1994

Charles J. Vacanti  
Charles J. Vacanti, M.D.  
Chairperson  
State Board for Professional  
Medical Conduct



4. I hereby make this application to the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (the "Board") and request that it be granted.

5. I understand that, in the event that this Application is not granted by the Board, nothing contained herein shall be binding upon me or construed to be an admission of any act of misconduct alleged or charged against me; that 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 Board shall be made without prejudice to the continuance of any disciplinary proceeding and the final determination by the Board pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Law.

6. 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.

7. I am making this Application of my own free will and not under duress, compulsion or restraint of any kind.

8. The probationary period imposed pursuant to this Application shall begin upon the effective date of the Consent Order, continue through the period of time that I am subject to the terms set forth in the Stipulation and Order ("Stipulation") issued by the Minnesota Board of Medical Practice ("Minnesota Board"), attached hereto as Exhibit "C", and incorporated herein, now being monitored by the Massachusetts Medical Society ("Mass. Society"), and, should I

return to medical practice in New York State, for a period of two years beginning upon such resumption of a medical practice in New York State. During such probationary period, I shall:

- a. Remain drug and alcohol free.
- b. Assure that my being drug and alcohol free will be monitored by a health care professional ("monitor") approved by the Mass. Society.

If my participation in the terms of the Minnesota Board Stipulation terminates while this agreement remains in effect, then the identity of my monitor shall be subject to the approval of the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct ("OPMC").

- c. At the request of my monitor, submit to random, unannounced, observed blood and/or urine screens for the presence of alcohol or drugs. My monitor shall file regular written reports to the Mass. Society regarding the results of such screens, in compliance with the terms of the Stipulation.

If my participation in the terms of the Minnesota Board Stipulation terminates while this agreement remains in effect, then such

reports shall be sent directly to the Director of OPMC at such regular intervals as s/he, in his/her discretion, shall determine.

- d. Cooperate with the regular supervision of my practice by a licensed physician ("supervisor") approved by the Minnesota Board and the Mass. Society. In my participation in the Minnesota Board Stipulation terminates while this agreement remains in effect, then the identity of my monitor shall be subject to the approval of the Director of OPMC. Such supervision may include unannounced review of my patient records; unannounced actual observation of my treatment of patients, unannounced review of my ordering, administering and inventorying of all controlled substances, interviews of me, and any other reasonable means of monitoring my practice. Any successor supervisor must be approved in the same manner.
- e. Assure that the Mass. Society, (or, if my

participation in that program is terminated,  
then my monitor and any supervisor)

submit written quarterly reports regarding  
my condition and my medical practice to the  
Director of OPMC, and that such program or  
individual(s), as the case may be, notify  
the Director of OPMC within

24 hours of: (i) any refusal by me to  
submit to screens; (ii) any positive test result;  
(iii) any information obtained about my ingestion  
of alcohol or drugs; or (iv) any adverse change  
in my condition or my practice.

- f. Commence or continue treatment with a  
licensed health care professional  
("therapist") and/or program approved  
by the Mass. Society. If my participation  
in the Minnesota Board Stipulation  
terminates while this agreement remains  
in effect, then the selection of my  
therapist/program shall be  
subject to the approval of  
the Director of OPMC. I shall continue  
in such treatment for as long as the  
health care professional or program  
determines it is necessary. Any  
subsequent therapist/program must be

approved in the same manner. At such time as it is determined that treatment is no longer necessary, my therapist/program shall so notify the Mass. Society, the Minnesota Board, the Director of OPMC, or all three, in writing;

- g. Assure that my therapist/program submits to the Mass. Society, or, if my participation in that program terminates, to the Director of OPMC, written quarterly reports certifying that I am complying with treatment. A report shall be made to to the Mass. Society, or the Director of OPMC, within 24 hours, regarding any discontinuance by me of treatment or any significant pattern of absences from scheduled treatment sessions.
- h. Inform all physicians or other health care practitioners, from whom I seek treatment, of my history of chemical dependency. In the event I am ever prescribed controlled substances, I shall notify my monitor before such medications are administered. If, as a result of any need for emergency medical treatment controlled



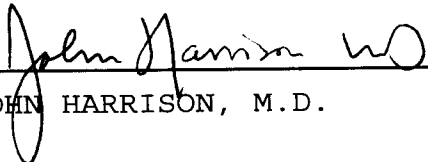
substances are administered to me without prior notice to my monitor, I shall provide such notice at the earliest opportunity. I shall not self-prescribe any medications.

9. I understand that any failure to comply with the terms of probation as set forth herein shall be considered grounds for the commencement of a violation of probation proceeding pursuant to N.Y. Public Health Law Section 230(19) (McKinney Supp. 1994.)

10. I will execute and provide the Director of OPMC with all documentation necessary to effectuate the terms of this Agreement.

11. I will immediately notify the Director of OPMC, in writing, of any change in my residence and any proposed change in my employment. It is a condition of any such change in practice or employment that I am allowed to accept that the monitoring and supervision required by this Agreement shall remain in effect and not be interrupted or interfered with in any way.

12. This agreement shall become effective upon its receipt and acceptance by the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct or her designee.

  
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JOHN HARRISON, M.D.

Sworn to before me this  
11th day of July, 1994.

Yvonne C. Martell

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires 6/23/2000

for NEW YORK STATE BOARD FOR  
PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

Accepted: July 22, 1994

Kai Tam

Dated:

Accepted:

Charles J. Vacanti

Dated: 22 July 1994

Stacy B. Napolitano  
Asst. Counsel  
Bureau  
Office of Professional  
Medical Conduct

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

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IN THE MATTER : STATEMENT  
OF : OF  
JOHN W. HARRISON, M.D. : CHARGES  
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JOHN W. HARRISON, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on February 18, 1958 by the issuance of license number 079919 by the New York State Education Department. The Respondent is not currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice medicine in New York State.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

On approximately July 11, 1992, the Minnesota Board of Medical Practice, pursuant to Minnesota Statute Sec. 147.091, subd. 1(1) (1990) issued a Stipulation and Order suspending Respondent's license to practice medicine in Minnesota. The suspension was stayed contingent upon Respondent's compliance with a series of conditions including Respondent's abstinence from alcohol and mood-altering chemicals, attendance at a self-help program, and periodic blood and urine screens.

1. The conduct upon which this sanction was based included, inter alia, Respondent's history of chemical

dependency upon alcohol with chronic use and abuse of sedative-hypnotics, Meproamate, Dorident, Fiorinal, Seconal and Phenobarbital, and Respondent's history of appearing at work exhibiting signs of his chemical dependency. Respondent's history of chemical dependency was found to have dated back to 1958 and to have continued, with intermittent periods of abstinence, until 1991.

### SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

#### FIRST SPECIFICATION

HAVING DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN BY A DULY AUTHORIZED PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINARY AGENCY OF ANOTHER STATE

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law Section 6530(9)(d) (McKinney Supp. 1994) in having his license revoked, suspended or having other disciplinary action taken by a duly authorized disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct upon which the revocation, suspension or other disciplinary action involving the license, if committed in New York State, would constitute misconduct under the laws of New York State, including,

but not limited to N.Y. Educ. Law Secs. (7) and (8)  
(McKinney's Supp. 1994). Petitioner charges:

1. The facts in paragraphs A and A(1).

DATED: New York, New York  
*February 23, 1994*



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CHRIS STERN HYMAN  
Counsel  
Bureau of Professional Medical  
Conduct

EXHIBIT "B"

TERMS OF PROBATION

1. JOHN HARRISON, M.D., Respondent, during the period of probation, shall conduct in all ways in a manner befitting professional status, and shall conform fully to the moral and professional standards of conduct imposed by law and by his profession;
2. That Respondent shall submit written notification to the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), addressed to the Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct, New York State Health Department, Corning Tower Building, 4th Floor, Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12237 of any employment and practice, of Respondent's residence and telephone number, of any change in Respondent's employment, practice, residence, or telephone number within or without the State of New York;
3. Respondent shall submit written proof from the Division of Professional Licensing Services (DPLS), New York State Education Department (NYSED), that Respondent has paid all registration fees due and owing to the NYSED and Respondent shall cooperate with and submit whatever papers are requested by DPLS in regard to said registration fees, said proof from DPLS to be submitted by Respondent to the New York State Department of Health, addressed to the Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct, as aforesaid, no later than the first three months of the period of probation;
4. Respondent shall submit written proof to the NYSDOH, addressed to the Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct, as aforesaid, that 1) Respondent is currently registered with the NYSED, unless Respondent submits written proof that Respondent has advised DPLS, NYSED, that Respondent is not engaging in the practice of Respondent's profession in the State of New York and does not desire to register, and that 2) Respondent has paid any fines which may have previously been imposed upon Respondent by the Board or by the Board of Regents; said proof of the above to be submitted no later than the first two months of the period of probation;
5. Respondent shall comply with all terms, conditions, restrictions, and penalties to which he is subject pursuant to the order of the Board, and shall comply with the directions of the Director of OPMC, the monitor and the supervising physician, issued pursuant to the terms of probation.