

New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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October 31, 1996

#### **CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Federico Lachica, M.D. C/O Gregorio Tan Gatue 109 Cordillera Street Quezon City, Philippines

RE: License No. 105944

Dear Dr. Lachica:

Effective Date: 11/07/96

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 96-257 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

cc: Roy Nemerson, Esq.

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

#### IN THE MATTER

OF

#### FEDERICO P. LA CHICA, M.D.

SURRENDER ORDER BPMC #96-257

Upon the Application of FEDERICO P. LA CHICA, 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

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

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# FEDERICO P. LA CHICA, M.D.

QUEZON CITY ) PHILIPPINES )

SS.:

FEDERICO P. LA CHICA, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

On or about May 26, 1970, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 105944 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is c/o Gregorio Tan Gatue, 109 Cordillera Street, Quezon City, Philippines, and I will advise the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any change of my address.

I understand that I have been charged with one specification 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 do not contest that specification 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.

APPLICATION TO SURRENDER LICENSE 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. In consideration of the value to me of the acceptance by the Board of this Application, allowing me to resolve this matter without the various risks and burdens of a hearing on the merits, I knowingly waive any right I may have to contest the Consent Order for which I hereby apply, whether administratively or judicially, and ask that the Application be granted.

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FEDERICO P. LA CHICA, M.D. Respondent

Sworn to before me this

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NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT	
IN THE MAT OF FEDERICO P. LA C	SURRENDER
The undersigned agree to the attached application of the Respondent to surrender his license.	
Date: <u>/////</u> , 1996	FEDERICO P. LA CHICA, M.D. Respondent
Date:, 1996	Attorney for Respondent ( <i>if any</i> )
Date:, 1996	ROY NEMERSON Deputy Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct
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ANNE F. SAILE Acting Director Office of Professional Medical Conduct

Date: 29 Setalue, 1996

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

#### <u>EXHIBIT "A"</u>

## NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT IN THE MATTER

OF

## FEDERICO P. LA CHICA, M.D.

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

FEDERICO P. LA CHICA, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about 5/26/90, by the issuance of license number 105944 by the New York State Education Department.

## FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. By Consent Order dated June 10, 1996, the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners accepted the "retirement" of Respondent's license to practice medicine and Surgery in the State of New Jersey, with prejudice. The Consent order was based upon a finding, by a Medical Practitioner Review Panel of the New Jersey State Board, of Respondent's negligent practice with regard to three patients, and was approved in further consideration of Respondent's agreeme: the permanently retire and to cease medical practice in *all* jurisdictions.

# SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES HAVING HAD DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(9)(d)(McKinney Supp. 1996) by having his or her license to practice medicine revoked, suspendec or having other disciplinary action taken, or

having his or her application for a license refused, revoked or suspended or having voluntarily or otherwise surrendered his or her license after a disciplinary action was instituted by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct resulting in the revocation, suspension or other disciplinary action involving the license or refusal, revocation or suspension of an application for a license or the surrender of the license would, if committed in New York state, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York state (namely N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(3)) as alleged in the facts of the following:

1. Paragraph A.

DATED: October , 1996 New York, New York

> ROY NEMERSON Deputy Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct