## New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct



Commissioner of Health

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Charles J. Vacanti, M.D. Chair

July 3, 1996

# **CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Wolf Hans Baerwald, M.D. 24 West Butler Chalfont, Pennsylvania 18914

License No. 159328

Dear Dr. Baerwald:

Effective Date: 07/10/96

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 96-156 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,

Charles Vacanti, M.D.

Chair

Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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Enclosure

cc: Kimberly O'Brien, Esq.

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

: ORDER

WOLF HANS BAERWALD, M.D.

: BPMC #96-156

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Upon the application of WOLF HANS BAERWALD, 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: 1 July 96

Charles J. Vacanti, M.D.

Chairperson

State Board for Professional

Medical Conduct

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

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: APPLICATION

IN THE MATTER

FOR

OF

CONSENT

WOLF HANS BAERWALD, M.D.

ORDER

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STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA )

COUNTY OF BUCKS 

ss.:

WOLF HANS BAERWALD, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York, having been issued License No. 159328 by the New York State Education Department.

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 Specifications of professional misconduct.

A copy of the Statement of Charges is annexed hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as Exhibit "A".

I admit guilt to the second specification in full satisfaction of the charges against me.

I hereby agree to the penalty of a three year suspension of my license to practice medicine in New York, with the suspension

stayed in its entirety, conditioned on my full compliance for a probationary period of three years with the Terms of Probation attached hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as Exhibit "B".

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

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, 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.

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.

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

WOLF HAMS BAERWALD,

RESPONDENT

Sworn to before me this

PATRICIA A. BAERWALD #4947337

Notary Public, State of New York Qualified in Chautaugua County

My Commission expires Feb 21, 1985 1977

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	WOLF HANS BAERWALD,	M.D. ;	CONSENT
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Respondent and to the proposed penalty based on the terms and			
conditions thereof.			
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DATE:		KIMBERLY A. ( Senior Attorn Bureau of Pro Medical Co	ofessional
DATE:	June 27 1946	ANNE F. SAILI ACTING DIRECT Office of Pro- Conduct	<u> </u>
DATE:	1 July 96	CHARLES J, V. CHAIRPERSON	ACANTI, M.D.  for Professional aduct

STATE OF NEW YORK: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

IN THE MATTER : STATEMENT

OF : OF

WOLF HANS BAERWALD, M.D. : CHARGES

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WOLF HANS BAERWALD, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about July 23, 1984, by the issuance of license number 159328 by the New York State Education Department. The Respondent is currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice medicine, at a registered address of RR#2, Box 614 Bemus Point, New York 14712.

#### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- A. On or about the period of December 1992, Respondent practiced as a radiation therapist at Woman's Christian Association Hospital in Jamestown, New York and acted inappropriately in that position, more specifically:
  - Respondent, on or about the period of December 811, 1992, inappropriately altered the treatment
    record of Patient A to show that Respondent
    applied a kidney shield when he provided radiation
    therapy, when in fact he had not.

## SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

#### FIRST SPECIFICATION

#### MORAL UNFITNESS

The Respondent is charged with conduct in the practice of medicine which evidences moral unfitness to practice medicine within the meaning of Education Law Section 6530(20) (McKinney Supp. 1996) in that the Petitioner charges:

The facts of Paragraph A and/or A1.

#### SECOND SPECIFICATION

### WILLFULLY MAKING A FALSE REPORT

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct under N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(21) (McKinney's Supp. 1996) by reason of his having willfully made a false report in that the Petitioner charges:

2. The facts in Paragraph A and/or A1.

DATED:

Albany, New York

June 26 , 1996.

Deputy Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical

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#### TERMS OF PROBATION

#### EXHIBIT B

- 1. Respondent will conform fully:
  - a. to the professional standards of conduct imposed by law and by his or her profession
  - b. with all civil and criminal laws, rules and regulations.
- 2. Respondent will notify the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of:
  - a. any and all investigations, charges, convictions or disciplinary actions taken by any local, state or federal agency, institution or facility, within thirty days of each action;
  - b. any and all changes in personal and professional addresses and telephone numbers and facility affiliations, within 30 days of such changes. This will including any change in practice location, within or outside of the State of New York. The date of departure from the State of New York, and the date of return, if any, must be reported in writing.

Failure to notify the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any of the above will be considered a violation of probation.

- Respondent will maintain legible and complete medical records which accurately reflect evaluation and treatment of patients. Records will contain a comprehensive history, physical examination findings, chief complaint, present illness, diagnosis and treatment. In cases of prescribing, dispensing, or administering of controlled substances, the medical record will contain all information required by state rules and regulations regarding controlled substances.
- 4. I will be supervised in my medical practice by a supervising physician approved by OPMC. Said supervising physician shall be familiar with my history and with the Order and its terms of probation. Said supervising physician shall be in a position to regularly observe and assess my medical practice. Said supervising physician shall acknowledge his willingness to comply with the supervision by executing the acknowledgement provided by the Office of Professional Medical Conduct.

- a. Said supervising physician shall submit to the Office quarterly reports regarding the quality of my medical practice, any unprofessional conduct, and any absences from work and certifying my compliance or detailing my failure to comply with each term of probation.
- 5. The Respondent shall successfully complete 50 hours of Continuing Medical Education (CME) in the area radiation oncology treatment. This CME is in addition to any required CME training and must be completed within six months of the final order.
- 6. In certain instances, it may be appropriate to consider tolling (holding in abeyance) a period of probation, for physicians who are not practicing in New York State.
  - a. If the Respondent does not practice medicine in the State of New York, the probation period may be tolled and the period will then be extended by the length of the period outside of New York. Any terms of probation which were not fulfilled while Respondent was in New York State, must be fulfilled upon return to New York State.
- 7. So long as there is full compliance with every term herein set forth, Respondent may continue to practice his or her profession in accordance with the terms of probation. Upon receipt of evidence of non compliance with, or any violation of these terms, the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct and/or the Board may initiate a violation of probation proceeding and/or any such other proceeding against Respondent as may be authorized by law.
  - a. Respondent shall assume and bear all costs related to compliance with the terms of probation.

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I have agreed to act as WOLF HANS BAERWALD, M.D.'s supervising physician, in his medical practice, pursuant to terms of probation described in the consent order entered into by him, and imposed by and Order of the Board.

I will regularly observe and assess WOLF HANS BAERWALD, M.D.'s medical practice.

I will 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, Fourth Floor, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12237.

I will report to the Board on a quarterly basis regarding the quality of WOLF HANS BAERWALD, M.D.'s medical practice, work, attendance, and compliance or noncompliance with the terms, conditions, or limitations placed upon him and/or his medical practice by Order of the Board.

I will immediately report to the Board any change in WOLF HANS BAERWALD, M.D.'s employment status or nature of practice.

SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN