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George E. Moront, Physician 555 Union Street Hudson, New York 12534 OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

April 29, 1992

Re: License No. 090948

Dear Dr. Moront:

Enclosed please find Commissioner's Order No. 13034. This Order goes into effect five (5) days after the date of this letter.

If the penalty imposed by the Order in your case is a revocation or a surrender of your license, you must deliver your license and registration to this Department within ten (10) days after the date of this letter. Your penalty goes into effect five (5) days after the date of this letter even if you fail to meet the time requirement of delivering your license and registration to this Department. In the event you are also served with this Order by personal service, the effective date of the Order is the date of personal service.

If the penalty imposed by the Order in your case is a revocation or a surrender of your license, you may, pursuant to Rule 24.7 (b) of the Rules of the Board of Regents, a copy of which is attached, apply for restoration of your license after one year has elapsed from the effective date of the Order and the penalty; but said application is not granted automatically.

Very truly yours,

DANIEL J. KELLEHER Director of Investigations

By:

GUSTAVE MARTINE

Supervisor

DJK/GM/er

CERTIFIED MAIL - RRR

cc: Anthony Z. Scher, Esq.
Wood & Scher
The Harwood Building
Scarsdale, New York 10583

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

APPLICATION TO

LICENSE

SURRENDER

GEORGE MORONT, M.D.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
ss.:
COUNTY OF)

On or about August 12, 1963, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 090948 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 for the period January 1, 1991 through December 31, 1992 from 555 Union Street, Hudson, New York 12534.

I understand that I have been charged with nineteen specifications 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 Board of Regents for permission to surrender my license as a physician in the State of New York on the grounds that I admit guilt to the Thirteenth Specification (negligence on more than one occasion) in that I admit guilt to

the factual allegations E and E.1, E and E.2, E and E.3, E and E.4, E and E.5, F and F.1, F and F.2, and F and F.3, including those allegations following "and/or"; and further on the grounds that I do not contest the Thirteenth Specification in that I do not contest factual allegations A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, A and A.4, A and A.5, A and A.6, A and A.7, B, C and C.1, C and C.2, C and C.3, D and D.1 and D.1(a), D and D.1 and D.1(b), D and D.1 and D.1(c), D and D.1 and D.1(d), D and D.2, D and D.3, and D and D.4, including those allegations following "and/or", all in full satisfaction of the charges.

I hereby make this application to the Board of Regents and request that it be granted.

I understand that, in the event that the application is not granted by the Board of Regents, 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 of Regents shall be made without prejudice to the continuance of any disciplinary proceeding and the final determination by the Board of Regents pursuant to the provisions of the Education Law.

I agree that, in the event the Board of Regents grants my application, an order of the Commissioner of Education may be

issued striking my name from the roster of physicians in the State of New York without further notice to me.

I further agree that the order of the Commissioner shall include a provision that I shall not apply for the restoration of my license until at least one (1) year has elapsed from the effective date of the service of such order. I understand that such application is not automatically granted but may be granted or denied.

No promises of any kind were made 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.

GEORGE MORONT, W.D.

Respondent

Sworn to before me this day of www / , 1991

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Date:	A/24/9/1991	GEORGE MORONT, M.D. Respondent	7:10
Date:	4/22, 1991	ANTHONY Z SMER, Eso Attorney for Responde	
Date:	5/10 , 1991	MEMBER, State Board of Professional Medica	for conduct
Date:	May 6, 1991	KATHLEEN M. TANNER Director, Office of	Professional

GEORGE MORONT, M.D.

The undersigned has reviewed and agrees to the attached application to surrender license.

Date: Mey 6, 1991

Office of Public Health

The undersigned, a member of the Board of Regents who has been designated by the Chairman of the Regents Committee on Professional Discipline to review this application to surrender license, has reviewed the attached application to surrender license and recommends to the Board of Regents that the application be granted.

Date: Aris 6, 1992 Error Re

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

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IN THE MATTER : STATEMENT

OF : OF

GEORGE MORONT, M.D. : CHARGES

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practice medicine in New York State on August 12, 1963, by the issuance of license number 090948 by the New York State Education Department. The Respondent is currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice medicine for the period January 1, 1991 through December 31, 1992 from 555 Union Street, Hudson, New York 12534.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. On or about July 2, 1990, Patient A (All patient names are listed in the attached Appendix) was admitted to Columbia-Greene Medical Center in Hudson, New York (hereinafter, "Columbia-Greene") under the care of the Respondent. On July 5, 1990, the Respondent performed a left pneumonectomy on Patient A.

- The Respondent did not obtain pre-operative bleeding profiles or obtain and/or record an adequate pre-operative bleeding history.
- 2. The Respondent did not perform a pre-operative bronchoscopy on Patient A.
- 3. The Respondent did not adequately appreciate and/or manage Patient A's high risk for surgery pre-operatively despite Patient A's debilitated condition.
- 4. The Respondent continued surgery without adequate control of Patient A's bleeding.
- 5. The Respondent performed the surgery on Patient A in a setting which was inappropriate to the magnitude of the surgery.
- 6. The Respondent performed the surgery on Patient A without proper surgical assistance.
- 7. The Respondent discharged Patient A from the operating room without adequate control of the patient's bleeding.
- B. On or about February 19, 1990, Patient B was admitted to the Hospital under the care of the Respondent. On that date, the Respondent performed a rigid bronchoscopy on Patient B. During the course of the procedure, the patient began to hemorrhage from the right lung. The Respondent did not properly manage the hemorrhage.
- C. On or about September 14, 1987, Patient C was admitted to Columbia Memorial Hospital (hereinafter "Columbia Memorial"). On September 25, 1987, the Respondent performed a right thoracotomy and right upper lobectomy on Patient C.

- 1. The Respondent did not obtain pulmonary function tests prior to performing a mediastinoscopy on Patient C.
- The Respondent did not obtain pre-operative bleeding profiles or obtain and/or record an adequate pre-operative bleeding history.
- 3. The Respondent performed the procedures on Patient C despite little or no chance of curative resection and/or palliation.
- D. On or about May 9, 1988, Patient D was admitted to Columbia Memorial with a history of increasing pain, discomfort, and coldness involving his left leg.
 - 1. On May 10, 1988, Respondent performed an "embolectomy" and aorto-bifemoral bypass with a prosthesis on Patient D.
 - Respondent performed and/or recorded an inadequate pre-operative vascular examination, medical history and/or physical examination.
 - b. Respondent did not obtain a pre-operative bleeding profile or obtain and/or record an adequate bleeding history pre-operatively.
 - c. Respondent did not establish an adequate runoff during the course of the procedure.
 - d. Respondent did not evaluate and/or respond in a timely fashion to inadequate arterial blood flow following the procedure.
 - 2. On May 11, 1988, Respondent performed an above-knee amputation on Patient D without allowing sufficient time for demarcation.
 - 3. On June 19, 1988, the Respondent performed a new anastomosis on Patient D at the right femoral anastomotic site, which was grossly infected. The procedure was inappropriate.
 - On June 29, 1988, the Respondent performed a take-down of the aorto-femoral graft on Patient D's right groin,

which was grossly infected, and placed a vein graft in its position. The procedure was inappropriate.

- E. On or about August 3, 1986, Patient E was admitted to Columbia Memorial. On or about August 8, 1986, the Respondent performed a radical pancreatico-duodenectomy on Patient E.
 - The Respondent did not obtain a pre-operative bleeding profile or obtain and/or record an adequate pre-operative bleeding history.
 - The Respondent performed the procedure on Patient E without proper surgical assistance.
 - 3. The Respondent performed the procedure on Patient E despite the contraindication of his identification of tumor involvement with the mesenteric vein.
 - 4. The Respondent caused hemorrhaging in the patient which he thereafter did not manage properly.
 - 5. The Respondent did not obtain central venous pressures to determine fluid management.
 - F. On or about May 23, 1986, Patient F was admitted to Columbia Memorial. On or about May 24, 1986, the Respondent performed an exploratory laparotomy with incision and drainage of an appendiceal abscess and an appendectomy.
 - The Respondent did not examine Patient F during Patient F's post-operative care and physical decline or otherwise provide for another physician to examine Patient F.
 - The Respondent did not order central venous pressures or Swan-Ganz monitoring to determine fluid management.
 - The Respondent did not adequately treat Patient F's shock during the post-operative period.

SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

FIRST THROUGH SIXTH SPECIFICATIONS

PRACTICING WITH GROSS NEGLIGENCE

Respondent is charged with practicing the profession with gross negligence within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law §6509(2) (McKinney 1985), in that Petitioner charges:

- 1. The facts in Paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, A and A.4, A and A.5, A and A.6, and/or A and A.7.
- 2. The facts in Paragraph B.
- 3. The facts in Paragraphs C and C.1, C and C.2, and/or C and C.3.
- 4. The facts in Paragraphs D and D.1 and D1(a), D and D.1 and D.1(b), D and D.1 and D.1(c), D and D.1 and D.1(d), D and D.2, D and D.3, and/or D and D.4.
- 5. The facts in Paragraphs E and E.1, E and E.2, E and E.3, E and E.4, and/or E and E.5.
- The facts in Paragraphs F and F.1, F and F.2, and/or F and F.3.

SEVENTH THROUGH TWELFTH SPECIFICATIONS

PRACTICING WITH GROSS INCOMPETENCE

Respondent is charged with practicing the profession with gross incompetence within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law §6509(2) (McKinney 1985), in that Petitioner charges:

- The facts in Paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, A and A.4, A and A.5, A and A.6, and/or A and A.7.
- 8. The facts in Paragraph B.
- The facts in Paragraphs C and C.1, C and C.2, and/or C and C.3.
- 10. The facts in Paragraphs D and D.1 and D.1(a), D and D.1 and D.1(b), D and D.1 and D.1(c), D and D.1 and D.1(d), D and D.2, D and D.3, and/or D and D.4.
- 11. The facts in Paragraphs E and E.1, E and E.2, E and E.3, E and E.4, and/or E and E.5.
- 12. The facts in Paragraphs F and F.1, F and F.2, and/or F and F.3.

THIRTEENTH SPECIFICATION

PRACTICING WITH NEGLIGENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with practicing the profession with negligence on more than one occasion within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law §6509(2) (McKinney 1985), in that Petitioner charges two or more of the following:

13. The facts in Paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, A and A.4, A and A.5, A and A.6, A and A.7, B, C and C.1, C and C.2, C and C.3, D and D.1 and D.1(a), D and D.1 and D.1(b), D and D.1 and D.1(c), D and D.1 and D.1(d), D and D.2, D and D.3, D and D.4, E and E.1, E and E.2, E and E.3, E and E.4, E and E.5, F and F.1, F and F.2 and/or F and F.3.

FOURTEENTH SPECIFICATION

PRACTICING WITH INCOMPETENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with practicing the profession with incompetence on more than one occasion within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law §6509(2) (McKinney 1985), in that Petitioner charges two or more of the following:

14. The facts in Paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, A and A.4, A and A.5, A and A.6, A and A.7, B, C and C.1, C and C.2, C and C.3, D and D.1 and D.1(a), D and D.1 and D.1(b), D and D.1 and D.1(c), D and D.1 and D.1(d), D and D.2, D and D.3, D and D.4, E and E.1, E and E.2, E and E.3, E and E.4, E and E.5, F and F.1, F and F.2, and/or F and F.3.

FIFTEENTH SPECIFICATION

ABANDONING OR NEGLECTING A PATIENT IN NEED OF IMMEDIATE PROFESSIONAL CARE, WITHOUT MAKING REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CONTINUATION OF SUCH CARE

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct by abandoning or neglecting a patient in need of immediate professional care, without making reasonable arrangements for the continuation of such care within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law §6509(9) (McKinney 1985), as defined at 8 N.Y.C.R.R. §29.2(a)(1), in that Petitioner charges the following:

15. The facts in Paragraphs F and F.1.

SIXTEENTH THROUGH NINTEENTH SPECIFICATIONS

INACCURATE RECORDS

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct by failing to maintain records which accurately reflect the evaluation and treatment of the patient within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law §6509(9) (McKinney 1985), as defined at 8 N.Y.C.R.R. §29.2(a)(3), in that Petitioner charges:

- 16. The facts in Paragraphs A and A.1.
- 17. The facts in Paragraphs C and C.2.
- 18. The facts in Paragraphs D and D.1 and D.1(a), and/or D and D.1 and D.1(b).
- 19. The facts in Paragraphs E and E.2.

DATED: Albany, New York

PETER D. VAN BUREN
Deputy Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical
Conduct



The University of the State of New York,

IN THE MATTER

OF

GEORGE MORONT (Physician)

ORIGINAL
VOTE AND ORDER
NO. 13034

Upon the application of GEORGE MORONT, under Calendar No. 13034, which application is made a part hereof, and in accordance with the provisions of Title VIII of the Education Law, it was

<u>VOTED</u> (April 29, 1992): That the application of GEORGE MORONT, respondent, for permission to surrender respondent's license to practice as a physician in the State of New York be granted; and that the Deputy Commissioner for the Professions be empowered to execute, for and on behalf of the Board of Regents, all orders necessary to carry out the provisions of this vote;

and it is

ORDERED: That, pursuant to the above vote of the Board of Regents, said vote and the provisions thereof as well as the application and the provisions thereof are hereby adopted and SO ORDERED, and it is further

ORDERED that respondent may not apply for the restoration of said license until at least one (1) year has elapsed from the effective date of the service of this order, and it is further

ORDERED that this order shall take effect as of the date of the personal service of this order upon the respondent or five days after mailing by certified mail.

GEORGE MORONT (13034)

WITNESS WHEREOF, IN I, Henry A. Fernandez, Deputy Commissioner for the Professions of the State of New York, for and on behalf of the State Education Department and the Board of Regents, do hereunto set my hand, at the City of Albany, this 29th day of April, 1992.

HENRY A. FERNANDEZ
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR THE PROFESSIONS



The University of the State of New York.

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IN THE MATTER
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GEORGE E. MORONT
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Education Center, Empire State Plaza, Room 3059C, Albany, New York 12230. On the 29th day of, 1992, I personally delivered to
the Empire State Plaza Postal Office the Duplicate Original Vote of the Board
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Scher, The Harwood Building, Scarsdale, New York 10583. Certified Mail
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The effective date of the Order being the 1992.
Sworn to before me this
30th day of april , 1992

MARY MARTIN
Notary Public, State of New York
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