



New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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Executive Secretary

August 5, 1997

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Sandra Parapatis, P.A.
700 South Mississippi Avenue
Amarillo, TX 79106

Re: License No. 003947

Dear Ms. Parapatis:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 97-191 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
433 River Street - Suite 303
Troy, New York 12180-2299

Sincerely,

Ansel R. Marks, M.D., J.D.
Executive Secretary
Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosures

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

**IN THE MATTER
OF
SANDRA PARAPATIS, P.A.**

**SURRENDER
ORDER**
BPMC #97-191

Upon the proposed agreement of SANDRA PARAPATIS, P. A. (Respondent) to Surrender her license as a physician's assistant in the State of New York, which proposed agreement is made a part hereof, it is agreed to and


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: August 1, 1997


PATRICK F. CARONE, M.D., M.P.H.
Chairperson
State Board for Professional
Medical Conduct

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

IN THE MATTER
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SANDRA PARAPATIS, P.A.

SURRENDER
OF
LICENSE

STATE OF TEXAS)

ss.:

COUNTY OF)

SANDRA PARAPATIS, P.A., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

On or about April 30, 1990, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician's assistant in the State of New York having been issued License No. 003947 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is 700 South Mississippi Avenue, Amarillo, Texas, 79106, 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's assistant in the State of New York on the grounds that I admit guilt to 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.

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.

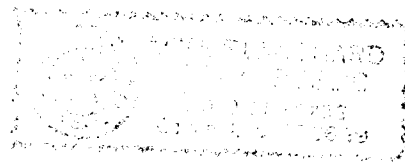
I am making this Application of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion or restraint of any kind or manner. In consideration of the value to me of the acceptance by the Board of this Application, allowing me to resolve this matter without the various risks and burdens of a hearing on the merits, I knowingly waive any right I may have to contest the Surrender Order for which I hereby apply, whether administratively or judicially, and ask that the Application be granted.


SANDRA PARAPATIS, P.A.
RESPONDENT

Sworn to before me this

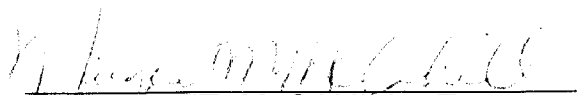
01 day of JULY, 1997


NOTARY PUBLIC



The undersigned agree to the attached application of the Respondent to surrender his license.

Date: 7/29/97


MARGARET McCahill, Esq.
Attorney for Respondent

Date: 7/29/97


DIANNE ABELOFF
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL
Bureau of Professional
Medical Conduct

Date: 7/29/97


ANNE F. SAILE
Director
Office of Professional Medical Conduct

**IN THE MATTER
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**STATEMENT
OF
CHARGES**

SANDRA PARAPATIS, P.A., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about April 30, 1990, by the issuance of license number 003947 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- A. On or about March 20, 1995, Respondent admitted that she forged a physician's name on a prescription written in her name for Fiorinol with Codeine #3 (30 capsules). Respondent also admitted that she possessed three blank prescription forms without the permission of the physicians and two additional signed prescription forms, one for Soma and the other for prednisone, without the permission of the physicians.

On or about July 10, 1996, the Physician Assistant Examining Committee of the Medical Board of California ordered that Respondent's license to practice as a physician's assistant be revoked, said revocation was stayed and Respondent's license was placed on probation for five years.

SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

EXHIBIT "A"

FIRST SPECIFICATION
HAVING HAD DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(9)(d)(McKinney Supp. 1997) by having his or her license to practice medicine revoked, suspended 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 Educ. Law (namely N.Y. Educ. Law §6530 (2) practicing fraudulently and § 6530 (16) willful failure to comply with substantial provisions of federal, state, or local laws governing the practice of medicine) as alleged in the facts of the following:

1. Paragraph A.

DATED: July , 1997
New York, New York

ROY NEMERSON
Deputy Counsel
Bureau of Professional
Medical Conduct