New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct



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Charles J. Vacanti, M.D. Chair

December 4, 1995

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Richard C. Putnam, M.D. 787 Valley Forge Road Devbon, Pennsylvania 19333

RE:

License No. 076298

Dear Dr. Putnam:

Effective Date: 12/11/95

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 95-293 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: E. Marta Sachey, Esq.

STATE OF NEW YORK :	DEPARTMENT OF HE	ALTH	
STATE BOARD FOR FROFES	SSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUC	T	
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IN THE	MATTER	:	
OF		: ORDER	
RICHARD COOK	K PUTNAM, M.D.	: BPMC #95-2	93

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Upon the Application of RICHARD COOK PUTNAM, M.D. (Respondent) to Surrender his 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: 30 November 1995

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

IN THE MATTER

: APPLICATION TO

OF

SURRENDER

RICHARD COOK PUTNAM, M.D. : LICENSE

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STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA)

COUNTY OF THE PYFFRIN)

RICHARD COOK PUTNAM, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- 1. I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York on March 4, 1955 having been issued License No. 076298 by the New York State Education Department. I am not currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice medicine in New York State.
- 2. I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct has charged me 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".

- 3. I hereby admit guilt to the one specification of professional misconduct set forth in the Statement of Charges.
- 4. I hereby make this Application to the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct and request that it be granted.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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.

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

RICHARD COOK PUTNAM, M.D.
Respondent

Sworn to before me this 27 day of \cancel{NoV} , 1995

NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH		
STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL	MEDICAL CONDUCT	
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OF	: SURRENDER	
RICHARD COOK PUTNAM : LICENSE		
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The undersigned agree t	o the attached application of the	
Respondent to surrender his	license.	
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Date: <u>Nov 27</u> , 1995	RICHARD COOK PUTNAM, M.D. Respondent	
Date: $\frac{N_{00}}{2^{9}}$, 1995	E. MARTA SACHEY Associate Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct	
Date: <u>100 30</u> , 1995	KATHLEEN M. TANNER Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct	
Date: Bu November 1995	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

IN THE MATTER

: STATEMENT

OF

OF

RICHARD COOK PUTNAM, M.D. : CHARGES

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RICHARD COOK PUTNAM, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on March 3, 1955 by the issuance of license number 076298 by the New York State Education Department. Respondent is not currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice medicine in New York State.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- Respondent, in December 1993, voluntarily surrendered 1. his license to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine. The Pennsylvania Board accepted the surrender, by Order dated December 21, 1993, and deemed its action a reportable discipline.
- Respondent surrendered his license after the 2. Pennsylvania State Board had instituted disciplinary action against Respondent in August 1993, by service of a Notice and Order to Show Cause in which Respondent was charged with being addicted to controlled

substances and alcohol in violation of 63 P.S. \$422.41(5).

3. The conduct underlying the surrender of Respondent's license would, if committed in New York State, constitute professional medical misconduct under N.Y. Educ. Law \$6530(8) [habitual abuser of alcohol or dependent on or habitual user of drugs] (McKinney Supp. 1995).

SPECIFICATION

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct under N.Y. Educ. Law \$6530(9)(d) by reason of having his license to practice revoked, suspended or having other disciplinary action taken, or having his application for a license refused, revoked or suspended or having voluntarily or otherwise surrendered his license after a disciplinary action was instituted be 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, suspension of an application for license or the surrender of the license would, if committed in New York State, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York State, in that Petitioner charges the facts in Paragraphs 1 through 3.

DATED: October 17, 1995 Albany, New York

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