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Antonia C. Novello, M.D., M.P.H., Dr.P.H. Commissioner

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Executive Deputy Commissioner

February 27, 2001

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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NYS Department of Health
Hedley Building – 4th Floor
433 River Street
Troy, New York 12180

Georges Rene Reding, M.D. 953 North 35th Street Galesburg, MI 49053

RE: In the Matter of Georges Rene Reding, M.D.

Dear Parties:

Enclosed please find the Determination and Order (No. 01-50) of the Hearing Committee in the above referenced matter. This Determination and Order shall be deemed effective upon the receipt or seven (7) days after mailing by certified mail as per the provisions of §230, subdivision 10, paragraph (h) of the New York State Public Health Law.

Five days after receipt of this Order, you will be required to deliver to the Board of Professional Medical Conduct your license to practice medicine together with the registration certificate. Delivery shall be by either certified mail or in person to:

Office of Professional Medical Conduct New York State Department of Health Hedley Park Place 433 River Street - Fourth Floor Troy, New York 12180 If your license or registration certificate is lost, misplaced or its whereabouts is otherwise unknown, you shall submit an affidavit to that effect. If subsequently you locate the requested items, they must then be delivered to the Office of Professional Medical Conduct in the manner noted above.

As prescribed by the New York State Public Health Law §230, subdivision 10, paragraph (i), and §230-c subdivisions 1 through 5, (McKinney Supp. 1992), "the determination of a committee on professional medical conduct may be reviewed by the Administrative Review Board for professional medical conduct." Either the licensee or the Department may seek a review of a committee determination.

Request for review of the Committee's determination by the Administrative Review Board stays penalties other than suspension or revocation until final determination by that Board. Summary orders are not stayed by Administrative Review Board reviews.

All notices of review must be served, by certified mail, upon the Administrative Review Board and the adverse party within fourteen (14) days of service and receipt of the enclosed Determination and Order.

The notice of review served on the Administrative Review Board should be forwarded to:

James F. Horan, Esq., Administrative Law Judge New York State Department of Health Bureau of Adjudication Hedley Park Place 433 River Street, Fifth Floor Troy, New York 12180

The parties shall have 30 days from the notice of appeal in which to file their briefs to the Administrative Review Board. Six copies of all papers must also be sent to the attention of Mr. Horan at the above address and one copy to the other party. The stipulated record in this matter shall consist of the official hearing transcript(s) and all documents in evidence.

Parties will be notified by mail of the Administrative Review Board's Determination and Order.

Sincerely,

Tyrone T. Butler, Director

Bureau of Adjudication

TTB:cah Enclosure

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

GEORGES RENE REDING, M.D.



DETERMINATION

AND

ORDER

BPMC #01-50

A Commissioner's Order/Notice of Hearing, dated December 13, 2000, and a Statement of Charges, dated December 12, 2000, were served upon the Respondent, GEORGES RENE REDING, M.D.

MICHAEL R. GOLDING, M.D., Chairperson, MOHAMMAD GHAZI-MOGHADAM, M.D. and WILLIAM W. WALENCE, Ph.D., duly designated members of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct, served as the Hearing Committee in this matter pursuant to Section 230(10)(e) of the Public Health Law. MICHAEL P. MCDERMOTT, ESQ., Administrative Law Judge, served as the Administrative Officer.

A hearing was held on February 15, 2001, at the Offices of the New York State Department of Health, Hedley Park Place, 433 River Street, Troy, New York. The Department appeared by **DONALD P. BERENS, ESQ.,** General Counsel, by **ROBERT BOGAN, ESQ.,** and **PAUL ROBERT MAHER, ESQ.,** of Counsel. The Respondent failed to appear.

Evidence was received and transcripts of these proceedings were made.

After consideration of the entire record, the Hearing Committee issues this Determination and Order.

STATEMENT OF CASE

This case was brought pursuant to Public Health Law Section 230(10)(p). The statute provides for an expedited hearing where a licensee is charged solely with a violation of Education Law Section 6530(9). In such case, a licensee is charged with misconduct based upon a prior criminal conviction in New York or another jurisdiction, or upon a prior administrative adjudication regarding conduct which would amount to professional misconduct, if committed in New York. The scope of an expedited hearing is limited to a determination of the nature and severity of the penalty to be imposed upon the licensee.

In the instant case, the Respondent is charged with professional misconduct pursuant to Education Law Section 6530(9)(b) and (d). A copy of the Commissioner's Order, Notice of Summary Referral Proceeding and Statement of Charges are attached to this Determination and Order as Appendix 1.

WITNESSES

For the Petitioner

NONE

For Respondent:

NONE

FINDINGS OF FACT

The following Findings of Fact were made after a review of the entire record in this matter. Numbers in parentheses refer to transcript page numbers or exhibits. These citations represent evidence found persuasive by the Hearing Committee in arriving at a particular finding. Conflicting evidence, if any, was considered and rejected in favor of the

cited evidence. All Hearing Committee findings were unanimous unless otherwise specified.

- 1. **GEORGES RENE REDING, M.D.**, the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on December 12, 1967, by the issuance of license number 100434 by the New York State Education Department. (Pet's Ex. 5).
- 2. On May 26, 2000, the State of Michigan, Department of Consumer & Industry Services, Board of Medicine Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Michigan Board"), by an Order of Summary Suspension (hereinafter "Michigan Order 1"), found that the public health, safety, or welfare required emergency action and Summarily Suspended Respondent's license to practice medicine, based on lack of good moral character, and violating rules of the Michigan Public Health Code. (Pet's Ex. 6)
- 3. On July 31, 2000, the Michigan Board, by a Final Order (hereinafter "Michigan Order 2"), suspended Respondent's license to practice medicine for a minimum period of six (6) months and one (1) day and required that before any reinstatement thereof he supply clear and convincing evidence that he is of good moral character, is able to practice the profession with reasonable skill and safety, and that it is in the public interest for him to resume the practice. (Pet's Ex. 6)
- 4. By ORDER, dated December 13, 2000, Antonia C. Novello, M.D., M.P.H., Dr. P.H., Commissioner of the New York State Department of Health, after an investigation, upon the recommendation of a committee on professional medical conduct of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct, and upon the Statement of Charges attached hereto and made a part hereof, has determined that Georges Rene Reding, M.D., has been

disciplined by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another jurisdiction, the State of Michigan, Department of Consumer & Industry Services, Bureau Health Services, Board of Medicine Disciplinary Subcommittee, for acts which if committed in this state would have constituted the basis for summary action by the Commissioner pursuant to N.Y. Public Health Law Section 230(12)(a).

The Commissioner ORDERED, "pursuant to N.Y. Public Health Law Section 230(12)(b), that effective immediately, Georges Rene Reding, M.D., Respondent, shall not practice medicine in the State of New York or in any other jurisdiction where that practice is predicated upon a valid New York State license to practice medicine. This Order shall remain in effect unless modified or vacated by the Commissioner of Health pursuant to N.Y. Public Health Law Section 230(12)." (Pet's Ex. 1)

HEARING COMMITTEE CONCLUSIONS

The Hearing Committee concludes that the conduct resulting in the Michigan Board's disciplinary actions against Respondent would constitute misconduct under the laws of New York State, pursuant to:

- New York Education Law §6530(2) (practicing fraudulently);
- New York Education Law §6530(3) (negligence on more than one occasion);
- New York Education Law §6530(16) (failure to comply with federal, state, or local laws, rules, or regulations);
- New York Education Law §6530(20) (moral unfitness); and/or
- New York Education Law §6530(32) (record keeping).

VOTE OF THE HEARING COMMITTEE

SPECIFICATIONS

FIRST SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated New York Education Law §65630(9)(b) by having been found

guilty of improper professional practice or professional misconduct by a duly authorized

professional disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct upon which the finding

was based would, if committed in New York State, constitute professional misconduct

under the laws of New York State.

VOTE: SUSTAINED (3-0)

SECOND SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated New York Education Law §6530(9)(d) by reason of having his

license to practice medicine suspended or having other disciplinary action taken, after a

disciplinary action was instituted by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of

another state, where the conduct resulting in suspension or other disciplinary action, would,

if committed in New York State, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New

York State.

VOTE: SUSTAINED (3-0)

HEARING COMMITTEE DETERMINATION

The record in this case indicates that on July 31, 2000, the Michigan Board, by a

Final Order, suspended the Respondent's license to practice medicine for a minimum

period of six (6) months and one (1) day and required that before any reinstatement thereof

he supply clear and convincing evidence that he is of good moral character, is able to practice the profession with reasonable skill and safety, and that it is in the public interest for him to resume the practice.

The Respondent did not appear at the present hearing nor did he submit any evidence in mitigation of the charges.

The Hearing Committee determines that, given the seriousness of the charges against the Respondent, his license to practice medicine in the State of New York should be REVOKED.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. The Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of New York is REVOKED.
- 2. This **ORDER** shall be effective upon service on the Respondent or the Respondent's attorney by personal service or certified or registered mail.

DATED: 23 Feb , 2001 , New York

MICHAEL R. GOLDING, M.D.

Chairperson

MOHAMMAD GHAZI-MOGHADAM, M.D. WILLIAM W. WALENCE, Ph.D.

APPENDIX I

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

IN THE MATTER

OF

GEORGES RENE REDING, M.D.

COMMISSIONER'S ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING

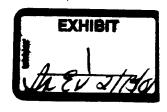
TO: GEORGES RENE REDING, M.D. 953 North 35th Street Galesburg, MI 49053

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It is therefore.

ORDERED, pursuant to N.Y. Public Health Law Section 230(12)(b), that effective immediately, Georges Rene Reding, M.D., Respondent, shall not practice medicine in the State of New York or in any other jurisdiction where that practice is predicated upon a valid New York State license to practice medicine. This Order shall remain in effect unless modified or vacated by the Commissioner of Health pursuant to N.Y. Public Health Law Section 230(12).

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing will be held pursuant to the provisions of N.Y. Public Health Law Section 230, and N.Y. State Admin. Proc. Act Sections 301-307 and 401. The hearing will be conducted before a committee on professional conduct of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct on the 18th day of January, 2001 at 10:00 am in the forenoon at Hedley Park Place, 5th Floor, 433 River Street, Troy, New York 12180, and at such other adjourned dates, times, and places as the committee may



direct. The Respondent may file an answer to the Statement of Charges with the belownamed attorney for the Department of Health.

At the hearing, evidence will be received concerning the allegations set forth in the Statement of Charges, which is attached. A stenographic record of the hearing will be made and the witnesses at the hearing will be sworn and examined. The Respondent shall appear in person at the hearing and may be represented by counsel. The Respondent has the right to produce witnesses and evidence on his behalf, to issue or have subpoenas issued on his behalf for the production of witnesses and documents, and to cross-examine witnesses and examine evidence produced against him. Such evidence or sworn testimony shall be limited to evidence and testimony relating to the nature and severity of the penalty to be imposed upon the licensee. Where the charges are based on the conviction of state law crimes in other jurisdictions, evidence may be offered which would show that conviction would not be a crime in New York State. The Committee also may limit the number of witnesses whose testimony will be received, as well as the length of time any witness will be permitted to testify. A summary of the Department of Health Hearing Rules is enclosed. Pursuant to Section 301(5) of the State Administrative Procedure Act, the Department, upon reasonable notice, will provide at no charge, a qualified interpreter of the deaf to interpret the proceedings to, and the testimony of, any deaf person.

The hearing will proceed whether or not the Respondent appears at the hearing. Scheduled hearing dates are considered dates certain and, therefore, adjournment requests are not routinely granted. Requests for adjournments must be made in writing to the Administrative Law Judges' Office, Hedley Park Place, 433 River Street, 5th Floor, Troy, New York 12180, (518-402-0751), upon notice to the attorney for the Department of Health whose name appears below, and at least five days prior to the scheduled hearing date. Claims of court engagement will require detailed affidavits of actual engagement. Claims of illness will require medical documentation.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the committee shall make findings of fact, conclusions concerning the charges sustained or dismissed, and, in the event any of the charges are sustained, a determination of the penalty or sanction to be imposed or appropriate action to be taken. Such determination may be reviewed by the Administrative Review Board for Professional Medical Conduct.

THESE PROCEEDINGS MAY RESULT IN A
DETERMINATION THAT YOUR LICENSE TO
PRACTICE MEDICINE IN NEW YORK STATE
REVOKED OR SUSPENDED, AND/OR THAT
YOU MAY BE FINED OR SUBJECT TO OTHER
SANCTIONS SET FORTH IN NEW YORK PUBLIC
HEALTH LAW SECTION 230-a. YOU ARE
URGED TO OBTAIN AN ATTORNEY IN THIS
MATTER.

DATED: Albany, New York

Dec. 13

, 2000

ANTONIA C. NOVELLO, M.D., M.P.H, Dr.P.H

Commissioner

Inquiries should be addressed to:

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STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT	
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DATED: Dec. 12, 2000 Albany, New York

FETER D. VAN BUREN

Deputy Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct