# New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct



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Executive Secretary

September 16, 1998

## CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mohammed Sami, M.D. 55 Lakeview Irvine, California 92604

RE: Lice

License No. 121788

Dear Dr. Sami:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 98-210 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect **September 23, 1998.** 

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 Hedley Park Place, Suite 303 433 River Street Troy, New York 12180

Sincerely,

Ansel R. Marks, M.D., J.D. Executive Secretary

Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

cc: Anthony Benigno, Esq.

IN THE MATTER

: SURRENDER

OF

: ORDER

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D. : BPMC # 98-210

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D. says:

On or about September 16, 1974, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 121788 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is 55 Lakeview, Irvine, CA 92604 and I will advise the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any change of my address.

I am not currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice as a physician in the State of New York.

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 an agreement to allow me to surrender my license as a physician in the State of New York and request that the Board issue this Surrender Order.

I hereby agree not to contest the allegations and one specification set forth in the Statement of Charges (Exhibit A).

I understand that, in the event that this proposed agreement 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 proposed agreement 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 agrees with my proposal, this 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 agreement of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion, or restraint of any kind or

manner.

MOHAMMED I. SAMI Respondent

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Director, Office of
Professional Medical Conduct

AGREED	TO:	
Date:	, 1998	Esq. Attorney for Respondent
Date:	, 1998	ANTHONY M. BENIGNO Assistant Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct
Date: x	September 8 1998	Ann Sour

IN THE MATTER

: SURRENDER

OF

: ORDER

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D. : BPMC #

Upon the proposed agreement of MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D., to Surrender his license as a physician in the State of New York, which proposed agreement is made a part hereof, it is AGREED TO and

ORDERED, that the proposed agreement 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.

DATED: September 11, 1998

State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

IN THE MATTER

: STATEMENT

OF

OF

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D. : CHARGES

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about September 16, 1974 by issuance of license number 121788 by the New York State Education Department. The Respondent is not currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice medicine.

### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

1. On or about July 1, 1996 the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct issued Consent Order #BPMC 96-155, hereto attached as Exhibit 1, wherein MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D., Respondent, admitted guilt to the second specifications of professional misconduct and received a four year suspension with suspension stayed conditioned on his full compliance with the terms of probation. The terms of probation imposed a condition requiring him to maintain current registration of his license during the period of probation and within 90 days of the date of the order (July 1, 1996) provide proof of current registration to the Director of OPMC. Despite three reminder letters from the Office of Professional Medical Conduct physician monitoring

program dated October 21, 1997, November 19, 1997 and February 13, 1998 Respondent has failed to maintain current New York license registration as a physician and/or provide proof of current registration to the Director of OPMC within 90 days of the consent order aforementioned.

### FIRST SPECIFICATION

# HAVING VIOLATED A TERM OF PROBATION IMPOSED BY PHL SECTION 230

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct under N.Y. Education Law section 6530(29) by reason of his having violated a term of probation imposed upon him pursuant to Section 230 of the Public Health Law, by BPMC Order #96-155, in that Petitioner charges:

1. The facts in paragraph 1.

DATED: September 4 , 1998
Albany, New York

Deputy Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

IN THE MATTER

OF .

: ORDER

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D.

: BPMC #96-155

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Upon the application of MOHAMMED I. SAMI, 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: July

Charles J. Vacanti,

Chairperson

State Board for Professional

Medical Conduct

: APPLICATION

IN THE MATTER

FOR

OF

CONSENT

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D.

ORDER

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA )

SS.:

COUNTY OF ORANGE )

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, 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. 121788 by the New York State Education Department.

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 following penalty: a four year suspension of my license to practice medicine, with the suspension stayed in its entirety conditioned on my full compliance with the Terms of Probation attached hereto as Exhibits

B for a probationary period of four years.

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.

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D.

RESPONDENT

Sworn to before me this

20 th day of

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1996.

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Notary Public — Coffan
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STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH			
STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDIC	CAL CONDUCT		
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IN THE MATTER	: APPLICATION		
OF	: FOR		
MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M	: CONSENT		
	: ORDER		
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The undersigned agree to the attached application of the			
Respondent and to the proposed penalty based on the terms and			
conditions thereof.	1		
DATE:	MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D.		
	Respondent		
DATE: June 26 1996	KEVIN P. DONOVAN		
	ASSOCIATE COUNSEL Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct		
DATE: Econo - 5 1976	ANNE F. SAILE ACTING DIRECTOR Office of Professional Medica Conduct		
DATE: 1 July 1996	CHARLES J. VACANTI, M.D. CHAIRPERSON State Board for Professional Medical Conduct		

IN THE MATTER

: STATEMENT

OF

OF

MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D.

: CHARGES

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MOHAMMED I. SAMI, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on September 16, 1974, by the issuance of license number 121788 by the New York State Education Department.

### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. By Stipulation In Settlement, Decision And Order effective June 15, 1995, of the Medical Board of California, Respondent admitted guilt of paragraphs 18 through 29 of the Supplemental Accusation pending against him. Those paragraphs set forth extensive inappropriate and excessive prescribing of narcotics for himself and/or others; of no records reflecting a good faith physical examination and valid indication for any of the prescriptions; and of failure to maintain medical records for patients. Respondent admitted that his conduct constituted gross negligence, repeated negligent acts, incompetence, and dishonesty in that he failed to evaluate patients and prescribe only medically necessary drugs; he failed to appropriately evaluate patients; he engaged in a pattern of prescribing the strongest codeine without differentiating among patients; he did not have adequate records for patients who were given controlled

substances; and he falsely represented persons as his patients and used false addresses and different names. Additionally, Respondent admitted that procedures he performed on two patients were extreme departures from the standard of care. Respondent's license was revoked, with all but 60 days of the revocation stayed, and he was placed on probation for 5 years.

B. The conduct of which Respondent was found guilty in California would, if committed in New York State, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York State, namely gross negligence within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(4) (McKinney Supp. 1996), negligence on more than one occasion within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(3) (McKinney Supp. 1996), and practicing the profession fraudulently within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(2) (McKinney Supp. 1996).

# SPECIFICATIONS OF MISCONDUCT

# FIRST SPECIFICATION GUILTY OF MISCONDUCT IN ANOTHER STATE

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(9)(b) (McKinney Supp. 1996) in that he was 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, in that Petitioner charges:

1. The facts of paragraphs A and B.

# SECOND SPECIFICATION

# DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY ANOTHER STATE

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(9)(d)(McKinney Supp. 1996) in that he had disciplinary action taken against his license by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct resulting in the disciplinary action would, if committed in New York State, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York State, in that Petitioner charges:

1. The facts of paragraphs A and B.

Fing 11, 1996 Albany, New York DATED:

Deputy Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

#### TERMS OF PROBATION

### EXHIBIT B

- 1. Respondent will personally meet with a member of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct staff at the discretion of the Director of the Office or designee.
- 2. Respondent will conform fully:
  - a. to the professional standards of conduct imposed by law and by his profession, and
  - b. with all civil and criminal laws, rules and regulations.
- 3. 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.

- 4. Respondent shall fully comply with all requirements of the Decision of the Medical Board of California in the Matter of the Accusation Against: Iqbal Sami, No. 07-90-2151, effective June 15, 1995. He shall complete any authorizations or releases requested by the staff of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct to permit the Office to obtain full information and documents from Medical Board of California to determine whether Respondent is in full compliance with said Decision.
- 5. Respondent will maintain current registration of his license during the period of probation. Within 90 days of the date of this Order, Respondent shall provide proof of current registration to the Director of OPMC.
- 6. 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.

7. Respondent shall assume and bear all costs related to compliance with the terms of probation.