



Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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C. Maynard Guest, M.D.
Executive Secretary

December 18, 1992

CERTIFIED RETURN-RECEIPT REQUESTED

Felicitas Santiago, M.D.
79 Sylvan Avenue
Miller Place, New York 11764

RE: License No. 129007

Effective Date 12/22/92

Dear Dr. Santiago:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 92-115 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 12237-0614

If the penalty imposed by the Order is a fine, please write the check payable to the New York State Department of Health. Noting the BPMC Order number on your remittance will assist in proper crediting. Payments should be directed to the following address:

Bureau of Accounts Management
New York State Department of Health
Empire State Plaza
Tower Building-Room 1245
Albany, New York 12237

Sincerely,



C. Maynard Guest, M.D.
Executive Secretary
Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

cc: Ira Friedman, Esq.
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Suite 2200
Brooklyn, New York 11120

Diane Abeloff, Esq.

bcc: Chris Hyman
Roy Nemerson
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Kenneth Spooner
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Cheryl Douglas (Rm. 1245)
Faith Schottenfeld
Anne Bohenek

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

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IN THE MATTER :
OF : ORDER
FELICITAS F. SANTIAGO, M.D. : BPMC 92-115

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Upon the application of FELICITAS F. SANTIAGO, M.D.,
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 or
seven days after mailing by certified mail.

SO ORDERED,

DATED: 11 December 1992

Charles J. Vacanti
CHARLES J. VACANTI, M.D.
Chairperson
State Board for Professional
Medical Conduct

I admit guilt to the specification in complete satisfaction of the statement of charges.

I hereby agree to the penalty that my license to practice as a physician in the State of New York be suspended for a period of one year, said suspension be entirely stayed; that I be placed on probation for a period of one year subject to the terms of probation set forth in Exhibit B, attached herein; and, I will be fined \$2,000.

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.

Felicitas Santiago

FELICITAS F. SANTIAGO, M.D.
RESPONDENT

Sworn to before me this
17th day of Nov. , 1992.

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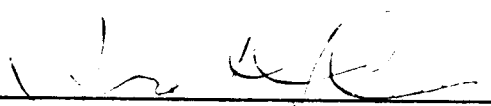
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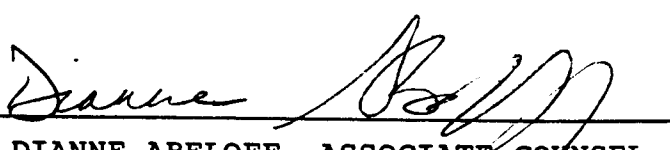
STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER : APPLICATION
OF : FOR
FELICITAS F. SANTIAGO, M.D. : CONSENT
: ORDER

The undersigned agree to the attached application of the Respondent and to the proposed penalty based on the terms and conditions thereof.

Date: Nov. 17, 1992 
FELICITAS F. SANTIAGO, M.D.
RESPONDENT

Date: 11/17/92 
IRA FRIEDMAN
ATTORNEY FOR RESPONDENT

Date: 11/19/92 
DIANNE ABELOFF, ASSOCIATE COUNSEL
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL
MEDICAL CONDUCT

Date: dec. 16, 1992

Kathleen M. Tanner

KATHLEEN M. TANNER
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL
MEDICAL CONDUCT

Date: 11 December 1992

Charles J. Vacanti

CHARLES J. VACANTI, M.D.
CHAIRPERSON, STATE BOARD FOR
PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

EXHIBIT. "A"

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

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IN THE MATTER : STATEMENT
OF : OF
FELICITAS F. SANTIAGO, M.D. : CHARGES
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FELICITAS F. SANTIAGO, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on October 8, 1976 by the issuance of license number 129007 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 ~~56 Parkview Loop, Staten Island, N.Y.~~ 79 SYLVAN AVENUE, MILLER PLACE, 10314. New York, 11764. *JH*

SPECIFICATION

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law sec. 6530 (9)(a)(ii) (McKinney Supp. 1992), in that Respondent was convicted of committing an act constituting a crime under federal law, specifically:

On or about January 8, 1990, in the United States District Court, Eastern District of New York, Respondent pleaded guilty to and

was convicted of violating 42 USC 1320
(a)-7(b)(1)(B), in that Respondent knowingly
and willfully solicited and received
remuneration (in the amount of \$1,200) from
the owners of Eastern Laboratories, Limited,
for referring her blood samples to that
laboratory; the laboratory in turn billed
the Medicaid system for Respondent's
submissions.

On or about April 2, 1990, in the United
States District Court, Eastern District of
New York, Respondent was sentenced to two
years probation and a \$2,000 fine.

DATED: New York, New York

Chris Stern Hyman
Counsel
Bureau of Professional
Medical
Conduct

EXHIBIT "B"

TERMS OF PROBATION

1. That Respondent, during the period of probation, shall conduct herself in all ways in a manner befitting her professional status, and shall conform fully to the moral and professional standards of conduct imposed by law and by her profession.
2. That Respondent shall submit written notification to the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), addressed to the Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct, New York State Health Department, Corning Tower Building, 4th Floor, Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12237 of any employment and practice, of Respondent's residence and telephone number, of any change in Respondent's employment, practice, residence, or telephone number within or without the State of New York;
3. Respondent shall submit written proof from the Division of Professional Licensing Services (DPLS), New York State Education Department (NYSED), that Respondent has paid all registration fees due and owing to the NYSED and Respondent shall cooperate with and submit whatever papers are requested by DPLS in regard to said registration fees, said proof from DPLS to be submitted by Respondent to the New York State Department of Health, addressed to the Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct, as aforesaid, no later than the first three months of the period of probation;
4. Respondent shall submit written proof to the NYSDOH, addressed to the Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct, as aforesaid, that 1) Respondent is currently registered with the NYSED, unless Respondent submits written proof that Respondent has advised DPLS, NYSED, that Respondent is not engaging in the practice of Respondent's profession in the State of New York and does not desire to register, and that 2) Respondent has paid any fines which may have previously been imposed upon Respondent by the Board or by the Board of Regents; said proof of the above to be submitted no later than the first two months of the period of probation;
5. Respondent shall comply with all terms, conditions, restrictions, and penalties to which he is subject pursuant to the order of the Board.

6. So long as there is full compliance with every term herein set forth, Respondent may continue to practice his or her aforementioned profession in accordance with the terms of probation; provided, however, that upon receipt of evidence of noncompliance 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 probation proceeding and/or such other proceeding against Respondent as may be authorized pursuant to the Public Health Law.