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C. Maynard Guest, M.D. Executive Secretary

July 27, 1994

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Benjamin Weinberg, M.D. 79 Country Club Place Southbridge, MA 01550

> RE: License No. 156335 Effective Date: 8/3/94

Dear Dr. Weinberg:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 94-125 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,

(Maynard Guest, M.D.

Executive Secretary

Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT	X	
IN THE MATTER	:	
OF	:	ORDER
BENJAMIN WEINBERG, M.D.	:	BPMC 94-125
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Upon the Application of Benjamin Weinberg, 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 Respondent shall not apply for the restoration of Respondent's license until at least one year has elapsed from the effective date of this order; 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 via certified mail, whichever is earliest.

SO ORDERED,

DATED: 22 July 1994

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

BENJAMIN WEINBERG, M.D.

LICENSE

STATE OF NEW YORK) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

BENJAMIN WEINBERG, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

On or about October 17, 1983, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 156335 by the New York State Education Department.

I am not currently registered with the New York State

Education Department to practice as a physician in the State of

New York. I was last registered with the New York State

Education Department to practice as a physician in the State of

New York for the period beginning on January 1, 1991, and

ending on December 31, 1992. My registration address is 161

West Main Street, Dudley, Massachusetts 01570, but my current

address is 79 Country Club Place, Southbridge, Massachusetts

01550.

I understand that I have been charged with three specifications 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 in the State of New York on the grounds that I agree not to contest the allegations set forth in the specifications of professional misconduct set forth in the Statement of Charges which is attached as Exhibit "A".

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.

BENJAMIN WEINBERG, M.D.

Respondent

Sworn to before me this

5 day of July , 1994

NOTARY PUBLIC

By commission expires:

STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT APPLICATION TO IN THE MATTER SURRENDER OF LICENSE BENJAMIN WEINBERG, M.D. The undersigned agree to the attached application of the Respondent to surrender his license. Date: July 5 , 1994 BENJAMIN WEINBERG, M.D. Respondent Date: July 5 , 1994 RICHARD J. REIBSTEIN, ESQ. Attorney for Respondent ANN HRONCICH, ESQ. Associate Counsel Bureau of Professional

Medical Conduct

BENJAMIN WEINBERG, M.D.

Date:

KATHLEEN M. TANNER

Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct

Date: 22

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

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IN THE MATTER : STATEMENT

OF : OF

BENJAMIN WEINBERG, M.D. : CHARGES

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BENJAMIN WEINBERG, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on October 17, 1983, by the issuance of license number 156335, by the New York State Education Department. The Respondent is not currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice medicine. Respondent was last registered for the period January 1, 1991 to December 31, 1992, at 161 West Main Street, Dudley, Massachusetts 01570.

FIRST SPECIFICATION

HAVING BEEN CONVICTED OF AN ACT CONSTITUTING A CRIME UNDER MASSACHUSETTS LAW

(1) Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law Sec. 6530(9)(a)(iii)
(McKinney Supp. 1994), in that he has been convicted of committing an act constituting a crime under the laws of another

jurisdiction, which act, if committed within this state, would have constituted a crime under New York state law, specifically:

On or about March 12, 1991, the Respondent was convicted, upon a guilty plea made by Respondent in the Massachusetts Superior Court Department of the Trial Court of the County of Suffolk for the transaction of Criminal Business, of one count of Medicaid fraud, in violation of G. L. c. 118E, sec. 21A, and one count of larceny over \$250.00, in violation of G. L. c. 266, sec. 30, based upon Medicaid billings for audiological test procedures between July 1988 and May 1990.

On or about March 12, 1991, the Respondent was placed on probation for three years, and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$30,000.00.

SECOND SPECIFICATION

HAVING BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

(2) Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law Sec. 6530(9)(b) (McKinney Supp. 1994), in that he was found guilty of professional misconduct by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state based upon conduct which would constitute misconduct as defined by N.Y. Educ. Law Sec. 6530(7) and (9)(a)(iii) (McKinney Supp. 1994), specifically:

On or about December 16, 1992, in a Final Decision and Order, the Commonwealth of

Massachusetts, Board of Registration in Medicine, ("Massachusetts Board"), revoked Respondent's license to practice medicine. revocation was based upon a finding that Respondent was guilty of having practiced medicine while his ability was impaired by drugs, and upon a finding that Respondent was guilty of having been convicted of committing a crime relating to the practice of medicine, in that Respondent abused (and was chemically dependent on) the drug Serax from shortly after he established his medical practice in approximately 1986 to approximately October 1990. Respondent had been convicted, on March 12, 1991, of one count of Medicaid Fraud, in violation of G. L. c. 118E, sec. 21A, and one count of Larceny over \$250.00, in violation of G. L. c. 266, sec. 30.

THIRD SPECIFICATION

HAVING HIS LICENSE

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE SUSPENDED

(3) Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law Sec. 6530(9)(d) (McKinney Supp. 1994), in that his license to practice medicine in another state was suspended based upon conduct which would constitute misconduct as defined by N.Y. Educ. Law Sec. 6530(7) and/or (9)(a)(iii) (McKinney Supp. 1994), specifically:

Following Respondent's conviction, upon a guilty plea, in the Suffolk County Superior Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to one count of larceny over \$250.00, and one count of filing false Medicaid claims, and following the revocation of Respondent's license to practice medicine in Massachusetts by the Massachusetts

Board, based on the aforesaid conviction and upon the Massachusetts Board's finding that Respondent practiced medicine while his ability to do so was impaired by drugs, on or about July 14, 1993, pursuant to a Consent Order, Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of New Jersey was suspended for one year, effective July 27, 1993.

DATED:

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

February 3, 1994

CHRIS STERN HYMAN

Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct