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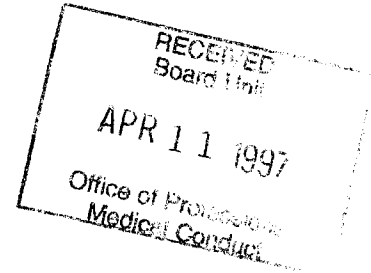
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Executive Secretary

April 11, 1997

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

William Wilkinson, M.D.
212 Front Street
Jamestown, New York 14701



RE: License No. 179807

Dear Dr. Wilkinson:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 97-95 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
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: Kevin P. Donovan, Esq.

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

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IN THE MATTER : SURRENDER
OF : ORDER
WILLIAM WILKINSON, M.D. : BMC # 97-95

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

WILLIAM WILKINSON, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

On or about September 7, 1989, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 179807 by the New York State Education Department.

I am currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice as a physician in the State of New York for the period March 1, 1996 through February 28, 1998.

I understand that I have been charged with twelve 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 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 first 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.

William H. Wilkinson
WILLIAM WILKINSON, M.D.
Respondent

Sworn to before me this
31ST day of MARCH, 1997

John R. Samuelson
NOTARY PUBLIC
JOHN R. SAMUELSON, #4611822
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Chautauque County
My Commission Expires May 31, 1997

AGREED TO:

Date: April 2, 1997

Kevin P. Donovan
KEVIN P. DONOVAN
Associate Counsel
Bureau of Professional
Medical Conduct

Date: April 7, 1997

Anne F. Saile
ANNE F. SAILE
Director, Office of
Professional Medical Conduct

ORDER

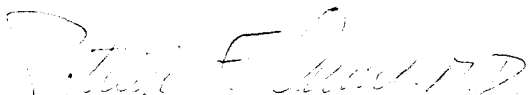
Upon the proposed agreement of WILLIAM WILKINSON, M.D., to Surrender his license as a physician in the State of New York, which proposed agreement is made a part hereof, it is AGREED TO and

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: April 8, 1997


PATRICK F. CARONE, M.D., M.P.H.
Chair
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
WILLIAM WILKINSON, M.D. : CHARGES

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WILLIAM WILKINSON, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on September 7, 1989, by the issuance of license number 179807 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. Respondent treated Patient A, a 79 year old female, during her admission beginning on or about November 23, 1995, to Women's Christian Association Hospital (WCA Hospital), Jamestown, New York. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient A did not meet acceptable standards of care, in that:

1. Respondent prescribed intravenous nitroprusside to Patient A without adequate medical indication.
2. Respondent inappropriately ordered Heparin for Patient A when she had presented to the emergency department with a markedly elevated blood pressure.
3. Respondent inappropriately ordered potassium supplements, an ACE inhibitor, and furosemide for Patient A.
4. Respondent diagnosed the patient as having endstage cardiomyopathy without adequate indication.
5. Respondent failed to seek a cardiac consult in a timely manner.

EXHIBIT A

B. Respondent treated Patient B, a 48 year old male, during August 1996 for a complaint of rib pain. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient B did not meet acceptable standards of care, in that:

1. In a telephone conversation on or about August 14, 1996, Respondent inappropriately told Patient B that the results of his chest X-ray were negative, that he might have muscle strain, and/or that he should take an over the counter pain medication.
2. On a date after 8/12/96, Respondent fraudulently altered the record entry dated 8/12/96 to add the words "(stat readings)" and/or "pt. to follow up within 2 weeks."
3. Respondent fraudulently stated to the Office of Professional Medical Conduct in a letter sent January 14, 1997, that he had ordered the chest x-ray of the patient as a wet reading when he had not done so.

C. Respondent treated Patient C, a 31 year old insulin dependent diabetic female, during a portion of her admission beginning June 1, 1995, to WCA Hospital. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient C did not meet acceptable standards of care, in that:

1. Respondent inappropriately ordered insulin for the patient at 55 minutes after midnight on June 3, 1995, when the patient's last blood sugar reading was 143.
2. Respondent failed to appropriately respond to blood sugar readings between 67 and 33 in the early morning hours of June 3, 1995.
3. Respondent inappropriately ordered 4 units of insulin for the patient at 7:20 a.m. on June 3, 1995 when the patient's blood glucose was 36 at 4:00 a.m., and was 48 at 6:03 a.m.

D. Respondent treated Patient D, a 53 year old male, at Respondent's office in Jamestown, New York. Respondent's care

and treatment of Patient D did not meet acceptable standards of care, in that:

1. Respondent failed to adequately assess Patient D who presented at his office with elevated glucose at his office between November 11 and November 18, 1996.
2. Respondent inappropriately prescribed an ACE inhibitor, potassium supplements, and Spironolactone to Patient D without adequate monitoring.

E. Respondent treated Patient E, a 25 year old male, during an admission beginning November 12, 1995, to WCA Hospital. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient E did not meet acceptable standards of care, in that:

1. Respondent inappropriately prescribed Flagyl to Patient E without adequate indication of an anaerobic infection.
2. Respondent inappropriately prescribed Diflucan to Patient E on a prophylactic basis.

F. Respondent treated Patient F, a 44 year old male, during an admission beginning November 5, 1995, to WCA Hospital. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient F did not meet acceptable standards of care in that:

1. Respondent inappropriately continued Patient F on Heparin after an ultrasound and venogram were reported as normal and he noted that the patient had "no DVT" [deep vein thrombosis].
2. Respondent inappropriately prescribed Coumadin to the patient both in the hospital and as a discharge medication, without adequate indication.
3. Respondent inappropriately prescribed Flagyl to Patient F without adequate indication of an anaerobic infection.

G. Respondent treated Patient G, a 19 year old male, during an admission beginning November 29, 1995, to WCA Hospital. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient G did not meet acceptable standards of care, in that:

1. Respondent failed to obtain and record an adequate history of the patient, who presented with new onset complaints of chest pain.
2. Respondent inappropriately ordered Heparin for Patient G without adequate indication.
3. Respondent inappropriately prescribed Imdur without adequate indication and after being advised to discontinue it by a cardiologist.

H. Respondent treated Patient H, a 79 year old female, during her admission beginning June 13, 1995, to WCA Hospital. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient H did not meet acceptable standards of care, in that:

1. Respondent inappropriately prescribed Norpace for Patient H, who had bifascicular heart block, without adequate indications and/or precautions.
2. Respondent inappropriately prescribed furosemide, supplemental potassium, and Vasotec to Patient H without arranging for adequate monitoring of the patient's electrolytes.

SPECIFICATIONS OF MISCONDUCT

FIRST SPECIFICATION

NEGLIGENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with practicing the profession with negligence on more than one occasion within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(3) (McKinney Supp. 1997) , in that Petitioner charges:

1. The facts of paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, A and A.4, A and A.5, B and B.1, C and C.1, C and

C.2, C and C.3, D and D.1, D and D.2, E and E.1, E and E.2, F and F.1, F and F.2, F and F.3, G and G.1, G and G.2, G and G.3, H and H.1, and/or H and H.2.

SECOND SPECIFICATION

INCOMPETENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with practicing the profession with incompetence on more than one occasion within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(5) (McKinney Supp. 1997) , in that Petitioner charges:

2. The facts of paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, A and A.4, A and A.5, B and B.1, C and C.1, C and C.2, C and C.3, D and D.1, D and D.2, E and E.1, E and E.2, F and F.1, F and F.2, F and F.3, G and G.1, G and G.2, G and G.3, H and H.1, and/or H and H.2.

THIRD THROUGH TENTH SPECIFICATIONS

GROSS NEGLIGENCE

Respondent is charged with practicing the profession with gross negligence within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(4) (McKinney Supp. 1997), in that Petitioner charges:

3. The facts of paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, A and A.4 and/or A and A.5.
4. The facts of paragraphs B and B.1.
5. The facts of paragraphs C and C.1, C and C.2, and/or C and C.3.
6. The facts of paragraphs D and D.1, and/or D and D.2.
7. The facts of paragraphs E and E.1, and/or E and E.2.
8. The facts of paragraphs F and F.1, F and F.2, and/or F and F.3.
9. The facts of paragraphs G and G.1, G and G.2, and/or G and G.3.
10. The facts of paragraphs H and H.1 and/or H and H.2.

ELEVENTH SPECIFICATION

GROSS INCOMPETENCE

Respondent is charged with practicing the profession with gross incompetence within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(6) (McKinney Supp. 1997), in that Petitioner charges:

11. The facts of paragraphs A and A.1, A and A.2, A and A.3, A and A.4, A and A.5, B and B.1, C and C.1, C and C.2, C and C.3, D and D.1, D and D.2, E and E.1, E and E.2, F and F.1, F and F.2, F and F.3, G and G.1, G and G.2, G and G.3, H and H.1, and/or H and H.2.


TWELFTH SPECIFICATION

FRAUD

Respondent is charged with practicing the profession fraudulently within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530(2) (McKinney Supp. 1997), in that Petitioner charges:

12. The facts of paragraphs B and B.2 and/or B and B.3.

DATED: *April 2, 1997*
Albany, New York


PETER D. VAN BUREN
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Bureau of Professional
Medical Conduct