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August 2, 2004

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Joseph Luis Traverso, M.D.
5 Old Salem Road
West Orange, NJ 07052

Re: License No. 153676

Dear Dr. Traverso:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 04-173 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect August 9, 2004.

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 to the 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: Michael A. Schoppman, Esq.
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Bridgewater, NJ 08807

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

IN THE MATTER

SURRENDER

OF

ORDER

JOSEPH LUIS TRAVERSO, M.D.
CO-03-04-1955-A

BPMC No. 04-173

JOSEPH LUIS TRAVERSO, M.D., says:

On or about March 25, 1983, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 153676 by the New York State Education Department. I currently reside at 5 Old Salem Road, West Orange, NJ 07052.

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 the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct has charged me with one (1) 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 one (1) specification set forth in the Statement of Charges (Exhibit A).

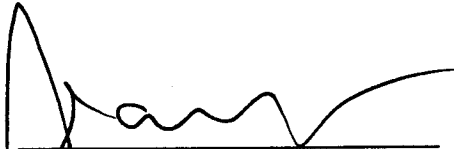
I understand that in the event that this proposed agreement is not granted by the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct, nothing contained herein shall be binding upon me or construed to be an admission of any act of misconduct alleged or charged against me, such proposed agreement shall not be 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 Board grants my Application, as set forth herein, an order of the Chairperson of the Board shall be issued in accordance with same upon issuance by the Board, which may be accomplished by mailing, by first class mail, a copy of the Order to me at the address set forth above or to my attorney or upon transmission via facsimile to me or my attorney, whichever is first.

I am making this agreement of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion or restraint of any kind of manner.


Date: 7-21-, 2004



JOSEPH LUIS TRAVERSO, M.D.
Respondent


AGREED TO:

Date: 7/20, 2004



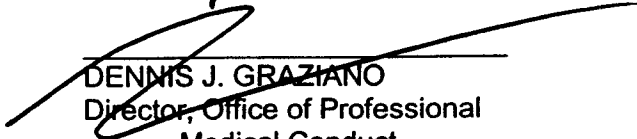
MICHAEL J. SCHOPPMAN
Attorney for Respondent

Date: 26 July, 2004



ROBERT BOGAN
Associate Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

Date: 28 July, 2004



DENNIS J. GRAZIANO
Director, Office of Professional
Medical Conduct

ORDER


Upon the proposed agreement of **JOSEPH LUIS TRAVERSO, 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 the Respondent be stricken from the roster of physicians in the State of New York; it is further

ORDERED, that this Order shall be effective upon issuance by the Board, which may be accomplished by mailing, by first class mail, a copy to Respondent at the addresses set forth in this agreement or to Respondent's attorney or upon transmission via facsimile to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, whichever is earliest.

DATED: 7/30, 2004


MICHAEL A. GONZALEZ, R.P.A.
Vice Chair
State Board for Professional
Medical Conduct

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

IN THE MATTER
OF
JOSEPH LUIS TRAVERSO, M.D.
CO-03-04-1955-A

STATEMENT
OF
CHARGES

JOSEPH LUIS TRAVERSO, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York state on March 25, 1983, by the issuance of license number 153676 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. On or about November 14, 2003, in the New Jersey Superior Court, Law Division – Criminal, Bergen County, New Jersey, Respondent was found guilty, based on a plea of guilty, of one (1) count of criminal sexual contact in the fourth degree, a felony, and one (1) count of false swearing in the fifth degree, and on or about January 16, 2004, was sentenced to four (4) years probation, two (2) days incarceration with credit for time served, and psychological counseling.

SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated New York Education Law §6530(9)(iii) by having been convicted of committing an act constituting a crime under the law of another jurisdiction and which, if committed within New York state, would have constituted a crime under New York state law, in that Petitioner charges:

1. The facts in Paragraph A.

DATED: *April 13*, 2004
Albany, New York


PETER D. VAN BUREN
Deputy Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct