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August 1, 2006

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ross B. Finesmith, M.D.

REDACTED

Re: License No. 193236

Dear Dr. Finesmith:

Enclosed is a copy of your order not to practice medicine effective August 8, 2006.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

Ansel R. Marks, M.D., J.D. Executive Secretary Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

cc:

Paul B. Brickfield, Esq. Brickfield & Donahue 70 Grand Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661 NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

OF
ROSS B. FINESMITH, M.D.,

ORDER FOR
NON PRACTICE OF
MEDICINE

Upon the proposed application and agreement of ROSS B. FINESMITH, M.D., (Respondent) for an Order by which Respondent agrees to cease the practice of medicine pending the final disposition of the present Department of Health, Office of Professional Medical Conduct investigation of certain aspects of the Respondent's medical practice, which application and agreement is made a part hereof, it is agreed to and

ORDERED, that the application and agreement and the provisions thereof are hereby adopted and so ORDERED, and 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 of the Order to Respondent's attorney or upon transmission via facsimile to Respondent's attorney, whichever is earliest.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: 7/28/06

REDACTED

KENDRICK A. SEARS, M.D. Chair State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

IN THE MATTER

OF

ROSS B. FINESMITH, M.D. CO-05-01-0568-A

APPLICATION FOR AND AGREEMENT TO NOT PRACTICE MEDICINE/ ORDER OF THE BOARD

ROSS B. FINESMITH, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That on or about August 11, 1993, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York, having been issued License No. 193236 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is REDACTED , and I will advise the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any change of my address within thirty (30) days thereof.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct is investigating certain aspects of my medical practice to determine if I may have engaged in professional misconduct.

I agree, hereby, to the following:

I will not engage in the practice of medicine in the State of New York, or in any other jurisdiction where that practice of medicine is predicated on my license to practice medicine in the State of New York pending the final disposition of the currently open Department of Health, Office of Professional Medical Conduct investigation. I agree, further, to abide by such final disposition, without waiving, hereby, any rights to appeal to which I might otherwise be entitled.

For the purpose of this agreement, "final disposition" shall mean the later of any disposition by administrative closure or determination of a Hearing Committee of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct or determination of the Administrative Review Board of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct.

I stipulate, hereby, that any failure by me to comply with the above condition imposed by this Order shall constitute misconduct as defined by New York State Education Law §6530(29).

Further, I acknowledge, hereby, that any activity by me that constitutes the practice of medicine at any time after the effective date of this order and during the pendency of the Order in the State of New York or in any other jurisdiction when that practice of medicine is predicated on my license to practice medicine in the State of New York, shall constitute the unauthorized practice of medicine within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law §6512, defining a Class E felony.

I presently m	aintain hos	pital pr	ivileges at	Not	Applicable	
My employment is						
I agree to neither exercise nor seek privileges or employment as a physician during the pendency of this agreement.						

I understand that unless and until I am allowed to resume the practice of medicine under the terms of this agreement, my licensure status is "inactive" and I am not authorized to practice medicine in the state of New York or any other jurisdiction where that practice of medicine is predicated on my license to practice medicine in the State of New York. I further understand that any practice of medicine while my license is "inactive" shall constitute a violation of New York Education Law Section 6530(12), regardless of the location of such practice.

Finally, I agree that this agreement may be made public in the same manner as a determination of a Hearing Committee that imposes discipline on a physician, including notice to the National Practitioners' Data Bank.

I understand that unless and until I am allowed to resume the practice of medicine under the terms of this agreement, I shall notify all persons who request my medical services that I have ceased the active practice of medicine.

I understand that the Department of Health, Office of Professional Medical Conduct shall notify each hospital or facility at which I presently hold privileges, or at which I obtain privileges during the pendency of this agreement, that I have ceased the active practice of medicine, and that my licensure status during the pendency of the agreement, is inactive.

I make, hereby, 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 any 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 agree that such Order shall be effective upon issuance by the Board, which may be accomplished by mailing, by first class mail, a copy of the Order to my attorney or upon transmission via facsimile to my attorney, whichever is earliest.

I am making this Application of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion or restraint of any kind or manner. In consideration of the value to me of the acceptance by the Board of this Application, I knowingly waive any right I may have to contest the Order for which I hereby apply, whether administratively or judicially, and ask that the Application be granted.

AFFIRMED:

DATED 7/19/06

REDACTED

ROSS B. FINESMITH, M.D. RESPONDENT

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

DATE: 1 25/06

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PAUL B. BRICKFIELD Attorney for Respondent

DATE: 26 July 2006

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ROBERT BOGAN Associate Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

DATE: ZU La Zoole

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DENNIS GRAZIANO

Director

Office of Professional Medical Conduct