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June 14, 2011

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Anibal Casado, M.D.
REDACTED

Re: License No. 102321

Dear Dr. Casado:

Enclosed is a copy of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (BPMC) Order No. 11-151. This order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect June 21, 2011.

If the penalty imposed by this Order is a surrender, revocation or suspension, you are required to deliver your license and registration within five (5) days of receipt of this Order to: Office of Professional Medical Conduct, c/o Physician Monitoring Unit, New York State Department of Health, 433 River Street, Suite 303, Troy, NY 12180-2299.

If the document(s) are lost, misplaced or destroyed, you are required to submit to this office an affidavit to that effect. Enclosed for your convenience is an affidavit. Please complete and sign the affidavit before a notary public and return it to the Office of Professional Medical Conduct.

Please direct any questions to: Board for Professional Medical Conduct, 433 River Street, Suite 303, Troy, NY 12180, telephone # (518)402-0863.

Sincerely,

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Katherine A. Hawkins, M.D., J.D.
Executive Secretary
Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

cc: Jennifer A. Kirschenbaum, Esq.
Kirschenbaum & Kirschenbaum, P.C.
200 Garden City Plaza
Garden City, NY 11530

IN THE MATTER
OF
ANIBAL CASADO, M.D.

SURRENDER
ORDER

BPMC No. 11-151

Upon the application of (Respondent) ANIBAL CASADO, M.D. to Surrender his license as a physician in the State of New York, which is made a part of this Surrender Order, it is

ORDERED, that the Surrender, and its terms, are adopted and it is further

ORDERED, that Respondent's name 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, either

- by mailing of a copy of this Surrender Order, either by first class mail to Respondent at the address in the attached Surrender Application or by certified mail to Respondent's attorney, OR
- upon facsimile transmission to Respondent or Respondent's attorney,

Whichever is first.

SO ORDERED.

DATE: 6/13/11

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

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

**IN THE MATTER
OF
ANIBAL CASADO, M.D.**

**SURRENDER
of
LICENSE**

ANIBAL CASADO, M.D., represents that all of the following statements are true:

That on or about September 10, 1968, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York and issued License No. 102321 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 address.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct has charged me with five specifications of professional misconduct.

A copy of the Statement of Charges, marked as Exhibit "A", is attached to and part of this Surrender of License.

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, in full satisfaction of the charges against me.

I ask the Board to accept my Surrender of License, and I agree to be bound by all of the terms set forth in attached Exhibit "B".

I understand that, if the Board does not accept my Surrender of License, none of its terms shall bind me or constitute an admission of any of the acts of misconduct alleged; this application shall not be used against me in any way and shall be kept in strict confidence; and the Board's denial shall be without prejudice to the pending disciplinary proceeding and the Board's final determination pursuant to the Public Health Law.

I agree that, if the Board accepts my Surrender of License, the Chair of the Board shall issue a Surrender Order in accordance with its terms. I agree that this Order shall take effect upon its issuance by the Board, either by mailing of a copy of the Surrender Order by first class mail to me at the address in this Surrender of License, or to my attorney by certified mail, or upon facsimile transmission to me or my attorney, whichever is first. The Surrender Order, this agreement, and all attached exhibits shall be public documents, with only patient identities, if any, redacted. As public documents, they may be posted on the Department's website(s).

I ask the Board to accept this Surrender of License, which I submit of my own free will and not under duress, compulsion or restraint. In consideration of the value to me of the Board's acceptance of this Surrender of License, allowing me to resolve this matter without the various risks and burdens of a hearing on the merits, I knowingly waive my right to contest the Surrender Order for which I apply, whether administratively or judicially, and I agree to be bound by the Surrender Order.

I understand and agree that the attorney for the Department, the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct and the Chair of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct each retain complete discretion either to enter into the proposed agreement and Order, based upon my application, or to decline to do so. I further understand and agree that no prior or separate written or oral communication can limit that discretion.

DATE 5/23/11

REDACTED

ANIBAL CASADO, M.D.
RESPONDENT

The undersigned agree to Respondent's attached Surrender of License and to its proposed penalty, terms and conditions.

DATE: 5/23/11

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~~JENNIFER KIRSCHENBAUM, ESQ.~~
Attorney for Respondent

DATE: 6/3/11

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~~JEAN BRESLER~~
Associate Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

DATE: June 13, 2011

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pr ~~KEITH W. SERVIS~~
Director
Office of Professional Medical Conduct

IN THE MATTER
OF
ANIBAL CASADO, M.D.

STATEMENT
OF
CHARGES

ANIBAL CASADO, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about September 10, 1968, by the issuance of license number 102321 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- A. Patient A, date of birth July, 8, 1929, was first treated by Respondent at his private office 59-07 94th Street, Rego Park, New York 11373, on or about April 25, 1986. Respondent was Patient A's primary care physician until her death on October 12, 2006 from hepatocellular carcinoma and liver cirrhosis. Patient A first tested positive for Hepatitis C antibodies on or about September 12, 1994. Respondent records reflect abnormal liver function tests on March, 30, 1992, September 12, 1994, July 16, 2001, October 19, 2002, August 9, 2005 and January 6, 2006. In addition to other medical conditions Respondent provided care to Patient A for diabetes, hypertension, depression, and hypercholesterolemia. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient A deviated from acceptable medical practice on multiple occasions throughout the treatment in that:
1. Respondent failed to appropriately diagnose, monitor and or treat Hepatitis C or refer Patient A to a physician who could do so.
 2. Respondent failed to inform Patient A that she suffered

Exhibit "A"

from Hepatitis C or record that he did so.

3. Respondent failed to appropriately follow up on abnormal liver function tests or record that he did so.
4. Respondent failed to order appropriate laboratory and other diagnostic tests
5. Respondent failed to obtain or record a complete medical history and/ or histories related to specific medical conditions, patient complaints and abnormal laboratory findings.
6. Respondent failed to perform or record adequate physical examinations including periodic general physical examinations and/ or focused examinations related to medical findings, patient complaints and abnormal laboratory results.
7. Respondent failed to appropriately diagnose monitor and/or treat diabetes, herpes, heart disease, cardiovascular disease, depression and or shingles, or record that he did so.
8. Respondent failed to properly diagnose and or note a diagnosis for patient A's conditions and /or rule out underlying disorders.
9. Respondent failed to determine or note treatment plans for Patient A.
10. Respondent failed to provide adequate primary preventive care including routine health screening to monitor Patient A's chronic conditions, update medication lists, medical history and preventative health screening for colon cancer, hypercholesterolemia, hypertension, and breast cancer or refer her to physicians who could provide such care.
11. Respondent failed to maintain a medical record for Patient A in accordance with accepted medical standards and in a manner

which reflects his care and treatment of Patient A.

SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

FIRST SPECIFICATION

NEGLIGENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(3) by practicing the profession of medicine with negligence on more than one occasion as alleged in the facts of two or more of the following:

1. The facts of paragraphs A, A.1-A.11

SECOND SPECIFICATION

INCOMPETENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(5) by practicing the profession of medicine with incompetence on more than one occasion as alleged in the facts of two or more of the following:

2. The facts of paragraphs A, A.1-A.11

THIRD SPECIFICATION

GROSS NEGLIGENCE

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530 (4) by practicing the profession of medicine with gross negligence on a particular occasion as alleged in the facts of the following:

3. The facts in paragraph A, A.1-A.11

FOURTH SPECIFICATION

GROSS INCOMPETENCE

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530 (6) by practicing the profession of medicine with gross incompetence as alleged in the facts of the following:

4. The facts in paragraph A, A.1-A.11

FIFTH SPECIFICATION

FAILURE TO MAINTAIN RECORDS

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530 (32) by failing to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the care and treatment of the patient as alleged in the facts of the following:

5. The facts in paragraph A, A.2, A3, A 5.-A.11

DATE: March 22, 2011
New York, New York

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Roy Nemerson
Deputy Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

EXHIBIT "B"

Requirements for Closing a Medical Practice Following a Revocation, Surrender, Limitation or Suspension of a Medical License

3. Licensee shall immediately cease and desist from engaging in the practice of medicine in New York State, or under Licensee's New York license, in accordance with the terms of the Order. In addition, Licensee shall refrain from providing an opinion as to professional practice or its application and from representing that Licensee is eligible to practice medicine.
4. Within 5 days of the Order's effective date, Licensee shall deliver Licensee's original license to practice medicine in New York State and current biennial registration to the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) at Hedley Park Place, 433 River Street 4th Floor, Troy, NY 12180-2299.
5. Within 15 days of the Order's effective date, Licensee shall notify all patients of the cessation or limitation of Licensee's medical practice, and shall refer all patients to another licensed practicing physician for continued care, as appropriate. Licensee shall notify, in writing, each health care plan with which the Licensee contracts or is employed, and each hospital where Licensee has privileges, that Licensee has ceased medical practice. Within 45 days of the Order's effective date, Licensee shall provide OPMC with written documentation that all patients and hospitals have been notified of the cessation of Licensee's medical practice.
6. Licensee shall make arrangements for the transfer and maintenance of all patient medical records. Within 30 days of the Order's effective date, Licensee shall notify OPMC of these arrangements, including the name, address, and telephone number of an appropriate and acceptable contact persons who shall have access to these records. Original records shall be retained for at least 6 years after the last date of service rendered to a patient or, in the case of a minor, for at least 6 years after the last date of service or 3 years after the patient reaches the age of majority, whichever time period is longer. Records shall be maintained in a safe and secure place that is reasonably accessible to former patients. The arrangements shall include provisions to ensure that the information in the record is kept confidential and is available only to authorized persons. When a patient or a patient's representative requests a copy of the patient's medical record, or requests that the original medical record be sent to another health care provider, a copy of the record shall be promptly provided or forwarded at a reasonable cost to the patient (not to exceed 75 cents per page.) Radiographic, sonographic and similar materials shall be provided at cost. A qualified person shall not be denied access to patient information solely because of an inability to pay.
7. If Licensee holds a Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) certificate, within 15 days of the Order's effective date, Licensee shall advise the DEA in writing of the licensure action and shall surrender to the DEA any DEA controlled substance privileges issued pursuant to Licensee's New York license. Licensee shall promptly surrender to the DEA any unused DEA #222 U.S. Official Order Forms Schedules 1 and 2.

8. Within 15 days of the Order's effective date, Licensee shall return any unused New York State official prescription forms to the Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement of the New York State Department of Health. Licensee shall destroy all prescription pads bearing Licensee's name. If no other licensee is providing services at Licensee's practice location, Licensee shall properly dispose of all medications.
9. Within 15 days of the Order's effective date, Licensee shall remove from the public domain any representation that Licensee is eligible to practice medicine, including all related signs, advertisements, professional listings (whether in telephone directories, internet or otherwise), professional stationery or billings. Licensee shall not share, occupy, or use office space in which another licensee provides health care services.
10. Licensee shall not charge, receive or share any fee or distribution of dividends for professional services rendered by Licensee or others while Licensee is barred from engaging in the practice of medicine. Licensee may be compensated for the reasonable value of services lawfully rendered, and disbursements incurred on a patient's behalf, prior to the Order's effective date.
11. If Licensee is a shareholder in any professional service corporation organized to engage in the practice of medicine, Licensee shall divest all financial interest in the professional services corporation, in accordance with New York Business Corporation Law. Such divestiture shall occur within 90 days. If Licensee is the sole shareholder in a professional services corporation, the corporation must be dissolved or sold within 90 days of the Order's effective date.
12. Failure to comply with the above directives may result in a civil penalty or criminal penalties as may be authorized by governing law. Under N.Y. Educ. Law § 6512, it is a Class E Felony, punishable by imprisonment of up to 4 years, to practice the profession of medicine when a professional license has been suspended, revoked or annulled. Such punishment is in addition to the penalties for professional misconduct set forth in N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230-a, which include fines of up to \$10,000 for each specification of charges of which the Licensee is found guilty, and may include revocation of a suspended license.