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IN THE MATTER OF:

LARRY MITCHELL ISAACS, M.D.

(Certificate No. 205162), Respondent No. 12-I-915

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT FOR VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF MEDICAL LICENSE

This *Stipulation and Agreement* is made by Larry Mitchell Isaacs, M.D. ("Dr. Isaacs"), a physician licensed as of the date hereof to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana, with and in favor of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board").

- 1. Acknowledgment and Stipulations. Dr. Isaacs hereby acknowledges, stipulates, and agrees that:
- (a) At all times material to the facts and matters alleged herein, Respondent practiced in the field of general surgery in and around Bastrop, Louisiana.
- (b) The Board, through its Investigating Officer, began an investigation into Dr. Isaacs' practice after Dr. Isaacs self-reported that the hospital where he practiced as a general surgeon had suspended his privileges after an independent peer review found that his medical records evidenced substandard care.
- (c) The Board obtained and reviewed medical records of certain of Dr. Issacs' patients, which revealed that, while he was performing a right hemicolectomy on a patient that had a villous adenoma of the right colon, Dr. Isaacs also removed the patient's right kidney, which was attached to the colon by fat. There was no evidence in the medical record that Dr. Isaacs recognized that he had removed a healthy kidney during the operative procedure or in the

immediate post-operative period. An outside consultant that reviewed Dr. Isaacs records opined that Dr. Isaacs' treatment of this surgical patient was substandard.

- (d) Based on upon its investigation, the Board concluded that just cause existed for recommending that a formal Administrative Complaint be filed charging Dr. Isaacs with a violation of the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, La. Rev. Stat. § §37:1285(A)(12) (Professional or medical incompetency).
- (e) Pursuant to the Louisiana Medical Practice Act and the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, Dr. Isaacs would be entitled, prior to final disciplinary action against his medical license, to have notice of the allegations and charges asserted against him, and to administrative adjudication of such charges, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §§ 49:955-958. At such hearing, Dr. Isaacs would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to have those charges proved against him by evidence, to appear and confront adverse witnesses, to call witnesses and present evidence on his own behalf in defense or in mitigation of the charges made, to a decision thereon by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §§ 49:955-965 and to have any further hearing, as well as his rights to appeal the action of the Board or any other right to which he may be afforded by the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. § 49:951, et seq., or otherwise.
- (f) Dr. Isaacs denies the allegations set forth herein, and defends his actions by stating that he improperly dictated the procedure and did not include in his record that the procedure was a *radical* hemicolectomy for a presumed cancerous obstructing lesion, thereby warranting removal of the kidney that was adherent to the specimen. Nevertheless, Dr. Isaacs has informed the Investigating Officer that he has moved to New York and has no intention to continue practicing medicine in the state of Louisiana. Therefore, he wishes to enter into this Agreement to avoid the time and expense of an administrative hearing.
- 2. Voluntary Surrender of License. Notwithstanding his right to notice of formal charges, administrative hearing and a decision thereon, as provided by La. Rev. Stat. § 49:955, in recognition of the stipulations set forth herein-above toward final disposition of the investigation now pending in this matter and in lieu of the institution and prosecution of formal administrative proceedings, Dr. Isaacs, nonetheless, hereby waives his right to notice of charges and formal

adjudication and voluntarily surrenders to the Board, for cancellation, his license to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. 205162. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Isaacs also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto to present this Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Medical License to the Board for its consideration and to fully disclose to and discuss with the Board the nature and results of the investigation, and he waives any objection to such disclosures, under La. Rev. Stat. § 49:960.

- 3. Effect of Voluntary Surrender of License. Dr. Isaacs acknowledges, stipulates, and agrees that the voluntary surrender of his medical license affected hereby in the presence of an administrative investigation shall have, and shall be deemed by the Board to have, the same effect as if the Board had entered an order of revocation upon the conclusion of formal administrative proceedings. Dr. Isaacs further acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that as a result of the voluntary surrender of his medical license effected hereby he shall not have any right or entitlement to reinstatement or renewal of his license to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana, nor shall he hereafter be entitled to apply for or otherwise attempt to obtain any original, reinstated or renewal license to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana.
- 4. *Termination of Proceedings*. By the voluntary surrender of his medical license, and the attendant dismissal of the investigation occasioned hereby, Dr. Isaacs, moreover, acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that he hereby waives any right to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act or to which otherwise may be afforded to him by law, to contest his agreement to, or the force and effect of, this document in any court relating to the matters referred to herein.
- 5. **Public Record.** Dr. Isaacs acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that this Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Medical License shall be, and shall be deemed, to be a **PUBLIC RECORD**.

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

STATE OF NEW YORK	
COUNTY OF ORANGE	·
I, LARRY M. ISAACS, M.D., hereby acknowledge.	owledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of
the above and foregoing Stipulation and Agree	ement, this S day of Sch 2013.
	LARRY M. ISAACS, M.D.
. WIT	NESSES:
Christel Borneso_ Signature	Barbara Natkeel
Signature	Signature
Antoine He Borruso Printed Name	Barbara Natkiel Printed Name
122 Paris 2110 Middledon	122 B. La SUE Middletown
Address Ny 10941	633 Route 211E, Middletown, Address NY 10941
Sworn to and subscribed before me at <u>MANC</u> , presence of the two stated witnesses.	Estimal New York, this day of 2013, in the
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Notary Public	NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF NEW YORK No. 01US6211855
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By:

MELVIN G. BOURGEOIS, M.D.

President