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No. 14-I-492

IN THE MATTER OF:

JONATHAN ALLEN SANDERS, M.D.
(Certificate No. 201513)
Respondent

**CONSENT ORDER
FOR REPRIMAND**

The above-entitled proceeding was docketed for investigation by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") following the receipt of information indicating that Jonathan Allen Sanders, M.D. ("Dr. Sanders"), who currently practices medicine in and around The Woodlands, Texas, was the subject of disciplinary action in the State of Texas.¹ Review of the Agreed Order in the State of Texas revealed that in connection with application for a license in Texas, Dr. Sanders failed to disclose that he had been placed on probation during his General Surgery residency training. He was issued an unrestricted license in the State of Texas, but was ordered to pay an administrative penalty, among other things. Subsequently, when Dr. Sanders renewed his license to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana in June 2014, he did not disclose that he had been subject to an investigation by the Texas Board.

In his own defense, Dr. Sanders admits that his failure to report was an oversight and was not intentional, but nonetheless, acknowledges that the reported information, if true, could establish grounds under the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§37:1261-1292 (the "Act") for such action against his license to practice medicine in this state as the Board may determine to be appropriate, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285A(4) and (29).² In consideration of the foregoing, and on the recommendation of the Investigating Officer respecting the pending investigation, the Board has concluded that its responsibility to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this state against the unprofessional, unqualified and unsafe practice of

¹ Agreed Order, *In the Matter of the Application for a Medical License by Jonathan Allen Sanders, M.D.* Before the Texas Medical Board (May 2, 2014).

² Pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285A (4), the Board may take action against the license of a physician as a result of '[p]roviding false testimony before the board or providing false sworn information to the board.' Additionally, La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285A (29) provides that the Board may take action against the license of a physician as a result of '...the revocation, suspension, or other restriction imposed on a license, permit, or certificate issued by such licensing authority which prevents or restricts practice in that state...'

medicine, La. Rev. Stat. §37:1261, will be effectively served by entry of the Order set forth hereinafter, by consent.

Recognizing his right to have notice and administrative adjudication of any charges that may be filed in this matter, at which time he would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses and to present evidence on his own behalf in defense or in mitigation of the charges made, and to a decision thereon by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951, *et seq.*, Dr. Sanders nonetheless, hereby waives his right to notice and formal adjudication and pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D), consents to entry of the Order set forth hereinafter. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Sanders also acknowledges that he waives any right to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951 *et seq.*, or 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 or other forum relating to the matters referred to herein. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Sanders also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto to present this Consent Order 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. Dr. Sanders expressly acknowledges that the disclosure of information to the Board by the Investigating Officer shall be without prejudice to the Investigating Officer's authority to pursue formal administrative charges against him or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such charges should the Board decline to approve this Consent Order.

Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285 and La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D);

IT IS ORDERED that the license of Jonathan A. Sanders, M.D., is hereby **OFFICIALLY REPRIMANDED**;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within six (6) months from the effective date of this Order that Dr. Sanders shall provide written confirmation to the Board that he has successfully completed a course of study in professionalism and medical ethics acceptable to and pre-approved in writing by the Board or its designee;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Dr. Sanders shall pay the Board a fine in the amount of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) within ninety (90) days of the acceptance of this Order by the Board.

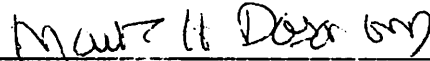
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation or failure of strict compliance with any of the terms or conditions set forth by this Order by Dr. Sanders shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for such action against Dr. Sanders' license to practice medicine in this state as the Board may deem appropriate, as if such violation were enumerated among the causes provided in La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Consent Order shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a public record.

Signed at New Orleans, Louisiana, and effective on this 15 day of September, 2014.

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

By:



MARK H. DAWSON, M.D.

President

Texas
STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF Montgomery

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT
AND CONSENT**

I, JONATHAN ALLEN SANDERS, M.D., hereby acknowledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Order, this 25 day of August, 2014.



JONATHAN ALLEN SANDERS, M.D.

WITNESSES:

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Signature

Mica L Parks
Typed Name

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Alissa Sanders
Signature

Alissa Sanders
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Sworn to and subscribed before me at Houston, Texas, this 25 day of Aug, 2014, in the presence of the two stated witnesses.

[Signature]
Notary Public (Signature/Seal)

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Notary Public (Printed Name)/Bar-Notary #