# LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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### BEFORE THE LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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IN THE MATTER OF:

GARRETT DEAN CHARLES NORVELL, M.D.

(Credential No. 329543), Respondent INTERIM CONSENT ORDER

No. 2022-I-258

This matter is before the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") in connection with an on-going investigation regarding Garrett Dean Charles Norvell, M.D. ("Dr. Norvell"), a physician who at all times pertinent has been licensed to practice medicine in this state pursuant to the Louisiana Medical Practice Act (the "Act"), La. R.S. 37:1261–92, as evidenced by Credential No. 329543. The investigation was initiated upon receipt of apparently reliable information that Dr. Norvell had voluntarily surrendered his license to practice medicine in the state of Ohio in lieu of formal disciplinary proceedings after being accused of violating "Ohio Revised Code: 2907.321(A)(1) and 2907.321(A)(5) Pandering obscenity involving a minor."

Investigation of the captioned matter was assigned to Lawrence H. Cresswell, III, D.O., J.D., Director of Investigations (the "Investigating Officer") for the Board. In the course of this pending investigation, Dr. Norvell confirmed that he had voluntarily surrendered his license to practice medicine in the state of Ohio on or around March 9, 2022. Dr. Norvell further stated his agreement to an interim suspension of his license until such time as any criminal investigations and/or potential criminal charges are resolved and he can demonstrate his competence in the performance of the practice of medicine.

As evidenced by his subscription hereto, Dr. Norvell acknowledges the substantial accuracy of the foregoing information and that proof of such information upon administrative evidentiary hearing would establish sufficient cause to take action with respect to his license to practice medicine in this state pursuant to La. R.S. 37:1285(A)(29).<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Permanent Surrender of Certificate to Practice Medicine and Surgery, In the Matter of Garrett Dean Charles Norvell, M.D., State Medical Board of Ohio (March 9, 2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Pursuant to La. R.S. 37:1285(A)(29), "[t]he Board may refuse to issue, or may suspend or revoke any license or permit, or impose probationary or other restrictions on any license or permit issued pursuant to this Part for the following causes:...(29) The refusal of a licensing authority of another state to issue or renew a license, permit, or certificate to practice medicine in that state or 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, or the surrender of a license, permit, or certificate issued by another state when criminal or administrative charges are pending or threatened against the holder of such license, permit, or certificate."

Recognizing his right to have notice and administrative adjudication of any charges that may be asserted against him in these proceedings, at which time Dr. Norvell 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. R.S. 49:955–65, Dr. Norvell, while maintaining such rights, nonetheless hereby consents to the indefinite suspension of his license to practice medicine in this state, with reinstatement thereof subject to the terms and conditions of this Order. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Norvell also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto to present this 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. R.S. 49:960. Dr. Norvell expressly acknowledges that the disclosure of such information to the Board by the Investigating Officer shall be without prejudice to the Investigating Officer's authority to proceed with the adjudication of an administrative complaint against him or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such complaint should the Board decline to approve this Order.

Based upon the information provided, and upon the recommendation of the Investigating Officer, the Board hereby concludes that, consistent with its mandate under La. R.S. 37:1261, the interests of public health, safety, and welfare will be effectively served by entry of the Order set forth hereinafter by consent. Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by La. R.S. 37:1285 and La. R.S. 49:955(D);

IT IS ORDERED that the license of Garrett Dean Charles Norvell, M.D., to engage in the practice of medicine in the State of Louisiana, as evidenced by Credential No. 329543, be and the same is hereby INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Garrett Dean Charles Norvell, M.D., shall not practice medicine in any form in the State of Louisiana until and unless the Board issues and serves a written decision reinstating his license to practice following: (1) a meeting at the Board office with the Director of Investigations or his designee; (2) receipt of a satisfactory report from a Board-approved evaluation or treatment facility documenting that Dr. Norvell has successfully completed all recommendations for evaluation and/or treatment and demonstrated his competence to return to the practice of medicine with skill and safety; and (3) the conclusion of the pending investigation by administrative hearing and final decision of the Board on any charges that may be filed in these proceedings including, but not limited to, those identified in this Order; or alternatively, by the Board's acceptance of a Consent Order or other disposition of the pending investigation. Any Consent Order reinstating Dr. Norvell's license shall include a probationary period and shall include, but not be limited to, any terms or restrictions recommended by his Board-approved evaluating or treating facility.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be effective as of the date it is approved and accepted by the Board as shown by the signature of the Board's representative below.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation of or failure of strict compliance with any of the terms set forth by this Order by Dr. Norvell shall be deemed adequate and sufficient

cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for such other action against Dr. Norvell's license to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana as the Board may deem appropriate as if such violations were enumerated among the causes provided in La. R.S. 37:1285.

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

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Acknowledgment and Consent on Following Page

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENT** AND CONSENT

STATE OF	
COUNTY OF <u>Santa Barbara</u>	
I, GARRETT DEAN CHARLES NORVELL, M.D., hereby acknowledge that I have to seek the advice and guidance of legal counsel with respect to this Interin that all of its terms and conditions have been fully explained to me and/or the them. I further acknowledge that I approve, accept, and consent to entraction of the contraction of the cont	at I fully understand y of the above and this 24 day of
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of, 2022, in the presence of the two stated witnesses.	
(see the attached California jurat)	
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Signer(s) Other Than Named Above:	Dean Norvell - witness

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