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In The Matter of : STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

On March 14, 1985, Richard Eustis Fulton, III, M.D., submitted an application to the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board"), seeking renewal of his license to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana.

In his March 14, 1985 application for renewal, Dr. Fulton signed and dated a certification that, within the year prior thereto, no professional license issued to him had been revoked, suspended, or placed on probation by any state. Dr. Fulton further certified that he had not been charged with any violation of any state or federal, civil or criminal law during the previous year.

In direct contravention to the representations made by Dr. Fulton in his March 14, 1985 application for renewal, the Board has learned that Dr. Fulton signed a "Stipulation and Order" on November 20, 1984, which was signed and adopted by the Colorado

State Board of Medical Examiners on December 7, 1984, the effect of which was to place Dr. Fulton's license to practice medicine in the State of Colorado on probation. Dr. Fulton's license was placed on probation by the Colorado Board because Dr. Fulton was on April 6, 1984, arrested and charged with the illegal possession of a controlled substance, cocaine; Dr. Fulton entered a plea of guilty to the charge on or about August 7, 1984.

On the basis of the events and conduct set forth and admitted above, Dr. Fulton admits, and the Board hereby finds, that if a hearing were held, a <u>prima facie</u> case could be presented by the Board of a violation of the Medical Practice Act of Louisiana, LSA-R.S. 37:1285(2) ("fraud, deceit, or perjury in obtaining any diploma, license or permit...."). It is further recognized and admitted that LSA-R.S. 37:1285 authorizes the Board to revoke the license of any physician found to be in violation of the provisions thereof, including R.S. 37:1285(2).

Recognizing his right to have the administrative charges adjudicated pursuant to LSA-R.S. 49:955-58 and to a final decision rendered upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, Dr. Fulton nonetheless hereby waives his right to an administrative adjudication and written findings of fact and conclusions of law and, pursuant to LSA-R.S. 49:955D, enters the following stipulation and agreement.

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Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant the authority vested in the Board by LSA-R.S. 37:1285 and LSA-R.S. 49:955D,

IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED that the license of RICHARD EUSTIS FULTON, III, M.D., to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate Number  $\underline{\phantom{0}011682}$  , be and the same is hereby voluntarily surrendered.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 16 day of October, 1986.

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By:

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED