

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS



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In the Matter Of	:	No. 89-A-002
LAWRENCE C. HILL, M.D.	:	
(CERTIFICATE NO. 013613),	:	CONSENT ORDER
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Respondent.	:	_____

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An investigation conducted by agents of the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) during 1987 and 1988 developed information indicating that Lawrence Charles Hill, M.D. (Dr. Hill), a physician licensed to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana, has written and issued prescriptions and/or dispensed or administered controlled substances to eleven (11) patient without legitimate medical justification and in other than a legal or legitimate manner. The aforereferenced information, including Dr. Hill's medical records with respect to the eleven (11) patients and a number of prescription records obtained from pharmacies were provided to the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) by the DEA.

Predicated on the information received from the DEA, the above-entitled and number proceeding was noticed and docketed for hearing before the Board upon Administrative Complaint, specifying alleged violations of the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, to-wit: "[p]rescribing, dispensing, or administering legally controlled substances or any dependency-inducing medication without legitimate medical justification therefor or in other than a legal or legitimate manner," LSA-R.S. 37:1285A(6); "[c]ontinuing or recurring medical practice which fails to satisfy the prevailing and usually accepted standards of medical practice in this state," LSA-R.S. 37:1285A(14); and "[p]rofessional or medical incompetency," LSA-R.S. 37:1285A(12).

As evidenced by his subscription hereto and without admitting the accuracy of the allegations and charges asserted in the Administrative Complaint described hereinabove, Dr. Hill acknowledges that the information set forth above, if accurate, may constitute probable cause for institution of administrative sanctions against his medical licensure pursuant to LSA-R.S. 37:1285.

Recognizing his right to have the allegations and charges asserted in the Administrative Complaint 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. Hill, nonetheless, hereby waives his right to formal adjudication and, pursuant to LSA-R.S. 49:955D, consents to entry of the order set forth hereinafter. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Hill 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.

Based upon the information provided, accordingly, and on the recommendation of the investigating officer, the Board has concluded that its responsibility to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of this state, pursuant to LSA-R.S. 37:1261, 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 LSA-R.S. 37:1285 and LSA-R.S. 49:955D;

**IT IS ORDERED** that the license of Lawrence C. Hill, M.D., to engage in the practice of medicine in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. 013613, be, and the same is hereby **SUSPENDED** for a period of one (1) year effective as of June 1, 1989.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the foregoing order of suspension will be suspended as of December 1, 1989, at which time Dr. Hill shall be placed on probation for a period of nine and one-half (9 1/2) years, or until June 1, 1999. However, the issuance of Dr. Hill's medical license and the resumption of his practice of medicine following the six (6) month active suspension referred to hereinabove, shall be expressly conditioned on Dr. Hill's strict compliance with and satisfaction of the following probationary terms, conditions, and restrictions:

- a) Dispensation of Controlled Substances: Dr. Hill may not, at any time following the date of the execution hereof, and for the duration of his medical career, prescribe, dispense or administer any scheduled controlled substance, without regard to the schedule in which such substance may be classified, as defined, enumerated, or included in 21 C.F.R. Section 1308 and/or LSA-R.S. 40:964, and any substance which may hereinafter be included in any such schedules by amendment or revision of the cited regulations or statutes. This prohibition shall not extend to medications ordered or prescriptions written by Dr. Hill for institutional or hospital in-patients, under the permit or license of said institution or hospital.
- b) Payment of Fine: Dr. Hill shall pay to the Board a fine in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$5,000.00) DOLLARS, to be paid in full on or before June 1, 1989.
- c) Continuing Medical Education: Dr. Hill shall obtain not less than fifty (50) credit hours per year for ten (10) years (June 1, 1989 - June 1, 1999) through attendance at and participation in Continuing Medical Education (CME) programs accredited by and qualifying for the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association. On or before June 1, 1990, June 1, 1991, June 1, 1992, June 1, 1993, June 1, 1994, June 1, 1995, June 1, 1996, June 1, 1997, June 1, 1998, and June 1, 1999, Dr. Hill shall cause to be submitted to the Board written certification of the CME programs and credits completed by him during the preceding twelve (12) months.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation of or failure of strict compliance with any of the terms, conditions or restrictions of this Consent Order by Dr. Hill shall, upon proof of such violation or failure, be deemed adequate and sufficient cause for the suspension and/or revocation of Dr. Hill's medical license or for such other disciplinary action as the Board deems appropriate, as if such violations were enumerated among the causes provided in LSA-R.S. 37:1285.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 2nd day of <sup>JUNE</sup> ~~May~~, 1989.

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BY: Ike Muslow  
IKE MUSLOW, M.D.  
PRESIDENT

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSENT

I, LAWRENCE C. HILL, M.D., hereby acknowledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Order, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1989.



LAWRENCE C. HILL, M.D.

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