

BEFORE THE  
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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In the Matter Of :  
Jeffrey M. Lousteau, M.D. :  
(CERTIFICATE NO. 011053) : No. 93-I-075  
Respondent. : CONSENT ORDER  
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Jeffrey M. Lousteau, M.D. ("Dr. Lousteau"), is, as of the date hereof, a physician licensed to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana and principally engaged in the practice of Anesthesiology in the Baton Rouge, Louisiana area, where he has continuously maintained a practice since the year 1987. Predicated upon apparently reliable information, the Board undertook an investigation of Dr. Lousteau's epidural anesthesia practices. The results of such investigation indicated that there were apparent quality problems in the use of epidural anesthesia as well as personality difficulties in the nature of disruptive behavior which had affected his work. The results of the evaluation of Dr. Lousteau indicate his prior behavior to be disruptive in the workplace and related to personality characteristics, best benefitted by a proctoring program.

As evidenced by his subscription hereto, Dr. Lousteau acknowledges that such information, if accurate, would provide the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect to this investigation with probable cause to initiate formal administrative proceedings against his license pursuant to the Louisiana Medical Malpractice Act, La. Rev. State. §§37:1261-92,<sup>1</sup> constituting cause for the revocation, suspension or imposition of such other terms and conditions upon Dr. Lousteau's license to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana as the Board may deem appropriate.

On the basis of the information provided to and received by the Board and with Dr. Lousteau's knowledge and consent, however, the Board is persuaded that he may maintain his license to practice

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<sup>1</sup>La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §37:1285(A)(12), (13) and (25).

medicine in the State of Louisiana, *provided, however,* that he strictly observes and complies with appropriate restrictions on and conditions to maintenance of such licensure. In consideration of this finding, accordingly, and on the recommendation of the Board's 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 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 of allegations and charges asserted against him to administrative adjudication of such charges, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §§49:955-958, and to a final decision rendered upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, Dr. Lousteau nonetheless hereby waives his right to notice of allegations and charges 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. Lousteau also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto, as well as his legal counsel assisting him in connection herewith, 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 waives any objection to such disclosures under La. Rev. Stat. §49:960. Dr. Lousteau expressly acknowledges that the disclosure of the information to the Board by the Investigating Officer or his counsel shall be without prejudice to the Investigating Officer's authority to file a formal Administrative Complaint against him, or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such Complaint, 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. §49:955(D);

**IT IS ORDERED** that the license of Jeffrey M. Lousteau, M.D., to engage in the practice of medicine in the State of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. 011053, be, and the same is hereby placed on *PROBATION* for a period of one (1) year from the effective date of the Board's approval hereof; and Dr. Lousteau's medical licensure and his continuing exercise of the rights and privileges thereunder shall be conditioned upon his acceptance of and strict compliance with the following terms, conditions and restrictions:

(a) *Anesthesia Practice.* Dr. Lousteau shall participate in a proctoring program in the administration and technique of epidural anesthesia for one (1) year, simultaneously with the probationary period of this Order, under the proctorship of Richard Saloom, M.D., a Board Eligible Anesthesiologist. Dr. Saloom shall report Dr. Lousteau's progress to the Board four (4) times, every third month from the date of signing of this

Order, and at the end of the one (1) year probationary period a final report shall be made by Dr. Saloom to the

Board evaluating Dr. Lousteau's administration and technique of epidural anesthesia and outcome, including a recommendation for further training. Should Dr. Saloom's final report be satisfactory, indicating that no further training is necessary, this probationary period shall end at the one (1) year term. Should Dr. Saloom's report not be satisfactory, the said probationary period shall continue until further orders from the Board.

(b) *Continuing Medical Education.* Dr. Lousteau shall obtain not less than fifty (50) credit hours per year for one (1) year, on or before October 1st of this year of his probationary period as set forth hereinabove, of continuing education credits ("CME") through attendance at and participation in CME programs accredited by and qualifying for the Physicians Recognition Award of the American Medical Association, and he shall obtain such award within one (1) year from the effective date hereof. On or before October 1, 1996 during the term of probation ordered hereby. Dr. Lousteau 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.

(c) *Cooperation with Board's Probation and Compliance Officer.* Dr. Lousteau shall immediately notify the Board's Probation and Compliance Officer of any change in his current home and professional addresses and telephone numbers, and he shall direct all matters required pursuant to this Consent Order, including evidence of the CME credits described hereinabove, to the attention of the Probation and Compliance Officer, with whom he shall cooperate on all matters and inquiries pertaining to his compliance with the terms, conditions and restrictions of this Consent Order.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any violation or failure of strict compliance with any of the terms, conditions and restrictions of this Order as set forth hereinabove, shall be deemed adequate and/or sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for the suspension and/or revocation of the medical licensure of Jeffrey M. Lousteau, M.D., or for such other disciplinary action as the Board deems appropriate, as if such violations 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 in New Orleans, Louisiana, and effective on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1975.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD  
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

BY: F. P. BordeLon Jr  
F. P. BORDELON, JR., M.D.  
President

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT  
AND CONSENT**

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I, Jeffrey M. Lousteau, M.D., HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE, APPROVE,  
ACCEPT AND CONSENT to entry of the above and foregoing Order, this  
1 day of September, 1995.

Jeffrey M. Lousteau  
JEFFREY M. LOUSTEAU, M.D.

Paula L. Chambers  
WITNESS

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