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In The Matter Of
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ALAN J. BOWERS, M.D.
(Certificate No. 021576)
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No. 05-I-515
CONSENT ORDER
FOR REPRIMAND

Predicated upon apparently reliable information, an investigation was conducted by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board"), through its Investigative Officer, of the prescription and record keeping practices of Alan J. Bowers, M.D. ("Dr. Bowers"), a physician at all pertinent times licensed and engaged in the practice of medicine in and around Marrero, Louisiana. The results of the investigation indicate to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer that Dr. Bowers issued anabolic steroids to at least one patient without proper documentation of medical justification for such therapy, providing probable cause to initiate formal administrative proceedings against Dr. Bowers' license pursuant to the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§37:1261-92).¹

Without admitting to any transgression of the Practice Act, by his subscription hereto Dr. Bowers nevertheless acknowledges the substantial accuracy of the foregoing information and that proof of such information upon an administrative evidentiary hearing could establish grounds under the Act for the imposition of such terms, conditions or restrictions on his license to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana as the Board may deem appropriate.

Dr. Bowers recognizes his right to have notice of allegations and charges asserted against him, to administrative adjudication of such charges, 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. Bowers, nonetheless, hereby waives his right to notice of charges and formal adjudication and pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D) consents to entry of the Order set forth hereinafter. Furthermore, Dr. Bowers acknowledges that he

¹ La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285A(6) and (14).

waives any right to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act 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 relating to the matters referred to herein. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Bowers 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. Bowers 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 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.

Based upon the information provided, accordingly, and upon the recommendation of the Investigating Officer assigned to this matter, the Board has concluded that its responsibility to insure the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this state, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §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 La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285 and La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D);

IT IS ORDERED that Alan J. Bowers, M.D. is OFFICALLY REPRIMANDED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within one year of the effective date of this Order Dr. Bowers shall, upon penalty of the immediate suspension of his license, attend and successfully complete a course approved in advance by the Board on proper prescribing practices and record keeping.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Dr. Bowers shall, within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Order, pay to the Board a fine in the amount of Three Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$3,000.00).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation or failure of strict compliance with this Order by Dr. Bowers shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for such further action as the Board may deem 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 this 18th day of JUNE, 2007.

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF
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BY: K. J. Amusa, MD
KWELI J. AMUSA, M.D.
President

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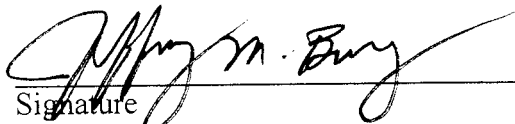
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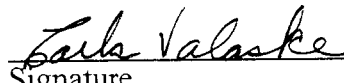
**ACKNOWLEDGMENT
AND CONSENT**

I, ALAN J. BOWERS, M.D., hereby acknowledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Order, this 6 day of June, 2007.

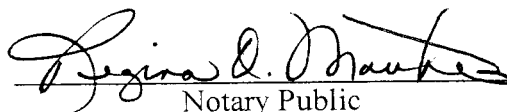

ALAN J. BOWERS, M.D.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me at New Orleans, Louisiana this 6th day of June, 2007, in the presence of the two stated witnesses.


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