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In the Matter of:

No. 17-I-493

THOMAS JOSEPH SEGLIO, D.O.

(Certificate No. DO.000280)

CONSENT ORDER

FOR REPRIMAND

The above-entitled proceeding was docketed for investigation by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") following receipt of information concerning Thomas Joseph Seglio, D.O., ("Dr. Seglio"), a physician who at all times material to the facts and matters alleged herein was engaged in the practice of medicine in Mississippi, but who is also licensed by the Board to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. DO.000280.

In connection with this matter, Dr. Seglio provided the Board a copy of the Consent Order¹ he entered into with the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (the "Mississippi Board") in 2017, following an investigation which resulted in the discovery of evidence which could substantiate that Dr. Seglio violated provisions of the Mississippi Board's Administrative Code by permitting a physician's assistant to practice outside of the Mississippi Board's approved protocol. In addition, the Mississippi Board has evidence which could substantiate Dr. Seglio's use of medications that do not have Food and Drug Administration approval for use in the treatment of weight loss; and further that Dr. Seglio operated an unregistered weight loss clinic. The Consent Order signed by Dr. Seglio restricts his practice in Mississippi for a period of three (3) years.²

¹ *Consent Order*, In the Matter of the Physician License of Thomas Joseph Seglio, D.O., License No. 16356, Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (May 18, 2017).

² Dr. Seglio's practice is restricted in Mississippi for a three-year period subject to the following terms and conditions:

- (1) Licensee is prohibited from serving as a collaborating, consulting, or supervising physician with all mid-level providers, including but not limited to physician assistants and advanced practice nurses, and/or students for a period of three (3) years. Licensee may however work with, direct, and instruct such mid-level providers in the normal course of his practice of medicine.
- (2) Licensee agrees that he will be responsible for the level of care rendered by any physician or mid-level provider in his employment. Any adverse outcomes related to care rendered in clinics owned by licensee will result in an appearance before the board which could result in disciplinary action.
- (3) Licensee is prohibited from practicing bariatric medicine, to include ambulatory weight loss, for a period of three (3) years.

Investigation of the captioned matter was assigned to the Investigating Officer for the Board, whose review and analysis of the matter indicates that just cause exists for recommending that an Administrative Complaint be filed against the physician, charging him with violation of the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, La. Rev. Stat. §37:1261-1291 (the "Act").³

Without admitting to a violation of the Act, nevertheless, Dr. Seglio acknowledges that if findings were established before a hearing panel of the Board and the reported information is determined to be true, then the Board may take such against his license to practice medicine in this state that it deems appropriate, pursuant to La. R.S. §§37:1285A(29). In consideration of the foregoing, and on the recommendation of the 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 and administrative adjudication of any charges that may be filed in this matter, 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. Seglio nonetheless, hereby waives his right to notice 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. Seglio also acknowledges that he waives any right to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951 *et seq.*, 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 or other forum relating to the matters referred to herein. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Seglio 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. Seglio 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

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- (4) Licensee shall obey all federal, state and local laws, and all rules and regulations governing the practice of medicine.
 - (5) If Licensee violates any of the terms of the Consent Order, the board has the right pursuant to a full evidentiary hearing to take disciplinary action against his license.
 - (6) Licensee shall reimburse the board for all costs incurred in relation to the pending matter.

³ Pursuant to La. R.S. §37:1285A, the Board may suspend, revoke, or impose probation or other restrictions on the license of an individual licensed to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana as a result of: (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.

pursue formal administrative charges against him or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such charges 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. §37:1285 and La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D);

IT IS ORDERED that the license of Thomas Joseph Seglio, D.O., is hereby *Officially Reprimanded*;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the license of Dr. Seglio, to engage in the practice of medicine in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. DO.000280 be and the same is hereby, as of the effective date of this Order, conditioned upon his acceptance of and strict compliance with the following terms:

- (1) **Compliance with the Mississippi Consent Order:** Dr. Seglio shall fully comply with the Consent Order entered with the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure dated May 18, 2017 which is incorporated herein by reference.
- (2) **Notice of Relocation to Louisiana:** In the event that Dr. Seglio should decide to relocate to or engage in the practice of medicine in the state of Louisiana at any time following the effective date of this Order, he shall contact and arrange an appearance before the Board at its next regularly schedule meeting. At such meeting Dr. Seglio shall demonstrate his compliance with the terms of the Mississippi Consent Order and this Order and discuss his intended plans for practice in this state.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation or failure of strict compliance with this Order by Dr. Seglio shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for such action against Dr. Seglio's license to practice medicine in this state as the Board may deem appropriate, as if such violation 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 at New Orleans, Louisiana, and effective on this 22nd day of January, 2018.

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

By:



Christy L. Valentine, M.D.

President

STATE OF Mississippi

PARISH/COUNTY OF Forrest

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT
AND CONSENT**

I, THOMAS JOSEPH SEGLIO, D.O., hereby acknowledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Order, this 16th day of January, 2017.

Thomas J. Seglio, D.O.
THOMAS JOSEPH SEGLIO, D.O.

WITNESSES:

Kristie Rushing
Signature

Deborah D. Basham
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Sworn to and subscribed before me at _____, this 16th day of January, 2017, in the presence of the two stated witnesses.

DeAnna J. Ellzey
Notary Public (Signature/Seal)



DeAnna J. Ellzey
Notary Public (Printed Name)/Bar-Notary #