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BEFORE THE
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

(504) _____

No. 2021-I-486

IN THE MATTER OF:

LAURENCE J. CIBLEY M.D.
(Certificate No. MD.12674R)
Respondent

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT FOR
VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF MEDICAL
LICENSE

This *Stipulation and Agreement* is made by Dr. Laurence J. Cibley, M.D. ("Dr. Cibley"), a retired physician formerly practicing in Obstetrics-Gynecology, licensed to practice medicine in Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. MD.12674R, with the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board").

1. *Acknowledgment and Stipulations.* Dr. Cibley hereby acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that:

- (a) Dr. Cibley also holds licenses to practice medicine in Alabama, Florida, and Texas.¹
- (b) Dr. Cibley formerly practiced in the Veterans Affairs Healthcare System ("VA") in Biloxi, Mississippi at all times material to the facts and matters alleged herein.
- (c) The Board initiated a preliminary review upon the receipt of correspondence from the VA indicating that Dr. Cibley's "clinical practice, conduct and/or behavior did not meet acceptable standards as to (four) female Veterans he provided care to while employed at this health care system."
- (d) Investigation of the captioned matter was assigned to Lawrence H. Cresswell, III, D.O., J.D., Director of Investigations for the Board. The investigation revealed that complaints were made against Dr. Cibley by four female patients he treated while employed with the VA. The four patients took issue with certain comments made during their respective examinations that they allegedly found rude or offensive. The examinations at issue took place between January 29, 2018 and October 8, 2019. These complaints apparently were not disclosed to Dr. Cibley until one year after his retirement from the VA.

¹ The Alabama license expired on December 31, 2021 and was not renewed. The Florida license expires on January 31, 2022, and Dr. Cibley does not intend to renew the Florida license.

- (e) Dr. Cibley has fully cooperated with the Board's investigation of this matter, including by providing a written explanation of the allegations and meeting with the Investigating Officer. Dr. Cibley further provided medical justification for comments referenced in the complaints.
- (f) Prior to these allegations being brought to the Board's attention, Dr. Cibley had retired from the practice of medicine. Dr. Cibley hereby confirms that he no longer wishes to retain a Louisiana medical license or otherwise practice medicine in Louisiana. Accordingly, without admitting to the allegations raised in the preliminary review, he would prefer to resolve these proceedings through a stipulation for voluntary surrender of his Louisiana medical license rather than undertaking an administrative hearing.
- (g) While the Investigating Officer's review did confirm that just cause would exist for recommending that an Administrative Complaint be filed based on violations of the Louisiana Medical Practice Act (the "Act"), pursuant to La. R.S. 37:1285(A)(13),² in recognition of Dr. Cibley's cooperativeness throughout these administrative proceedings, the Investigating Officer concurs that Dr. Cibley should be permitted to voluntarily surrender his Louisiana license.
- (h) Pursuant to the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, La. R.S. 37:1261 *et. seq.*, and the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. R.S. 49:951 *et. seq.*, Dr. Cibley would be entitled, prior to final disciplinary action against his medical license, to an administrative adjudication of such charges, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:955–958. At such hearing, Dr. Cibley would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to have those charges proved against him by evidence, to appear and confront adverse witnesses, to call witnesses and present evidence on his own behalf in defense or in mitigation of the charges made, to a decision thereon by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to La. R.S. 49:958, and to any other right to which he may be afforded by the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. R.S. 49:951 *et seq.* or otherwise.

2. ***Voluntary Surrender of License.*** Notwithstanding his right to an administrative hearing and a decision thereon, as provided by La. R.S. 49:951 *et. seq.*, in recognition of the stipulations set forth hereinabove toward final disposition of the pending preliminary review, Dr. Cibley, while contesting the validity of the allegations and information received by the Board as listed in No. 1 (c) above, nonetheless, acknowledges the substantial accuracy of the foregoing information and hereby waives his right to formal adjudication and voluntarily surrenders to the Board for cancellation his license to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. MD.12674R. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Cibley also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto to present this Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Medical License to the Board for its consideration and to fully disclose to

² Under La. R.S. 37:1285A(13), the Board may take action against the license of a physician based on "[u]nprofessional conduct, . . .".

and discuss with the Board the nature and results of the investigation, and he waives any objection to such disclosures under La. R.S. 49:960.

3. ***Effect of Voluntary Surrender of License.*** Dr. Cibley acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that the voluntary surrender of his medical license affected hereby in the presence of an administrative investigation shall have, and shall be deemed by the Board to have, the same effect as if the Board had entered an order of revocation upon the conclusion of formal administrative proceedings. Further, Dr. Cibley acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that reinstatement of such license shall be at the sole discretion of the Board and upon whatever probationary terms, conditions and restrictions that it may then determine to be appropriate. In addition, Dr. Cibley acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that no request for reinstatement shall be considered by the Board until and unless he has: (i) attended a meeting with the Director of Investigations; (ii) successfully completed all recommendations by the Director of Investigations to demonstrate to the Board that he is competent to return to the practice of medicine with reasonable skill and safety; and (iii) otherwise complied with all applicable statutory and regulatory requirements for the reinstatement of an expired license. *See, e.g.*, La. R.S. 37:1280; 37:1281(A)(3)(c); La. Admin. Code tit. 46, Pt. XLV, § 419.

4. ***Termination of Proceedings.*** By the voluntary surrender of his medical license, and the attendant dismissal of the proceedings occasioned hereby Dr. Cibley, moreover, acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that he hereby waives any right to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. R.S. 49:951 *et. seq.* or which otherwise may be afforded to him by any law, to contest his agreement to or the force and effect of this document in any court or other forum relating to the stipulations, agreements, acknowledgments and other matters referred to herein.

5. ***Advice of Counsel.*** Dr. Cibley acknowledges that he has had the opportunity to seek the advice and guidance of legal counsel with respect to this Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Medical License and that all of the terms, conditions, restrictions and limitations contained herein have been explained to him and/or that he fully understands them.

6. ***Public Record.*** Dr. Cibley acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that this Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Medical License shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a **PUBLIC RECORD**.

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**STIPULATION
AND AGREEMENT**

STATE OF Texas

PARISH/COUNTY OF Dallas

I, LAURENCE J. CIBLEY, M.D., hereby acknowledge that I have had the opportunity to seek the advice and guidance of legal counsel with respect to this Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Medical License and that all of its terms and conditions have been fully explained to me and/or that I fully understand them. I further acknowledge that I approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Stipulation and Agreement without duress and of my own free will and accord, this 25 day of January, 2022.

Laurence J. Cibley
LAURENCE J. CIBLEY, M.D.

WITNESSES:

Carla J. Akw
Signature

Carla J AKW
Typed Name

5824 Grindstone Drive
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Loretta Forbey
Signature

Loretta Forbey
Typed Name

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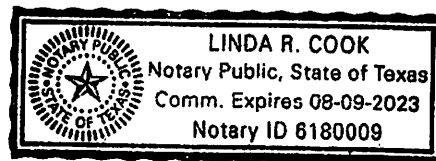
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 day of January, 2022, in the presence of the two stated witnesses.

Linda R. Cook
Notary Public (Signature)

Name: Linda R Cook

Notary/Bar No.: 6180009

Commission expires: 08-09-2023



ACCEPTANCE

CONSIDERING THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING, the Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Medical License is hereby **APPROVED AND ACCEPTED** by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, at New Orleans, Louisiana, on this 21 day of Feb, 2022.

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

BY: _____


LESTER W. JOHNSON, M.D.
President