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BEFORE THE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of)
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PATRICK JOHN BERGIN, MD) STIPULATED ORDER
LICENSE NO. MD 15838)
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1.

The Board of Medical Examiners (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining certain health care providers, including physicians, in the state of Oregon. Patrick John Bergin, MD (Licensee) holds a license to practice medicine in the state of Oregon.

2.

On October 20, 2002, Licensee was arrested by police in Eugene, Oregon, on suspicion of Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants. Licensee underwent a comprehensive, psychiatric fitness-for-duty evaluation by a California psychiatrist, who reviewed legal records, conducted interviews of health professionals, and interviewed Licensee in-person twice in November 2002. This psychiatrist recommended that Licensee enter a residential treatment program and desist from the practice of medicine pending completion of such a program. On January 17, 2003, Licensee agreed to voluntarily withdraw from practice pending the conclusion of the Board's investigation. In mid-January of 2003, Licensee entered and completed a month-long assessment at the Sierra Tucson Treatment Center in Arizona. Evaluators at the treatment program deemed that Licensee was fit to practice. Licensee then enrolled in the Oregon Health Professionals Program in February of 2003.

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3.

Licensee and the Board agree to the entry of this Stipulated Order and that the above conduct violated ORS 677.190(7), habitual or excessive use of intoxicants, drugs, or controlled substances. The Board hereby terminates the January 17, 2003 Interim Stipulated Order and returns Licensee to practice under the following terms of probation:

3.1 Licensee will affiliate with, participate in, and maintain compliance with the recommendations of a recovery program under the auspices of the Oregon Health Professionals Program established pursuant to ORS 677.615. Licensee shall sign and maintain in full force and effect the program's terms of participation and consent to full disclosure of alcohol and drug treatment records and mental health records between the Board and the Health Professionals Program for the duration of this order.

3.2 Licensee shall not possess and shall completely abstain from using ethanol and any mood altering or potentially addictive substances, including controlled substances. In the event a physician prescribes or administers medications containing controlled substances to Licensee, he shall notify the Board's Compliance Officer within 48 hours.

3.3 Licensee shall affiliate with a mental health provider and a primary care provider. Both providers shall be pre-approved by the Board's Medical Director. The mental health provider shall submit a copy of his full report of his initial evaluation and quarterly reports to the Board detailing Licensee's mental status and his ability to safely practice medicine.

3.4 Licensee shall not self-prescribe medications.

3.5 Licensee shall complete courses in patient communication and boundaries which must be pre-approved by the Board's Medical Director. These courses must be successfully completed within one year from the date that this Order is signed by the Board Chair.

3.6 Licensee shall report in person to the Board at each of its quarterly meetings at the scheduled times for a probationer interview, unless otherwise directed by the Board.

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BEFORE THE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of)
PATRICK JOHN BERGIN, MD)
LICENSE NO. MD 15838) RESCIND INTERIM
STIPULATED ORDER)

1.

The Board of Medical Examiners (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining certain health care providers, including physicians, in the state of Oregon. Patrick John Bergin, MD (Licensee) is a licensed physician in the state of Oregon.

2.

The Board hereby withdraws its Interim Stipulated Order, dated January 17, 2003, thereby allowing Licensee to return to the unlimited practice of medicine.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 6th day of March, 2003.

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
State of Oregon



JUDITH L. RICE
BOARD CHAIR