

**State Medical Board of Ohio
Formal Action Report – July 2014**

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Please find below a summary of actions taken or initiated by the State Medical Board of Ohio in July 2014 and an update of Board matters pending or decided in courts as of July 9, 2014.

PRE-HEARING SUSPENSIONS

DAHLSTEN, John Andrew, M.D. (#35-078014) – Cincinnati, Ohio

Pursuant to Sections 2929.42 and/or 3719.121(C), Ohio Revised Code, medical license immediately suspended based on doctor having been found guilty in the United States District Court, of one felony count of Conspiracy to Acquire or Possess Controlled Substances by Misrepresentation, Fraud, Forgery, Deception or Subterfuge. Order effective 7/9/14. (*See also: Citations/Proposed Denials below.*)

WOROBIEC, Michael W., M.D. (#35-072276) – Dublin, Ohio

Pursuant to determination by Union County Child Support Enforcement Agency that doctor is in default under a child support order, medical license immediately suspended until such time as Board receives notice from Union County Child Support Enforcement Agency that doctor is no longer determined to be in default. Notice mailed 7/1/14; suspension effective 7/1/14.

CITATIONS/PROPOSED DENIALS

BALTER, Kevin Scott, M.D. (#35-120887) – Omaha, Nebraska

Based on allegations that, without continued psychiatric care and individual psychotherapy, the doctor is impaired in his ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care by reason of mental illness or physical illness. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 7/10/14.

DAHLSTEN, John Andrew, M.D. (#35-078014) – Cincinnati, Ohio

Based on the doctor's conviction in the United States District Court on one felony count of Conspiracy to Acquire or Possess Controlled Substances by Misrepresentation, Fraud, Forgery, Deception or Subterfuge and on the doctor's execution of a Voluntary Surrender of Controlled Substances Privileges to the U.S. Department of Justice – Drug Enforcement Agency, the underlying basis being doctor's alleged failure to comply with federal requirements pertaining to controlled substances. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 7/10/14.

JACKSON, Paul Edward, M.D. (#35-086453) – Wilton Manors, Florida

Based on prior action against the doctor's license by the West Virginia Board of Medicine, which revoked the doctor's license to practice medicine and surgery in the state of West Virginia. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 7/10/14.

JORGENSEN, Deborah A., P.A. (#50-001180) – North Ridgeville, Ohio

Based on the physician assistant's alleged violation of the limitations placed on her license pursuant to 8/8/12 Board order due to her failure to timely call in to a Board-approved drug testing facility, failure to submit urine screens on multiple dates, failure to submit quarterly declarations, failure to appear for a required quarterly appearance, and failure to attend required drug and alcohol rehabilitation meetings as directed by the Board. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 7/10/14.

MILLER, Robert John, M.D. (#35-038145) – Sidney, Ohio

Based on allegations that in his care and treatment of nine specified patients, the doctor failed to maintain minimal standards of care applicable to the selection or administration of drugs, or failed to employ acceptable scientific methods in the selection of drugs or other modalities for the treatment of disease and departed from or failed to conform to minimal standards of care. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 7/10/14.

MOMAH, Dennis Somto, M.D. (#35-064950) – Southfield, Michigan

Based on the doctor's conviction in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Georgia, Brunswick Division, on one felony count of Distribution and Dispensation of a Controlled Substance and on prior action against the doctor's medical licenses by the Georgia Composite Medical Board and the Medical Quality Assurance Commission for the Department of Health in the State of Washington. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 7/10/14.

FINAL ORDERS

BOMSER, Michael Howard, D.O. (#34-007954) – Powell, Ohio

Medical license permanently revoked. Based on doctor's inability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care by reason of mental or physical illness; his writing of prescriptions for controlled substances in the names of employees, co-workers and others while intending to take the controlled substances himself, which constitutes the commission of a felony; and his engagement of prostitutes for sexual intercourse over a period of more than twenty years, which constitutes the commission of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude. Order effective 8/1/14.

DESANTIS, James Michael, M.D. (#35-091943) – Marietta, Georgia

Medical license placed on probation until such time at the doctor provides evidence that he has been released from the conditions imposed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board in an October 10, 2013, Public Consent Order. Based on prior action by the Georgia Composite Medical Board, which summarily suspended the doctor's license based upon the doctor's failure to enter treatment for chemical dependency and a subsequent Public Consent Order which reinstated the doctor's Georgia medical license subject to certain probationary requirements. Order effective 8/1/14.

TUCKER, Naja Norlishia (M.T. Applicant) – Cleveland Heights, Ohio

Application for a license to practice massage therapy granted and license immediately suspended for at least 180 days. Upon reinstatement, license to be placed on probation for at least three years. Based on findings that the applicant made false, fraudulent, deceptive or misleading statements in attempting to secure a certificate to practice massage therapy by failing to fully and accurately disclose all criminal arrests and convictions on her application. Order effective 7/10/14.

WILLIAMS, James Andrew, D.O. (#34-005346) – Kokomo, Indiana

Medical license indefinitely suspended with interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established. Upon reinstatement, license to be placed on probation for at least five years. Based on Board's findings that the doctor's failure to submit to a chemical dependency examination as ordered by the Board was due to circumstances within his control and that he is legally presumed to be impaired in his ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care by reason of his habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs, alcohol, or other substances that impair ability to practice. Order effective 7/10/14.

LICENSE REINSTATED

UNK, Elizabeth Sauter, M.D. (#35-082178) – Lewis Center, Ohio

Doctor's request for reinstatement of license granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14 subject to probationary terms and conditions established by 6/11/14 Board Order. Effective 7/13/14.

VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS/RETIREMENTS

GHARABAWY, Ramez Reda, M.D. (#35-093487) – Westlake, Ohio

Permanent revocation of medical license authorized by doctor in lieu of further formal disciplinary proceedings based on the doctor's admission to the allegations contained in the 11/13/13 Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and in association with a plea agreement to resolve criminal charges pending against him in the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas. Effective 7/9/14.

PLATT, William James, D.O. (#34-004801) – Athens, Ohio

Permanent revocation of osteopathic medical license authorized by doctor in lieu of further formal disciplinary proceedings based on the doctor's admission to the allegations contained in the 3/12/14 Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. Effective 7/9/14.

XIANG, Baojian (M.T. Applicant) – Cincinnati, Ohio

Permanent withdrawal of application for license to practice massage therapy accepted by the Board in lieu of further investigation and/or disciplinary proceedings pursuant to Section 4731.22(B)(34), Ohio Revised Code, related to the Board's inquiry into certain activities alleged to be consistent with human trafficking issues and discrepancies in his application for a license to practice massage therapy in Ohio. Effective 7/9/14.

PROBATIONARY REQUESTS AND MODIFICATIONS

BEEKMAN, Stanley, D.P.M. and M.T. (#36-001802 & #33-005367) – North Olmsted, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of personal and professional ethics course granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

CHU, Paul P., M.D. (#35-053485) – Springfield, Ohio

Doctor's request to discontinue comparative audit/Pyxis Medstation report and discontinue assay report granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

HANZLIK, Shane R., M.D. (#57-015402) – Cleveland, Ohio

Doctor's request to discontinue drug log requirement granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

HESLER, Brian David, M.D. (#35-121206) – Roselle, Illinois

Doctor's request for permission to continue under the terms and conditions of 5/9/12 consent agreement while residing in Illinois granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

JOHNSON, Gregory Gene, M.D. (#35-048254) – Perrysburg, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of new treating psychotherapist granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

KUMAR, I. Praveen, M.D. (#35-066270) – Hudson, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of monitoring physician granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14. Frequency and number of charts to be reviewed by monitor established.

LEWIS, Carol Elaine, M.D. (#35-098281) – Cleveland Heights, Ohio

Doctor's request for termination of limitation restricting doctor to participation in post-graduate training program or fellowship approved by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

MALUDY, Jeffrey Constantine, M.D. (#35-048825) – Toledo, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of treating neurologist granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

NELSON, Jeffrey Tait, M.D. (#57-020202) – Cleveland, Ohio

Doctor's request to reduce required drug and rehabilitation meetings to two per week with a minimum of ten per month and request to reduce required personal appearances to every six months granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

PALMA, Michael J., M.D. (#57-024151) – Cleveland, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of treating psychiatrist and psychotherapist granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

RUBENS, Lawrence Michael, M.D. (#35-092837) – Columbus, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of physician to conduct psychiatric assessment granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

WEIKERT, Shannon Dimetra, M.T. (#33-019127) – Springfield, Ohio

Massage therapist's request for approval of ethics course granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

WHITAKER, Emmett Edwin, III, M.D. (#35-121452) – Columbus, Ohio

Doctor's request to reduce required drug and alcohol meetings to two per week with a minimum of ten per month, reduce required psychiatric treatment sessions to every other month, and reduce required personal appearances to every six months granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14.

ZUCCO, Anthony Donald, D.O. (#34-006525) – West Jefferson, Ohio

Doctor's request for approval of practice plan and monitoring physician granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14. Frequency and number of charts to be reviewed by monitoring physician established.

PROBATION TERMINATED

BLANCHARD, Paul Lewis, M.D. (#35-079460) – Trenton, Ohio

Doctor's request for release from terms of 7/8/09 Consent Agreement granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14. Effective immediately.

HUGUNIN, Ralph Arden, M.D. (#35-078316) – Delaware, Ohio

Doctor's request for release from terms of 5/13/09 Board Order granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14. License remains subject to permanent restriction and limitation banning him from prescribing, administering, or furnishing controlled substances outside of the hospital setting, as established by 5/13/09 Board Order. Effective 7/15/14.

JONES, Allen James, M.D. (#35-043951) – Port Orange, Florida

Doctor's request for release from terms of 5/11/11 Consent Agreement granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14. Effective immediately.

KENNEN, James Michael, D.O. (#34-009065) – Bay Village, Ohio

Doctor's request for release from terms of 7/8/09 Consent Agreement granted by vote of the Board on 7/9/14. Effective immediately.

COURT ACTIONS

JOHNSON, Craig Whitaker, M.D. (#35-048496) – Middletown, Ohio

By Entry filed on 6/30/14, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas granted doctor's motion for stay of the Board's 4/9/14 Order of indefinite suspension, conditioned upon the doctor having a chaperone during all office visits with and treatment of unaccompanied patients; the doctor and his family members refraining from all contact, direct or indirect, with the victim and her family; the doctor and his family refraining from divulging the victim's identity to the community during the pendency of the appeal; and upon the doctor and his family removing all social media posts relating to the victim.

NALLURI, Anil Choudary, M.D. (#35-040657) – Canfield, Ohio

By Decision and Entry filed on 6/16/14, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas affirmed the Board's 11/13/13 order of probation.

NON-DISCIPLINARY ORDERS

VANDERLAAN, Julie Anne (M.T. Applicant) – Cincinnati, Ohio

Application for license to practice massage therapy denied. Based on applicant's failure to provide documentation of minimum educational requirements for license. Order effective 7/10/14.

Please note that revocation and suspension Orders are not always effective immediately. If you have questions about effective dates or conditions governing a doctor's practice before a Board Order takes effect, please contact the office.

Ohio law permits appeal of a Board Order to the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas. Due to this possibility and the potential for a stay that might delay the imposition of a Board action, you may wish to contact us periodically to verify a given practitioner's licensure status.

Most current citation letters, Board Orders, consent agreements and voluntary surrenders or retirements are available on the Medical Board's website at <http://www.med.ohio.gov/> under "Licensee Profile and Status." If you have questions or need additional details about Citations, Board Orders, Consent Agreements, or Court Actions, please contact the Case Control Office. If you have questions regarding a probationary modification or a probationary request, please contact the Compliance Office. Our offices may be reached at (614) 466-3934.