

**BOARD MINUTES  
MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE  
JULY 29, 2020**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure was held on Wednesday, July 29, 2020, in Hinds County, Jackson, Mississippi.

**THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:**

J. Ann Rea, M.D., Columbus, President  
David W. McClendon, Jr., M.D., Ocean Springs, Vice President  
Michelle Y. Owens, M.D., Jackson, Secretary  
Charles D. Miles, M.D., West Point  
C. Kenneth Lippincott, M.D., Tupelo  
H. Allen Gersh, M.D., Hattiesburg  
Daniel Edney, M.D., Vicksburg  
Thomas Joiner, M.D., Jackson

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Stan T. Ingram, Complaint Counsel for the Board  
Alexis Morris, Special Assistant Attorney General  
Leyser Hayes, Special Assistant Attorney General  
Kenneth Cleveland, Executive Director  
Mike Lucius, Deputy Director  
Anna Boone, Director of Licensure Division  
Leslie Ross, Director of Investigations  
Kristin Wallace, Clinical Director of Physician Compliance  
Jonathan Dalton, Investigations Supervisor  
Frances Carrillo, Staff Officer  
Arlene Davis, IT Director  
Major General (Ret.) Erik Hearon, Consumer Health Committee  
Wesley Breland, Hattiesburg, Consumer Health Committee  
Shoba Gaymes, Jackson, Consumer Health Committee

**NOT PRESENT:**

Kirk L. Kinard, D.O., Oxford

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m., by Dr. Rea, President. The invocation was given by Dr. Edney and the pledge was led by Maj Gen Erik Hearon.

Dr. Rea introduced Leyser Hayes, and Alexis Morris, Special Assistant Attorney General and Tammi Fulghum, Court Reporter with Brown Court Reporting.

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**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Dr. Cleveland provided an updated summary of the operations regarding Licensure and Investigative Division operations for the months of May and June

Dr. Cleveland provided a brief report and success of the Board's new Licensure system in the registration / renewal of the licensure process.

**Review and Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting dated June 3 and 4, 2020.**

Upon review of the minutes of the Board Meeting dated June 3 and 4, 2020, Dr. Owens moved for approval of the minutes as submitted. Dr. Lippincott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Review and Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting dated June 10, 2020.**

Upon review of the minutes of the Board Meeting dated June 10, 2020, Dr. Miles moved for approval of the minutes as submitted. Dr. McClendon seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Review and Approval of Minutes of the Executive Committee Board Meeting dated June 22, 2020.**

Upon review of the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting dated June 22, 2020, Dr. Owens moved for approval of the minutes as submitted. Dr. McClendon seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Review and Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting dated June 24, 2020.**

Upon review of the minutes of the Board Meeting dated June 24, 2020, Dr. Miles moved for approval of the minutes as amended. Dr. Owens seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Review and Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting dated June 30, 2020.**

Upon review of the minutes of the Board Meeting dated June 30, 2020, Dr. McClendon moved for approval of the minutes as amended. Dr. Owens seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

**Scope of Practice - Dr. Owens (Chair), Dr. Miles, Dr. Kinard, Dr. Gersh, Dr. McClendon, Mr. Breland, Ms. Gaymes, Dr. Edney**

Dr. Owens advised there was no new information to report.

**Professionals Health Program - Dr. Lippincott (Chair), Dr. Gersh, Dr. Edney, Maj Gen Hearon, Ms. Gaymes, Dr. Joiner**

Dr. Lippincott advised there was no new information to report.

**Telemedicine I Interstate Licensure Compact - Dr. McClendon (Chair), Dr. Miles, Dr. Kinard, Dr. Lippincott, Maj Gen Hearon, Mr. Lucius**

Dr. McClendon advised there was no new information to report.

**Licensees Education and Communication - Dr. Owens (Chair), Dr. McClendon, Dr. Gersh, Dr. Kinard, Dr. Joiner, Dr. Lippincott, Mr. Breland, Ms. Gaymes, Mr. Lucius**

Dr. Owens reported plans to integrate the new system with the agency website in disseminating information about the board with a newsletter, identifying resources for licensees, board action and frequently asked questions. Plans to develop this concept into practice by the next quarter.

**Physician Assistant Advisory Task Force - Dr. McClendon (Chair), Dr. Kinard, Robert Philpot, Jr., PhD, PA-C, Joanna Mason, PA-C, Ms. Lauren English, Phyllis Johnson, Board of Nursing, Tristen Harris, PA-C, Leah Calder, PA-C, Mr. Gavin Nowell, Mr. Jonathan Dalton, Maj Gen Hearon**

Dr. McClendon advised there was no new information to report.

**Rules, Regulation & Legislative - Dr. Miles (Chair), Dr. Gersh, Dr. Joiner, Dr. Owens, Dr. Lippincott, Mr. Breland, Ms. Hope Ladner**

Dr. Miles advised there was no new information to report.

Dr. Rea introduced Dr. Edney as the chair for a new task force, the **Hospice Ad Hoc Committee** to work on language changes for the hospice regulation. Dr. Edney advised his plans to ask Dr. Justin Turner, Dr. Dustin Gentry, and Dr. Jerry Ann Houston to serve on this committee. Dr. Rea requested that Board member Dr. Joiner to be added to this taskforce and Dr. Joiner accepted.

**SANTÉ CENTER FOR HEALING – MAINTAINING PROPER BOUNDARIES COURSE**

Santé Center for Healing – Maintaining Proper Boundaries Course is presented for approval to be added to the Board Approved CME course list. Dr. Joiner moved to table approval of this course and request that Dr. Hambleton review this course and report back to the Board. Dr. McClendon seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**LANDMARK FIRST – MODEL FOR PATIENT CARE IN MISSISSIPPI**

Appearing for this presentation to the Board is Dr. Cono Badalamenti, Regional Medical Director from New Orleans, Dr. Perry Walton, Pod Leader for Landmark from Ocean Springs, and Jeffrey S. Moore, local Mississippi Attorney with Phelps Dunbar.

After the presentation, discussion and questions from Board members, this matter will be referred to the Rules and Regulations Committee to consider this Model for patient care in Mississippi.

**ASHOK JEYAKUMAR, M.D., APPLICANT  
PETITION FOR A WAIVER**

Mr. Ingram briefly summarized Dr. Jeyakumar's request for a waiver of the licensure training requirement for a permanent medical license. Dr. Jeyakumar's application for a permanent license was denied because he is an international medical school graduate who has not met the training requirements according to Part 2605 of the rules and regulations of the Board. Mr. Ingram advised that the Board may waive any or all of the existing requirements for licensure after review and consideration of the Applicant's written request and relevant factors. Mr. Ingram placed documents into the record pertaining to Dr. Jeyakumar's application for medical licensure.

Dr. Jeyakumar joined the meeting and addressed the Board to discuss his application for a permanent unrestricted medical license. Dr. Jeyakumar introduced Dr. Brian Kogan, Chief of Cardiac Surgery at UMC to make a statement on his behalf.

After discussion and questions by the Board, a motion by Dr. Edney seconded by Dr. Owens and carried unanimously to grant Dr. Jeyakumar's petition for a waiver.

A copy of the Board Order is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

**DANIEL CANCHOLA, M.D., MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE NUMBER 25691  
APPROVAL OF CONSENT ORDER**

Mr. Ingram advised additional information is necessary for the Board to consider this Consent Order. A motion by Dr. Joiner, seconded by Dr. McClendon and carried

unanimously to table this matter at the next meeting pending clarification from the Texas Medical Board.

**NAIYER IMAM, M.D., MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE NUMBER 19043**  
**APPROVAL OF CONSENT ORDER**

Mr. Ingram briefly summarized the Consent Order executed by Dr. Imam.

Upon a motion by Dr. Miles seconded by Dr. McClendon and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Order; issuing a reprimand mirroring action by the Minnesota and Maryland Boards.

A copy of the Consent Order is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

**MOHAMMAD AHMAD-SABRY, M.D., MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE 19115**  
**PETITION TO LIFT CONSENT ORDER DATED MAY 18, 2017**

Mr. Ingram introduced Dr. Ahmad-Sabry and his attorney Mr. John Banahan. Mr. Ingram briefly summarized this case and introduced documents into the record.

Mr. Banahan addressed the Board and briefly summarized Dr. Ahmad-Sabry's compliance with the CPEP educational plan since execution of the Consent Order. Mr. Banahan advised that Dr. Ahmad-Sabry is petitioning the Board to lift the Consent Order.

Upon a motion by Dr. Owens seconded by Dr. Miles and carried unanimously to lift the Consent Order.

A copy of the Order lifting restrictions is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

**APPROVAL OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE FINAL REPORT PURSUANT TO**  
**MS CODE §73-25-61**

A motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Owens and carried to close the meeting to consider whether to enter into executive session on this matter.

A motion was made by Dr. Miles, seconded by Dr. Lippincott and carried that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of considering confidential information pursuant to the Disabled Physician Law.

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**HEARING IN THE CASE OF STEVE MORRIS, M.D.**  
**MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE NUMBER 13836**

Ms. Hayes opened with the introduction of the Board members and to document a quorum for the record.

Mr. Ingram was introduced as complaint counsel and Mr. Doug Mercier who is representing Dr. Morris and both attorneys introduced exhibits into the record.

Mr. Ingram briefly summarized the case and made an opening statement. Mr. Ingram advised Dr. Morris has requested a show cause hearing why his application for a Mississippi medical license should not be denied. Mr. Ingram reviewed Dr. Morris' licensure history and previous appearances before the Board ending with a surrender of his medical license in 2016.

Mr. Mercier made an opening statement.

Dr. Morris was sworn in by the court reporter. Dr. Morris was questioned and answered questions from Mr. Ingram, Mr. Mecier and the Board.

Dr. Susan Julius was sworn in as a witness in support of Dr. Morris. Dr. Julius was questioned and answered questions from the Board.

Following closing statements by Mr. Ingram and Mr. Mercier, a motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. McClendon and carried that the Board meeting be closed to discuss whether to enter into executive session on this matter.

A motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Miles, and carried that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of considering an application for licensure which could lead to entry of an appealable order.

Upon a motion by Dr. Joiner, seconded by Dr. Miles and carried, the Board came out of Executive Session at which time Dr. Rea asked Dr. Owens to report on its decision. Dr. Owens advised it is the decision of the Board to approve Dr. Morris application and grant him a restricted license pending satisfactory completion of the educational plan. Motion was passed with all in favor except Dr. Joiner voting against.

A copy of the Board Order is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

The official account of this proceeding was recorded by Tamara Fulgham, Court Reporter, Brown Court Reporting, Inc.

**HEARING IN THE CASE JOSEPH JACKSON, M.D.**  
**MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE NUMBER 08636**

Mr. Ingram advised a request was received from Dr Jackson for a continuance who is represented by Mr. Michael Crosby.

Upon a motion by Dr. Owens seconded by Dr. Joiner and carried unanimously to grant the Continuance until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

A copy of the Continuance is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

The official account of this proceeding was recorded by Tamara Fulgham, Court Reporter, Brown Court Reporting, Inc.

**HEARING IN THE CASE OF ELAINE REINHARD, M.D.**  
**MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE NUMBER 17415**

Mr. Ingram advised a request for a continuance was received from Dr. Reinhard who is represented by Mr. Gregory Malta.

Upon a motion by Dr. Joiner seconded by Dr. Edney and carried unanimously to grant the Continuance until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

A copy of the Continuance is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

The official account of this proceeding was recorded by Tamara Fulgham, Court Reporter, Brown Court Reporting, Inc.

**HEARING IN THE CASE OF MARTIN L THOMLEY, M.D.**  
**APPLICANT**

Ms. Hayes opened with Dr. Thomley's petition for a waiver of a requirement for licensure and proceeded with the introduction of the Board members to document a quorum for the record.

Mr. Ingram was introduced as complaint counsel and Mr. Philip Chapman who is representing Dr. Thomley, both introduced exhibits into the record.

All witnesses were sworn in by the court reporter.

Mr. Ingram made an opening statement regarding Dr. Thomley's request for a waiver of a certain Licensure requirement pertaining to documenting a two-year period of abstinence of someone who has participated in an impaired professionals' program.

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Mr. Chapman made an opening statement as to why the Board should consider granting a waiver based on Dr. Thomley's compliance and documentation of over one year of abstinence.

Dr. Adam Quinn, Dr. Wright Lanten, Dr. Scott Hambleton, Medical Director of the Mississippi Physician Health Program and Dr. Thomley were questioned and answered questions from the Board.

Following closing statements by Mr. Ingram and Mr. Chapman, a motion was made by Dr. Miles, seconded by Dr. Owens and carried that the Board meeting be closed to discuss whether to enter into executive session on this matter.

A motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Joiner, and carried that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of considering an application for licensure which could lead to litigation or an entry of an appealable order.

Upon a motion by Dr. Lippincott, seconded by Dr. Edney and carried, the Board came out of Executive Session at which time Dr. Rea asked Dr. Owens to report on its decision. Dr. Owens advised it is the decision of the Board to grant the request for waiver for an unrestricted license.

A copy of the Board Order is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

The official account of this proceeding was recorded by Tamara Fulgham, Court Reporter, Brown Court Reporting, Inc.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Dr. Rea adjourned the meeting at 6:31 pm and advised that the Board meeting will reconvene at 9:00 am Thursday morning.**



**BOARD MINUTES**  
**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE**  
**JULY 30, 2020**

The meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure was reconvened on Thursday, July 30, 2020, in Hinds County, Jackson, Mississippi., Jackson, Mississippi.

**THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:**

J. Ann Rea, M.D., Columbus, President  
David W. McClendon, Jr., M.D., Ocean Springs, Vice President  
Michelle Y. Owens, M.D., Jackson, Secretary  
Charles D. Miles, M.D., West Point  
C. Kenneth Lippincott, M.D., Tupelo  
Kirk L. Kinard, D.O., Oxford  
H. Allen Gersh, M.D., Hattiesburg  
Daniel Edney, M.D., Vicksburg  
Thomas Joiner, M.D., Jackson

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Stan T. Ingram, Complaint Counsel for the Board  
Alexis Morris, Special Assistant Attorney General  
Leyser Hayes, Special Assistant Attorney General  
Kenneth Cleveland, Executive Director  
Mike Lucius, Deputy Director  
Anna Boone, Director of Licensure Division  
Leslie Ross, Director of Investigations  
Kristin Wallace, Clinical Director of Physician Compliance  
Jonathan Dalton, Investigations Supervisor  
Frances Carrillo, Staff Officer  
Arlene Davis, IT Director  
Major General (Ret.) Erik Hearon, Consumer Health Committee  
Wesley Breland, Hattiesburg, Consumer Health Committee  
Shoba Gaymes, Jackson, Consumer Health Committee

Day Two of the meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m., by Dr. Rea, President.

Dr. Rea introduced Alexis Morris, Special Assistant Attorney General to serve as the Hearing Officer and Tammi Fulghum, Court Reporter with Brown Court Reporting.

**HEARING IN THE CASE OF JOSEPH CARVER, M.D.**  
**APPLICANT**

Ms. Morris advised that this is a hearing to show cause why the application for a medical license by Dr. Carver should not be denied. Ms. Morris proceeded with the introduction of the Board members to document a quorum for the record.

Mr. Ingram was introduced as complaint counsel and Mr. Doug Mercier who is representing Dr. Carver, both introduced exhibits into the record.

Dr. Carver is sworn in by the court reporter.

Mr. Ingram made an opening statement why Dr. Carver's application for a medical license was denied.

Mr. Mercier made an opening statement as to why the Board should consider granting a medical license to Dr. Carver.

Dr. Carver was questioned and answered questions from the Board.

**Mr. Mercier Requested for A Five Minute Break**

Mr. Mercier advised that Dr. Carver is requesting to withdraw his application at this time so that he may obtain additional training.

Upon a motion by Dr. Miles seconded by Dr. Owens and carried unanimously to accept the withdrawal of application.

The official account of this proceeding was recorded by Tamara Fulgham, Court Reporter, Brown Court Reporting, Inc.

**HEARING IN THE CASE OF DOMINIC TRINCA, M.D.**  
**MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE NUMBER 14017**

Witnesses were sworn in by the court reporter.

Ms. Morris advised that Dr. Trinca has requested reinstatement of licensure, a show cause hearing for the denial of his application for a medical license and she proceeded with the introduction of the Board members and to document a quorum for the record.

Mr. Ingram was introduced as complaint counsel and Mr. Philip Chapman representing Dr. Trinca, both introduced exhibits into the record.

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Mr. Ingram made an opening statement regarding Dr. Trinca's petition for reinstatement of a suspended license.

Mr. Chapman made an opening statement as to why the Board should consider granting a medical license to Dr. Trinca.

Mr. Ingram briefly summarized Dr. Trinca's licensure history.

Dr. Scott Hambleton, Medical Director, Mississippi Physician Health Program was questioned and answered questions from the Board.

Dr. Trinca was questioned and answered questions from Mr. Ingram, Mr. Chapman and the Board.

Following closing statements by Mr. Ingram and Mr. Chapman, a motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Miles, and carried that the Board meeting be closed to discuss whether to enter into executive session on this matter.

A motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Miles, and carried that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of considering an application for licensure which could lead to litigation or an entry of an appealable order.

Upon a motion by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Miles and carried, the Board came out of Executive Session at which time Dr. Rea asked Dr. Owens to report on its decision. Dr. Owens advised it is the decision of the Board to deny Dr. Trinca's petition for reinstatement. However, upon successful completion of a Board-approved remedial education plan, he may repetition the Board for reconsideration of licensure reinstatement. Motion was passed with all in favor except Dr. Miles voting against.

A copy of the Board Order is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

The official account of this proceeding was recorded by Tamara Fulgham, Court Reporter, Brown Court Reporting, Inc.

**FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES:**

June 16, 2020 - Shahjahan Sultan, M.D.  
Mississippi Medical License Number 21500  
Surrender of Medical License

June 29, 2020 - Thomas Sturdavant, M.D.  
Mississippi Medical License Number 16798  
Surrender of Medical License


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**SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING DATE**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16 and Thursday September 17, 2020.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, Thursday, July 30, 2020 at 3:56 pm.**

  
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Jeanne Ann Rea, M.D.  
President

**Minutes taken and transcribed  
By Frances Carrillo  
Staff Officer  
July 30, 2020**

**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE  
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR MEDICAL LICENSE OF  
ASHOK KUMAR COIMBATONE JEYAKUMAR, M.D.**

**ORDER**

**THIS MATTER** came on regularly for hearing on July 29, 2020, before the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (hereinafter "Board"), pursuant to Title 73, Chapter 25 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. On June, 21, 2020, Ashok Kumar Coimbatone Jeyakumar, M.D., (hereinafter "Applicant") submitted his application to the Board seeking a license to practice medicine pursuant to Part 2605, Chapter 1 of the Rules and Regulations of the Board governing licensure by credentials. Applicant is a graduate of an international medical school. Therefore, pursuant to Rule 1.1.D Applicant must present documentation of having completed either three (3) or more years of ACGME approved postgraduate training in the United States or training in Canada approved by the RCPSC or one (1) year of ACGME/RCPSC training and be currently board-certified. Because Applicant is not board-certified, he submitted documentation of having completed three (3) years of fellowship training. While both fellowships were at ACGME approved facilities, one of the fellowship programs was not listed as ACGME approved. As a result, Applicant has requested a waiver pursuant to Rule 1.2.

Licensee appeared without counsel via videoconference. Complaint Counsel for the Board was Honorable Stan. T. Ingram. Sitting as legal advisor to the Board was Honorable Leyser Hayes, Special Assistant Attorney General. Board members present for the proceedings were Jeanne Ann Rea, M.D., William McClendon, M.D., Michelle Y. Owens, M.D., Charles D. Miles, M.D., Charles Kenneth "Ken" Lippincott, M.D., Daniel

Paul Edney, M.D. and Thomas Edwards Joiner, M.D. Allen Gersh, M.D., was present via videoconference.

Having conducted a hearing in this matter and based upon the testimony and the evidence presented, the Board finds that the waiver may be granted. Applicant's credentials are not in dispute. He is being actively recruited by the University of Mississippi School of Medicine both as a professor and to work in the surgery department. Applicant's three (3) years of required postgraduate training were achieved at two different institutions/programs. One was a *Cardiac Surgery Fellowship* at the Cleveland Clinic, an ACGME accredited facility and program. The remaining postgraduate training was in *Robotic & Minimally Invasive Cardiac Surgery* at Emory University which is an ACGME approved facility. While this particular fellowship program is not listed as ACGME accredited, the facility is accredited and the program otherwise reputable.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that the application of Ashok Kumar Coimbatone Jeyakumar, M.D., for a medical license by credentials, is hereby granted.

**SO ORDERED**, this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE**

BY:   
**JEANNE ANN REA, M.D., PRESIDENT**

**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE**  
**IN THE MATTER OF PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE**  
**OF**  
**NAIYER IMAM, M.D.**  
**CONSENT ORDER**

**WHEREAS**, Naiyer Imam, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of License No. 19043, issued August 8, 2005, for the practice of medicine in the State of Mississippi;

**WHEREAS**, in May of 2018 the Minnesota Board of Medical Practice, hereinafter referred to as "Minnesota Board," received a report that a medical malpractice claim was filed against Licensee in August of 2017. The malpractice claim was settled in March of 2019. Based on the report, the Minnesota Board conducted an investigation of Licensee's care of the patient. On September 9, 2019, the Committee found Licensee's practices as inappropriate in such a way to require, Minnesota Board action under Minn. Stat. § 147.091, subd. 1(k) (conduct that departs from or fails to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice) (2018). On November 9, 2019, based on the findings of the Minnesota Board, the Licensee was reprimanded by and through a Consent Order.

**WHEREAS**, on January 17, 2020, the Maryland Board of Physicians hereinafter referred to as the "Maryland Board," concluded as a matter of law that the disciplinary action taken by the Minnesota Board against Licensee was for an act or acts that would be grounds for disciplinary action under Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(22) had those offenses been committed in Maryland, and would thus subject him to discipline under Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(21). Based on the findings of the Maryland Board, Licensee was Reprimanded through a signed a Consent Order.

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Subsection (9) of Section 73-25-29, Mississippi Code (1972), Annotated, the aforementioned actions by the Minnesota Board and the Maryland Board

constitute restrictions placed on his license in another jurisdiction, grounds for which the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure may revoke the Mississippi medical license of Licensee, suspend his right to practice for a time deemed proper by the Board, place his license on probation, the terms of which may be set by the Board, or take any other action in relation to his license as the Board may deem proper under the circumstances;

**WHEREAS**, Licensee wishes to avoid a hearing before the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure and, in lieu thereof, has consented to certain restrictions on his license to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure with consent of Licensee as signified by his Joinder herein, does hereby formally reprimand Licensee.

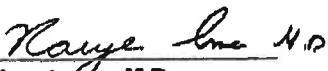
This Consent Order shall be subject to approval by the Board. If the Board fails to approve this Consent Order, in whole or in part, it shall have no force or effect on the parties. It is further understood and agreed that the purpose of this Consent Order is to avoid a hearing before the Board. In this regard, Licensee authorizes the Board to review and examine any documentary evidence or material concerning the Licensee prior to or in conjunction with its consideration of this Consent Order. Should this Consent Order not be accepted by the Board, it is agreed that presentation to and consideration of this Consent Order and other documents and matters pertaining thereto by the Board shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Board or any of its members from participation in any further proceedings.

Licensee understands and expressly acknowledges that this Consent Order, if approved and executed by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, shall constitute a public record of the State of Mississippi. Licensee further acknowledges that the Board shall provide a copy of this Order to, among others, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Board makes no representation as to action, if any, which the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration may take in response to this Order.



Recognizing his right to notice of charges specified against him, to have such charges adjudicated pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section 73-25-27 (1972), to be represented therein by legal counsel of his choice, and to a final decision rendered upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, Naiyer Imam, M.D., nonetheless, hereby waives his right to notice and a formal adjudication of charges and authorizes the Board to enter an order accepting this Consent Order.

Executed, this the 12, day of March, 2020.

  
Naiyer Imam, M.D.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED this the 29<sup>th</sup>, day of July, 2020, by the  
Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.

  
Jeanne Ann Rea, M.D.  
Board President

**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN LICENSE OF**  
**MOHAMMAD IBRAHIM AHMAD-SABRY, M.D.**

**ORDER REMOVING ALL RESTRICTIONS**

**THIS MATTER** came on regularly for hearing on July 29, 2020, before the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, in response to the petition of Mohammad Ibrahim Ahmad-Sabry, M.D. (hereinafter "Licensee"), seeking removal of all restrictions on his license to the practice medicine in the State of Mississippi. By virtue of that certain Consent Order dated April 19, 2017, accepted by the Board on May 18, 2017, certain restrictions were imposed on Licensee's certificate to practice medicine in the state of Mississippi. The Board is now in receipt of proof that all requirements, including CPEP education and training, have been satisfied. Therefore, the Board, after hearing said request, finds the same to be well-taken.


**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Licensee's request for removal of all remaining restrictions on his license to practice medicine is hereby granted. Licensee now holds an unrestricted license to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, that pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section 73-25-27, a copy of this Order shall be sent by registered mail or personally served upon Mohammad Ibrahim Ahmad-Sabry, M.D.

**ORDERED**, this the 29th day of July, 2020.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF  
MEDICAL LICENSURE**

BY:

  
JEANNE ANN REA, M.D., PRESIDENT

**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE**  
**OF**  
**STEVE MORRIS, III, M.D.**  
**FINAL ORDER**

The above-titled matter came before the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure in Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, on July 29, 2020, pursuant to a Notice to Show Cause issued to Steve Morris, III, M.D. A quorum of Board members was present throughout the hearing and deliberation in the matter.

Board Counsel Stan Ingram, Esq., presented the charges regarding the application for licensure. The Applicant, having been served with the Notice to Show Cause, and being fully informed of his rights to a formal hearing before the Board, was represented by Doug Mercier, Esq. The case was called to hearing without objection from either party.

Leyser Q. Hayes, Special Assistant Attorney General, who served as Administrative Hearing Officer, presided at the hearing and was directed to prepare the Board's written decision in accordance with its deliberations.

And now, upon consideration of all the material produced in the record before the Board, along with the testimony presented at the hearing, the Board makes the following findings and conclusions, and Order based on clear and convincing evidence:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. The Board is established pursuant to the Mississippi State Board Medical Licensure Act, Title 73, Chapter 43 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 as amended, and is charged with the duty of licensing and regulating the practice of medicine in the State of Mississippi.
2. Section 73-25-29, and 73-25-83, 73-25-87 of the Mississippi Code Annotated (1972) as amended provide that the board may deny an application for license if the applicant has violated any provisions therein.
3. Dr. Steve Morris was called as an adverse witness by the counsel for the Board. Counsel for the Board submitted fourteen (14) exhibits. During his testimony, Dr. Morris testified that he had been investigated by the Board on September 23, 1998 regarding his controlled substance prescribing practices and that within a year, on April 5, 1999, he was found to be in violation of the Board's regulations governing the use of diet medication. Morris further testified that following a comprehensive investigation, September 8-14, 2000, he executed his first Consent Order which was signed on November 15, 2000, where he agreed that he would remain in compliance and familiarize himself with Board rules and regulations.

4. Dr. Morris admitted that he had performed breast augmentations/reductions in his office that had adverse effects in June through August of 2002. He further testified that on October 17, 2002, following a comprehensive investigation, it was determined that he violated his first Consent Order and was presented with a second Consent Order suspending his medical license indefinitely but with a stay of suspension after six months provided he met certain conditions, including but not limited to: (i) completion of a comprehensive psychological and psychiatric evaluation; (ii) prohibition against performing breast augmentations/reductions or "any surgical procedures inside or outside a hospital: until successful completion of an approved surgical residency; (iii) prohibition against use of any medications for weight loss or control; (iv) completion of CME as to proper medical records; and (v) presentation of a practice plan acceptable to the board. Dr. Morris testified that after this action was taken by the Mississippi Board, the Alabama Medical Board revoked his Alabama license and the Wisconsin Medical Licensure Board suspended his license based upon his conduct in Mississippi.
5. Dr. Morris testified that on November 4, 2004, he requested reinstatement of his medical license and his request was granted but subject to restrictions, including: prohibition against office based surgery, including breast augmentation or breast reduction surgery, prohibition against prescribing for obesity, weight loss or weight control, and clinical practice limited to 48 hours per week, and also remain under the care of a Board approved psychiatrist.
6. Dr. Morris testified that the Board entered an Order on January 20, 2011, after a hearing finding that he had violated the November 4, 2004 Consent Order of Reinstatement. However, he testified that the Board could have revoked his license, but allowed him to continue practicing, subject to the original restrictions.
7. Dr. Morris testified that on April 21, 2015, a 57 Count Criminal indictment was issued against him in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, charging him with violation of 21 U.S.C. 84 (a)(1) – distributing controlled substances outside the scope of professional practice and 21 U.S.C. 846 – conspiracy to distribute controlled substances outside the scope of professional practice. He testified that he lost focus and was "caught up" with all the work he had committed to regarding his Urgent Care Clinic, being a professor in Florida, and working on an Indian Reservation in Arizona.
8. Dr. Morris testified that as a result of the Criminal Indictment, the Board issued a Summons and Affidavit charging him with six (6) Counts for violation of the Mississippi Medical Practice Law, including prescribing controlled substances outside the course of legitimate professional practice; violation of board regulations governing the use of controlled substances (the "holy trinity") which reflected that he failed to familiarize himself with Board rules and regulations; failure to register a Pain Management Practice; violation of the Board Order of January 2011; and unprofessional conduct likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public.

9. Dr. Morris testified that he entered a guilty plea before the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, as a single count. Specifically, Count 54 of the indictment charging him with violation of 21 U.S.C. 84(a)(1)—distributing a controlled substance outside the scope of professional practice. He expressed that he surrendered his license on January 16, 2016 and was jailed in a federal prison camp in Tucson, Arizona. He testified that at the time of his surrender, he agreed that it would be necessary for him to submit a new application with the Board and that the Board reserved the right to utilize all evidence, including all facts developed during the current investigation, as part of the consideration of any application.
10. Dr. Morris testified that while incarcerated in prison, he obtained a master's degree in psychotherapy and counseling from the Louisiana Baptist University. He testified that after his release from prison, he worked as an advocate at a treatment center to assist others in placement for mental health services, addiction services, housing, employment, and education. He stated that since he had not practiced medicine for three years, he had to submit to a personal assessment in order to re-apply for licensure. (See Exhibit 12)
11. Dr. Morris also testified that he had to develop an educational plan to coincide with the assessment and intended to comply with the plan in the event the Board granted him licensure. Dr. Morris testified that he is not asking to prescribe opioids in his practice because he is aware that he needs training.
12. Dr. Morris was called as a witness by his attorney who submitted seven(7) exhibits. During this testimony, Dr. Morris expressed that what happened with his licenses in Alabama and Wisconsin was based on his misconduct in Mississippi. He also described the work and activities he was involved in since leaving prison and the commendations he possessed. He answered questions based upon CPEP recommendations and what would be required to approve his knowledge. He testified that he needed to regain his license prior to an educational plan. He testified that he also needed a preceptor.
13. Dr. Morris testified that while in prison, in addition to pursuing his Masters, he volunteered and tutored those trying to obtain their GED and participated in Bible Study. He also reiterated the programs he worked with since leaving the Federal Prison Camp and testified about the letters of support from people he worked with as well as the one provided by Elder J. Nelson Brown, a pastor in Jefferson Parish. Dr. Morris, using his Exhibit P-6, "A History of Good Works", testified about each of the activities he had been involved in. Dr. Morris further testified that Exhibit P-

7 reflected the terms of his probation, showing he was identified as low risk. He testified that his probation would end April 30, 2021.

14. Dr. Susan Julius, who provided a letter of support (see Exhibit P-2), also testified at the hearing. She testified that she met Dr. Morris at the Positive Treatment Center where he was working, and that she knew Dr. Morris to be punctual, polite, kind, smart, and diligent. She also said that in the past she believed he had been motivated by greed, but that she was a keen observer and believed that he should be given another chance. She testified that she has the disease of addiction and was afforded a chance to change.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. The Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Sections 73-25-29, and 73-25-83 (a), Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended<sup>1</sup>. Venue is likewise properly placed before the Board to hear this matter in Hinds County, Mississippi.
2. These proceedings were duly and properly convened, and all substantive and procedural requirements under law have been satisfied. This matter is, therefore, properly before the Board.
3. The Board is authorized to license and regulate persons who apply for or hold medical licenses and prescribe conditions under which persons may practice in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare.
4. The Applicant bears the burden of establishing that he satisfies the requirements for licensure as a medical doctor.
5. According to Section 73-25-29, the Board may deny an application for a Mississippi license to practice medicine.

Based upon the findings and conclusions, the Board finds the following order to be appropriate under the circumstances.

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<sup>1</sup>Unless indicated otherwise, all statutory references are to the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

**ORDER**

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT** Applicant be given a probationary restrictive license pending successful completion of the CPEP Education Plan as presented to the Board;

**FURTHER ORDERED** that until otherwise ordered by the Board, Applicant is prohibited from administering, prescribing or dispensing any scheduled drugs;

**FURTHER ORDERED** that upon successful completion of the CPEP Education Plan, Applicant shall appear before the Board at the first available opportunity to address his practice plans and to reconsider the probationary status of his license. In so doing, the Board may impose any other restrictions which the Board may deem necessary to protect the public;

**FURTHER ORDERED** that Applicant be required to cooperate with the Board, its attorneys, investigators, and other representatives in the investigation and monitoring of Respondent's practice and compliance with the provisions of this Final Order.

**FURTHER ORDERED** that if Applicant violates the terms of this Final Order or further violates the laws, rules and regulations governing the practice of medicine, the Board may take further disciplinary action against Applicant, up to and including revocation of his license. The burden of proof for any action brought against Applicant as a result of a breach of the conditions of this Final Order shall be on the Applicant to demonstrate compliance with this Order.

**FURTHER ORDERED** that this action and order of the Board shall be public record. It may be shared with other licensing boards (in and out of state), and the public, and may be reported to the appropriate entities as required or authorized by state and/or federal law or guidelines. This action shall be spread upon the Minutes of the Board as its official act and deed.

**SO ORDERED** this, the 29th day of July 2020.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF  
MEDICAL LICENSURE**

BY:   
JEANNE ANN REA, M.D., PRESIDENT

**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE  
IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE OF  
JOSEPH ALAN JACKSON, M.D.**

**ORDER OF CONTINUANCE**

**THIS MATTER** came on regularly for consideration by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, in response to a joint motion for continuance of the hearing set for this date, July 29, 2020. After consideration of the matter, the Board finds the request to be well taken.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED**, that this matter is continued until September 16, 2020 at 9:00 am, and will continue through September 17, 2020, if necessary.

**SO ORDERED**, this the 29th day of July, 2020.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE**

BY:

  
JEANNE ANN REA, M.D., PRESIDENT



**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE  
IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE OF  
ELAINE RUTH REINHARD, M.D.**

**ORDER OF CONTINUANCE**

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BY:   
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**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE  
IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE  
OF  
MARTIN THOMLEY, M.D.  
ORDER GRANTING THE WAIVER OF REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSURE**

**THIS MATTER** came on regularly for hearing on July 29, 2020, before the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, in response to the petition of Martin Thomley (hereinafter "Applicant"), seeking waiver of Part 2601, Rule 1.3, which requires that "A physician...who is participating in, or who has participated in and impaired professionals' program as approved by the Board must document a two-year period of abstinence from any abusive use of mood-altering drugs, which shall include, but not be limited to, alcohol and all substances listed in Schedules I through V of the Uniform Controlled Substances Law, Mississippi Code, from the date of completion of the program before he or she is eligible for a permanent license to practice medicine...in Mississippi."

The Board received character evidence from Dr. Adam Quinn and Dr. Wright Latan, testifying that Dr. Thomley would be an asset to the underserved community in that there are limited retinal surgeons in the State. The Board also received testimony from Dr. Thomley that he has an unrestricted license in Alabama, that he is currently under a 5-year contract with the Alabama Physician Health Program, that he is in compliance with all aspects of his PHP contract, and if given a Mississippi unrestricted license, he will be monitored by the Mississippi Committee, a fact supported by the testimony of Dr. Scott Hamilton, the Medical Director of the MPHP, and that he has an offer of employment if he receives the unrestricted Mississippi license. The parties

stipulated that Dr. Thomley met the criteria for the waiver under the current set of circumstances. Therefore, the Board, after hearing said request, finds the same to be well-taken.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Applicant's request for waiver of the 2 year requirement of Rule 1.3 is granted in that he is appropriately credentialed in an area of demonstrated need within the state, that he holds an unrestricted license in Alabama, that he is currently in compliance with Alabama PHP without a relapse for over a year, that MPHP has agreed to take over monitoring and advocacy on his behalf and the Applicant agrees that he will be monitored by the Board as deemed appropriate.

SO ORDERED this, the 29th day of July 2020.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF  
MEDICAL LICENSURE**

BY:  \_\_\_\_\_  
JEANNE ANN REA, M.D., PRESIDENT