

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE
IN THE MATTER OF PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE
OF JOHN MARLEY BERNARD, M.D.,
LICENSE NO. 28332

CASE NO. 2024-056

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, John Marley Bernard, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is a physician licensed to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi, currently holding License Number 28332. Said license expires on June 30, 2026;

WHEREAS, Licensee reports his area of practice to be Emergency Medicine conducted with Doctalkgo at 10 Trefoil Terrace, Mount Laurel, New Jersey 08054;

WHEREAS, the Investigative Staff of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, hereinafter referred to as the "Board," has conducted an investigation of Licensee and has in its possession evidence which, if produced during the course of an evidentiary hearing, would substantiate that Licensee has violated certain provisions of the Mississippi Medical Practice Act, specifically, Miss. Code Ann. § 7325-29(13) and 30 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2630, Ch. 1, R. 1.2, R. 1.3, and R. 1.4; and Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-29(8)(d) and Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-83(a); and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Licensee to avoid an evidentiary hearing before the Board and, in lieu thereof, has agreed to enter into this Consent Order, thereby admitting the facts and allegations set forth herein, subject to the terms specified below.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, with consent of Licensee as signified by his joinder herein, does hereby take the following action:

Licensee is hereby **REPRIMANDED**.

1. Within three (3) months from the date of this Order, Licensee shall enroll and successfully complete an AMA Category 1 Continuing Medical Education course in the area of Medical Ethics. Following completion of the course, Licensee shall submit to the Board's Compliance Officer documentary proof of successful completion.
2. Licensee shall obey all federal, state and local laws, and all rules and regulations governing the practice of medicine. Any further acts of misconduct may result in further action.
3. Licensee expressly agrees he will not seek an appearance before the Board prior to the completion of the terms of this Order and, further, agrees the terms of the Order, once executed, will not be reconsidered.
4. Licensee understands and expressly acknowledges that, should Licensee challenge or dispute any provision or statement in this agreement during the Board approval process, this Consent Order will automatically be rendered null and void, formal charges will be brought, and this matter shall be set for a full evidentiary hearing at the convenience of the Board.
5. Licensee shall reimburse the Board for all costs incurred in relation to the pending matter pursuant to Miss. Code Ann., § 73-25-30. Licensee shall be advised of the total assessment by separate written

notification and shall tender to the Board a certified check or money order made payable to the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, on or before forty (40) days from the date the assessment is mailed to Licensee via U.S. Mail to Licensee's current mailing address.

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.

Licensee understands that he may participate in the Board meeting scheduled for July 16, 2026, via zoom or other virtual platform, at which time the Board will consider approval of this Consent Order. Licensee further acknowledges that he may be required to personally appear before the Board on a scheduled hearing date to answer any questions which the Board may have.

Should this Consent Order not be accepted by the Board, it is agreed that presentation to, and consideration by the Board of, this Consent Order and other documents and matters pertaining thereto, including Licensee's answers to questions, shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Board or any of its members from participation in any further proceedings. Should the Board hereafter receive documented evidence of Licensee violating any of the terms of this Consent Order, or of any further actions(s) taken related to the facts and terms stated herein, the Board shall have the right, following a full evidentiary

hearing, to revoke the medical license of Licensee, suspend it for a time deemed proper by the Board, or take any other action determined as necessary by the Board.

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 National Practitioners Data Bank (NPDB), the Mississippi Department of Health (MSDH), the Federation of State Medical Boards, the Office of the Inspector General, United States Department of Health and Human Services (OIG-HHS), the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, the Mississippi Division of Medicaid, the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy, and the Mississippi State Medical Association (MSMA). The Board makes no representation as to action, if any, which any other agency or jurisdiction 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., § 73-25-27, 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, **JOHN MARLEY BERNARD, M.D.**, nevertheless, hereby waives his right to notice and a formal adjudication of charges and authorizes the Board to enter an order accepting this Consent Order.

[INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK; SIGNATURE TO FOLLOW]

EXECUTED, this the 18th day of June, 2026.



John Marley Bernard, M.D.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED, this the 15th day of July, 2026,
by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.



Roderick Givens, M.D.
Board President