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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE
CASE NO. 2137

IN RE: THE LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY HELD BY WALTER STEIN, M.D., LICENSE NO. 33088, P.O BOX 6109 WYOMISSING, PA 19610

AGREED ORDER

Come now the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure (hereafter "the Board"), acting by and through its Inquiry Panel B, and Walter Stein, M.D. (hereafter "the licensee"), and, based upon their mutual desire to resolve this pending investigation without an evidentiary hearing, hereby ENTER INTO the following **AGREED ORDER**:

STIPULATIONS OF FACT

The parties stipulate the following facts, which serve as the factual bases for this Agreed Order:

1. At all relevant times, Walter Stein, M.D. was licensed by the Board to practice medicine within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
2. The licensee's medical specialty is anesthesiology.
3. The licensee is also licensed by the Pennsylvania Board of Medicine ("Pennsylvania Board").
4. On or about July 6, 2023, the Pennsylvania Board issued a Consent Agreement and Order against the licensee's Pennsylvania medical license, alleging the licensee issued a medical marijuana certification to himself.
5. The Pennsylvania Consent Agreement and Order imposed the following conditions on the licensee:
 - a. The licensee shall pay a CIVIL PENALTY of \$2,500.00;
 - b. The licensee shall receive a PUBLIC REPRIMAND; and

- c. The licensee shall attend and successfully complete at least twenty (20) hours of remedial education on ethics, ten (10) of which must consist of AMA PRA Category 1 activities.
6. On or about September 27, 2023, the Board received notice of the Pennsylvania Board action via a letter from the licensee's counsel, Wesley Rish. The licensee did not report the disciplinary action taken by the Pennsylvania Board within ten days of the July 6, 2023 Consent Agreement and Order as required by 201 KAR 9:081(9)(2)(a)(2). Further, the licensee did not provide this Board a copy of the order issued by the Pennsylvania Board within ten days of the July 6, 2023 Consent Agreement and Order.
7. The licensee agreed to enter into this Agreed Order, in lieu of the issuance of a Complaint.

STIPULATED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The parties stipulate the following Conclusions of Law, which serve as the legal bases for this Agreed Order:

1. The licensee's Kentucky medical license is subject to regulation and discipline by the Board.
2. Based upon the Stipulations of Fact, the licensee has engaged in conduct which violates the provisions of KRS 311.595(12) and (17). Accordingly, there are legal grounds for the parties to enter into this Agreed Order.
3. Pursuant to KRS 311.591(6) and 201 KAR 9:082, the parties may fully and finally resolve this pending investigation without an evidentiary hearing by entering into an informal resolution such as this Agreed Order.

AGREED ORDER

Based upon the foregoing Stipulations of Fact and Stipulated Conclusions of Law, and, based upon their mutual desire to fully and finally resolve this pending investigation without an evidentiary hearing, the parties hereby ENTER INTO the following **AGREED ORDER**:

1. The license to practice medicine held by Walker Stein, M.D., is hereby PLACED ON PROBATION FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS, with that period of probation to become effective immediately upon the filing of this Agreed Order.
2. During the effective period of this Agreed Order, the licensee's medical license SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS:
 - a. Pursuant to KRS 311.565(1)(v), the licensee SHALL submit payment of a FINE in the amount of \$1,000.00, within three (3) months of the filing of this Agreed Order;
 - b. The licensee SHALL provide the Board documentation that he completed the twenty (20) hours of remedial education on ethics required in Pennsylvania's Consent Agreement and Order within three (3) months of the completion thereof; and
 - c. The licensee SHALL NOT violate any provision of KRS 311.595 and/or 311.597.
3. Upon verification of full payment of the fine in the amount of \$1,000.00 and receipt of the CME documentation of completion, the Board agrees to terminate this Agreed Order.
4. The licensee expressly agrees that if he should violate any term or condition of this Agreed Order, the licensee's practice will constitute an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, as provided in KRS 311.592 and 13B.125. The parties further agree that if the Board should receive information that he has violated any term or condition of this Agreed Order, the Panel Chair is authorized by law to enter an Emergency Order of Suspension or Restriction immediately upon a finding of probable cause that a violation has occurred, after an *ex parte* presentation of the relevant facts by the Board's General Counsel or Assistant General Counsel. If the Panel Chair should issue such an Emergency Order, the parties agree and stipulate that a violation of any term or condition of this Agreed Order would render the licensee's practice an immediate danger to the health, welfare and safety of patients and the general public, pursuant to KRS 311.592 and 13B.125; accordingly, the only relevant question for any emergency hearing conducted pursuant to

KRS 13B.125 would be whether the licensee violated a term or condition of this Agreed Order.

4. The licensee understands and agrees that any violation of the terms of this Agreed Order would provide a legal basis for additional disciplinary action, including revocation, pursuant to KRS 311.595(13).

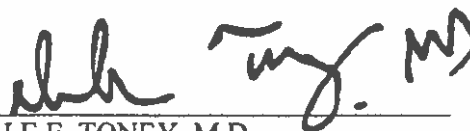
SO AGREED on this 5th day of December, 2023.


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