BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE IN THE MATTER OF PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE

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SAMUEL MARK SHOR, M.D.

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Samuel Mark Shor, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of License No. 27626, issued May 9, 2020, for the practice of medicine in the State of Mississippi;

WHEREAS, on October 23, 2024, the Virginia Board of Medicine, hereinafter referred to as the "Virginia Board," ordered the Reprimand of Licensee's Virginia Medical License and placed it on Probation for violations of Virginia Code § 54.1-2915(A)(3) (unprofessional conduct) based on intentional or negligent conduct in the practice of any branch of the healing arts that causes or is likely to cause injury to a patient or patients; which is grounds for disciplinary action. The misconduct included failing to adequately advise the patient, obtain informed consent, and engaging in a substandard course of treatment;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Subsection (9) of Section 73-25-29, Mississippi Code Annotated, the aforementioned actions by the Virgina Board constitute action against Licensee's ability to practice in another jurisdiction, grounds for which the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure; hereinafter, referred to as the "Board", may 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 conditions on his license to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi.

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NOW, THEREFORE, the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, with consent of Licensee as signified by his joinder herein, does hereby formally accept the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Licensee's Mississippi medical license is REPRIMANDED.
- 2. Licensee's Mississippi medical license is placed on PROBATION for 3 years.
- 3. Licensee will, within 30 days of the entry of this Consent Order, attest in writing to the Executive Director of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure that all patients whom he treats for chronic Lyme disease and associated tick-borne illnesses are provided with information from the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on chronic symptoms of Lyme disease and associated tickborne illnesses.
- 4. Licensee will, within 30 days of the date of entry of this Consent Order, attest in writing to the Executive Director of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure that he will obtain signed, informed consent from each of his patients before the initiation of pharmacologic treatment of chronic Lyme disease and associated tick-borne illnesses and then yearly thereafter. The signed, informed consent must include language that discusses alternatives, including the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's position on the treatment of chronic Lyme disease and associated tick-borne illnesses.

- 5. In the Board's discretion, Licensee shall be reinstated without restriction at the completion of the probationary period, or the Board may schedule an informal conference to consider Licensee's status.
- 6. Licensee shall not seek relief from this Order until his Virginia Medical License is reinstated.
- 7. Licensee shall obey all federal, state, and local laws, and all rules and regulations governing the practice of medicine. Any further acts of misconduct will result in further action.
- 8. Licensee shall reimburse the Board for all costs incurred in relation to the pending matter pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-30, said amount not to exceed \$10,000. 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.

Should the Board hereafter receive documented evidence of Licensee violating any of the terms and conditions of this Consent Order, the Board shall have the right, pursuant to 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.

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 further acknowledges that he may be required to personally appear before the Board on the 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 of this Consent Order and other documents and matters pertaining thereto by the Board, 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.

Licensee understands and expressly acknowledges that, should Licensee challenge or dispute any provision or statement in this agreement during the Board approval process, or if the Board does not accept the terms as set forth herein, this Consent Order will automatically be rendered null and void, and this matter shall be set for a full evidentiary hearing at the next regularly scheduled meeting of 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 (FSMB), the Office of the Inspector General, United States Department of Health and Human Services (OIG-HHS), the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), the Mississippi Division of Medicaid, the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy, and the Mississippi State Medical Association (MSMA). The Board makes no

representation as to what action, if any, which any other agency or jurisdiction may take in response to this Consent 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, **SAMUEL MARK SHOR, 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

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2025.

Samuel Mark Shor, M.D.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED this the 20th day of Much, 2025, by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.

Michelle Y. Owens, M.D.

Board President

Mississippi Code 1972 (2024)

Title 73 - PROFESSIONS AND VOCATIONS (§§

73-1-1 — 73-79-1)

Chapter 25 - PHYSICIANS (§§ 73-25-1 — 73-25-

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GENERAL PROVISIONS (§§ 73-25-1 — 73-25- 39)

Section 73-25-29 - Nonissuance, suspension, revocation, restriction, denial of reinstatement, or denial of renewal of license; grounds

Universal Citation: MS Code § 73-25-29 (2024)

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The grounds for the nonissuance, suspension, revocation or restriction of a license or the denial of reinstatement or renewal of a license are:

- (1) Habitual personal use of narcotic drugs, or any other drug having addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability.
- **(2)** Habitual use of intoxicating liquors, or any beverage, to an extent which affects professional competency.
- **(3)** Administering, dispensing or prescribing any narcotic drug, or any other drug having addiction-forming or addiction-sustaining liability otherwise than in the course of legitimate professional practice.
- **(4)** Conviction of violation of any federal or state law regulating the possession, distribution or use of any narcotic drug or any drug considered a controlled substance under state or federal law, a certified copy of the conviction order or judgment rendered by the trial court being prima facie evidence thereof, notwithstanding the pendency of any appeal.
- (5) Procuring, or attempting to procure, or aiding in, an abortion that is not medically indicated.
- **(6)** Conviction of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, a certified copy of the conviction order or judgment rendered by the trial court being prima facie evidence thereof, notwithstanding the pendency of any appeal.

- (7) Obtaining or attempting to obtain a license by fraud or deception.
- **(8)** Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to:
 - (a) Practicing medicine under a false or assumed name or impersonating another practitioner, living or dead.
 - **(b)** Knowingly performing any act which in any way assists an unlicensed person to practice medicine.
 - **(c)** Making or willfully causing to be made any flamboyant claims concerning the licensee's professional excellence.
 - **(d)** Being guilty of any dishonorable or unethical conduct likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public.
 - **(e)** Obtaining a fee as personal compensation or gain from a person on fraudulent representation of a disease or injury condition generally considered incurable by competent medical authority in the light of current scientific knowledge and practice can be cured or offering, undertaking, attempting or agreeing to cure or treat the same by a secret method, which he refuses to divulge to the board upon request.
 - **(f)** Use of any false, fraudulent or forged statement or document, or the use of any fraudulent, deceitful, dishonest or immoral practice in connection with any of the licensing requirements, including the signing in his professional capacity any certificate that is known to be false at the time he makes or signs such certificate.
 - **(g)** Failing to identify a physician's school of practice in all professional uses of his name by use of his earned degree or a description of his school of practice.
- (9) The refusal of a licensing authority of another state or jurisdiction to issue or renew a license, permit or certificate to practice medicine in that jurisdiction or the revocation, suspension or other restriction imposed on a license, permit or certificate issued by such licensing authority which prevents or restricts practice in that jurisdiction, a certified copy of the disciplinary order or action taken by the other state or jurisdiction being prima facie evidence thereof, notwithstanding the pendency of any appeal.
- (10) Surrender of a license or authorization to practice medicine in another state or jurisdiction or surrender of membership on any medical staff or in any medical or professional association or society while under disciplinary investigation by any of those authorities or bodies for acts or conduct similar to acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for action as defined in this section.
- (11) Final sanctions imposed by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General or any successor federal agency or office, based upon a finding of incompetency, gross misconduct or failure to meet professionally recognized standards of health care; a certified copy of the notice of final sanction being prima facie evidence thereof. As used in this paragraph, the term "final sanction" means the written notice to a physician from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Officer of Inspector General or any successor federal agency or office, which implements the exclusion.
- **(12)** Failure to furnish the board, its investigators or representatives information legally requested by the board.
- (13) Violation of any provision(s) of the Medical Practice Act or the rules and regulations of the board or of any order, stipulation or agreement with the board.
- **(14)** Violation(s) of the provisions of Sections 41-121-1 through 41-121-9 relating to deceptive advertisement by health care practitioners.
- **(15)** Performing or inducing an abortion on a woman in violation of any provision of Sections 41-41-131 through 41-41-145.

- (16) Performing an abortion on a pregnant woman after determining that the unborn human individual that the pregnant woman is carrying has a detectable fetal heartbeat as provided in Section 41-41-34.1.
- (17) Violation(s) of any provision of Title 41, Chapter 141, Mississippi Code of 1972.

In addition to the grounds specified above, the board shall be authorized to suspend the license of any licensee for being out of compliance with an order for support, as defined in Section 93-11-153. The procedure for suspension of a license for being out of compliance with an order for support, and the procedure for the reissuance or reinstatement of a license suspended for that purpose, and the payment of any fees for the reissuance or reinstatement of a license suspended for that purpose, shall be governed by Section 93-11-157 or 93-11-163, as the case may be. If there is any conflict between any provision of Section 93-11-157 or 93-11-163 and any provision of this chapter, the provisions of Section 93-11-163, as the case may be, shall control.

A physician who provides a written certification as authorized under the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act and in compliance with rules and regulations adopted thereunder shall not be subject to any disciplinary action under this section solely due to providing the written certification.

Codes, 1942, § 8893.1; Laws, 1964, ch. 430, § 2; Laws, 1973, ch. 307, § 10; Laws, 1978, ch. 351, § 1; Laws, 1987, ch. 497; Laws, 1989, ch. 314, § 1; Laws, 1996, ch. 507, § 57; Laws, 1997, ch. 564, § 1; Laws, 2012, ch. 409, § 9, eff. 7/1/2012.

Amended by Laws, 2023, ch. 303, HB 1125, § 9, eff. 2/28/2023.

Amended by Laws, 2022, ch. 303, SB 2095,§ 72, eff. 2/2/2022.

Amended by Laws, 2019, ch. 349, SB 2116,§ 2, eff. 7/1/2019.

Amended by Laws, 2016, ch. 419, HB 489, 12, eff. 7/1/2016.

Amended by Laws, 2014, ch. 506, HB 1400, 10, eff. 7/1/2014.