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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY :
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :
 : FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
GEORGE F. KNIGHT, M.D., :
RESPONDENT. :

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 13 MED 015

The parties to this action for the purpose of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

George F. Knight, M.D.
2095 Illinois Avenue NE
St. Petersburg, FL 33703-3423

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
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The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Medical Examining Board (Board). The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent George F. Knight, M.D., (dob April 11, 1953), is licensed in the State of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 50056-20, first issued on January 19, 2007, with registration expiring on October 31, 2011. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 2095 Illinois Avenue NE, St. Petersburg, Florida 33703-3423.

2. On December 6, 2012, the Colorado Medical Board notified Respondent that Panel A of the Colorado Medical Board had voted to administer discipline in the form of a letter of admonition against Respondent for his alleged failure to identify subdural hematomas that were visible in the initial CT studies of the patient's brain. A true and correct copy of the

Colorado Board's letter is attached to this document as Exhibit A. Exhibit A is incorporated into this document by reference.

3. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent George F. Knight, M.D., engaged in unprofessional conduct pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.02(2)(q) by having discipline taken by another jurisdiction against his license to practice medicine and surgery.

3. As a result of the above conduct, George F. Knight, M.D., is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent George F. Knight, M.D., is REPRIMANDED.

3. Within 90 days from the date of this Order, George F. Knight, M.D., shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$100.00.

4. Payment of costs shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and sent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935
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5. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to timely submit payment of costs as ordered, Respondent's license (no. 50056-20) may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with payment of the costs.

6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

by: 
A Member of the Board

8/14/13
Date



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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

December 6, 2012
Case No. 2012-3057-A

George F. Knight, M.D

Dear Dr. Knight:

Inquiry Panel A of the Colorado Medical Board ("Panel") has concluded its inquiry regarding your role in the care and treatment of patient L.G. It was the Panel's decision not to commence with formal proceedings against your license to practice medicine. However, the Panel did vote to administer disciplinary action to you in the form of this letter of admonition.

Patient L.G., who had a history of stroke, fell from his wheelchair and lacerated his forehead on August 2, 2008. Later that day patient L.G. underwent a C.T. scan of his brain, which you interpreted. Although there were small bilateral subdural hematomas visible in the initial film study of patient L.G.'s brain, you failed to identify them in your report.

After a review of all the information in this matter, the Panel found that your care and treatment of patient L.G. fell below the generally accepted standards of practice for a radiologist, constituting a violation of section 12-36-117 of the Colorado Revised Statutes. Specifically, you failed to identify subdural hematomas that were visible in the initial C.T. studies of patient L.G.'s brain.

By this letter, the Panel hereby admonishes you and cautions you that complaints disclosing any repetition of such practice may lead to the commencement of formal disciplinary proceedings against your license to practice medicine, wherein this letter of admonition may be entered into evidence as aggravation.

You are advised that it is your right to have this case reviewed in an administrative proceeding. To do so, you must submit a written request within twenty (20) days after receipt of this letter. In your request, you must clearly ask that formal disciplinary proceedings be initiated against you to adjudicate the propriety of the

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EXHIBIT A

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conduct upon which this letter of admonition is based. If such request is timely made, this letter of admonition will be deemed vacated and the matter will be processed by means of a formal complaint and hearing. This is in accordance with the provisions of the Medical Practice Act governing the discipline of licensed physicians.

Sincerely,

FOR THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD
INQUIRY PANEL A



J. Dale Utt, D.O.
Chair

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