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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

MANUEL M. AQUINO, M.D.,

Respondent

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION

On November 15, 1990, the Medical Examining Board issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter. By the terms of the board's order, respondent was required in part to complete within six months a two day program of continuing education in the area of electrocardiograms and interpreting electrocardiograms. The board's Order also required that Dr. Aquino "have discussions with Richard Roberts, M.D., of Madison, Wisconsin to address the importance of complete medical records and shall complete whatever readings Dr. Roberts shall assign regarding medical records." By letter dated February 20, 1991, the board was notified by James Gutglass, attorney for Dr. Aquino, that Dr. Aquino had been called to active duty to serve in the Persian Gulf. Mr. Gutglass therefore requested an "extension of time in which Dr. Aquino must complete his CME courses." Responding to that request by letter dated February 28, 1991, Attorney John R. Zwieg stated "I certainly have no objection to the request made by Mr. Gutglass and suggest that the extension be written such that Dr. Aquino must take the course within a stated number of months after he is discharged from active duty and returned to this country." [emphasis provided]. The board's Order Granting Extension, issued on April 1, 1991, provided for extension of the deadline for completing the CME requirement until December 31, 1991. Because the request did not seek an extension of the deadline for Dr. Aquino's discussions with Dr. Roberts, the board's Order addressed only the actual request made.

On January 16, 1992, the board received a letter from Mr. Zwieg indicating that he had discussions with Dr. Aquino by which it became apparent that the original request for extension was intended to include a request that the deadline for discussions with Dr. Roberts also be extended. In the January 16 conversation, Dr. Aquino requested a further extension of the time in which to hold those discussions until Dr. Roberts return from a month-long visit to Australia. The projected date for Dr. Roberts' return is February 18, 1992. The board considered the new request at its meeting of January 23, 1992.

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Based upon Dr. Aquino's petition, and other information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that paragraph three of the Final Decision and Order of the board in this matter dated November 15, 1990, is hereby amended to read as follows:

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that not later than April 18, 1992, Manuel M. Aquino, M.D. shall have discussions with Richard Roberts, M.D., of Madison, Wisconsin, to address the importance of medical records and shall complete whatever readings Dr. Roberts shall assign regarding medical records.

Dated this 31 day of January, 1992

STATE OF WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

B. Ann Neviaser

Secretary

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