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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

MICHAEL D. COLBURN, M.D.,

ORDER GRANTING STAY

Respondent

On June 24, 1998, the Medical Examining Board issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter. By the terms of the board's order, respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in Wisconsin was suspended for a period of not less than five years. Respondent was permitted to petition for a three month stay of the suspension with provision for subsequent three month stays of the suspension contingent upon compliance with a number of conditions and limitations on the license. Among other conditions, Dr. Colburn was required to enroll and successfully participate in a drug and alcohol treatment program satisfactory to the board, including participation in individual or group therapy on at least a weekly basis; to participate in AA or NA meetings at least once per week; to submit to drug and alcohol screens on a twice-weekly basis; and to be responsible for submission of quarterly practice and therapy reports.

On January 19, 2000, the board considered Dr. Colburn's initial request for a three month stay of the suspension of his license. By its Order dated January 26, 2000, the board granted that request.

On May 17, 2000, the board granted Dr. Colburn's request for a further three month stay of the suspension of his license.

On July 19, 2000, the board considered evidence that there had been nothing received by the board's monitor indicating that any of the requirements of the limited license had been met. The board therefore lifted the stay on that date.

On August 24, 2000, the board considered Dr. Colburn's petition for a renewal of the stay of the suspension of his license. Based upon that petition, and upon evidence of his having come into compliance, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the suspension of the license of Michael D. Colburn, M.D., is hereby stayed for a period of three months. Dr. Colburn may petition for further stays of the suspension, which shall be granted conditioned upon his having complied with the limitations on his license during the preceding three month period.

Dated this 7th day of September, 2000.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

Darold A. Treffert, M.D.

Secretary