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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

NICHOLAS F. GEIMER, M.D.,

Respondent

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION

On January 29, 1999, 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, with provision for successive three-month stays of the suspension conditioned upon compliance with certain conditions and limitations on the license. Among these were that respondent participate in a recognized program for the treatment of chemical dependency, that he participate in psychotherapy a minimum of four times each month, and that he participate in program of random witnessed monitoring for controlled substances and alcohol in his blood or urine on a frequency of not less than four times per month.

By letter dated March 8, 1999, respondent requested a further three month stay of the suspension of his license, and the board granted the request by its Order dated June 2, 1999.

On February 24, 2000, the board considered evidence that Dr. Geimer had failed to request a further stay of the suspension of his license since the last previous stay was granted on June 2, 1999. Moreover, the board was notified that upon receipt of the result of drug testing carried out in the intervening period, it was found that respondent had failed to submit to weekly drug screens as required by the board's Order, and that a screen conducted on February 11, 2000, was positive for opiates. Dr. Geimer appeared before the board on February 24, along with Attorney Franklyn Gimbel, in support of his petition for a further stay of the suspension of his license, and the board considered the matter on that date.

Based upon respondent's petition, and upon all other information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the stay of the suspension of Dr. Geimer's license is extended for a period of three months. Dr. Geimer may apply for additional three month extensions of the stay, which shall be granted upon acceptable demonstration of full compliance with each of the conditions and limitations set forth in the board's Final Decision and Order dated January 29, 1999.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that based upon its failure to comply with the minimum drug screening requirement established by the board's Order, the board hereby withdraws its approval of Cedar Creek Counseling Centers as Dr. Geimer's outpatient treatment provider. Dr. Geimer shall, at the earliest possible date consistent with uninterrupted continuity of his treatment, enroll in a treatment program at a different treatment facility acceptable to the board.

Dated this 3rd day of March, 2000.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

by _____

Ronald E. Grossman, M.D.

Secretary