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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF
THE APPLICATION OF

ROBERT E. FARNER, M.D.

Applicant

ORDER DENYING RENEWAL

On February 2, 2002, Robert E. Farner, M.D. (applicant) filed his application for a license to practice medicine and surgery in Wisconsin. The board and Dr. Farner thereafter entered into a Stipulation, by which the board agreed to grant, and Dr. Farner agreed to accept, a limited license to practice medicine and surgery in Wisconsin. The term of the license was for three months with provision for additional three month renewals of the license upon evidence of compliance with limitations on the license. These include a requirement that Dr. Farner practice only in a group or institutional setting approved in advance by the board or its agent, that he have a chaperone immediately present any time that applicant performs a physical examination on a female patient, and that he participate in individual therapy sessions for the first year of the limited license with a psychiatrist or psychologist approved by the board upon a schedule as recommended by the therapist, but not less than once weekly. Dr. Farner is also required to provide for submission of formal written reports prepared by the therapist and the administrator of his practice group on a quarterly basis, as directed by the Department Monitor.

On November 20, 2002, the board granted Dr. Farner's request for a three month renewal of the license.

On February 19, 2003, the board considered information indicating that Dr. Farner was not in compliance with the limitations on his license. The board also considered correspondence from Dr. Farner indicating that, due to personal circumstances, he was unable to comply with the board's Order. Based upon all information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the petition of Robert F. Farner, M.D., for renewal of his limited license is denied, and the license is hereby suspended.

Dated this 26th day of February, 2003.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

Alfred L. Franger, M.D.

Secretary