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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY	:	
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
ANTHONY J. LINN, M.D.	:	(LS 0305072MED)
RESPONDENT.	:	

Division of Enforcement
(00 MED 062)

The parties to this proceeding for purposes of sec. 227.53, Stats. are:

Anthony J. Linn, M.D.
2388 North Lake Drive
Milwaukee, Wi. 53211

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board
1400 E. Washington Ave.
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
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A Complaint in the above-captioned case is pending before the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board. The Board received a Stipulation submitted by the parties in resolution of this matter. The Stipulation, a copy of which is attached hereto, was executed by Anthony J. Linn, M.D., personally, and by his attorney, Donald R. Peterson, and by Pamela M. Stach, attorney for the Department of Regulation and Licensing, Division of Enforcement. Based upon the Stipulation of the parties, the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Anthony J. Linn, M.D., Respondent herein, of 2388 North Lake Drive, Milwaukee, Wi. 53211, whose date of birth is September 18, 1949, is currently registered to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Wisconsin under license number 23131 which was granted on July 11, 1980.

2. Respondent specializes in the practice of general surgery.
3. On March 3, 1999, a 39 year old female patient AB presented at respondent's office on referral from her primary care physician for evaluation and possible surgical treatment of a cystic lesion in the right side of the thyroid.
4. Patient AB had history of a partial thyroidectomy in 1987 due to an adenoma, normal TSH levels in 1987 and complaints of "a lump" in her throat of approximately one and a half months duration.
5. An ultrasound performed on February 24, 1999, on the order of the patient's primary care physician and later reviewed by Respondent, revealed a complex cystic lesion of 1.8cm at its greatest diameter with papillary projection within the lumen and increased vascularity. Papillary carcinoma was a possible consideration.
6. Clinical examination by Respondent on March 3, revealed an enlargement of both lobes of the thyroid which Respondent elected to treat with Synthroid 0.1mg daily for suppression therapy for four to six weeks and then reevaluate. Respondent did not note the size of the nodule in his records.
7. On April 21, 1999, the patient returned for reevaluation by Respondent when she noted no improvement in her sensation of a "lump" when swallowing.
8. Respondent noted on physical examination that the nodule in the right thyroid had decreased in size since the suppression therapy had commenced. Respondent did not note the size of the nodule in his records.
9. Respondent did not order a repeat ultrasound at the office visit of April 21, 1999.
10. Respondent's failure to order a repeat ultrasound at the April 21, 1999 office visit prevented objective evaluation of the size of the nodule by comparison with the previous ultrasound which would allow him to make the assessment that the suppression therapy had been successful in reducing the size of the nodule.
11. Respondent maintained the patient on suppression therapy with recall in two months.
12. On September 2, 1999, Patient AB was seen by Sylvia Meltzer, M.D. for evaluation of the patient's continuing symptoms of a sensation of a lump in her throat.
13. Dr. Meltzer diagnosed a complex cystic lesion with papillary projections of unclear etiology and referred the patient to James Cerletty, M.D, an endocrinologist for evaluation.
14. Dr. Cerletty saw Patient AB on December 6, 1999, at which time he noted the patient had a palpable nodule of approximately 2 cm in greatest size in the right lobe.

15. Dr. Cerletty recommended removal of the nodule and referred the patient to Richard Cattey, M.D., a surgeon for evaluation and possible removal of the nodule.
16. Following evaluation of the patient, the right nodule was surgically removed on January 19, 2000.
17. Final pathology indicated a papillary carcinoma of the thyroid measuring 1.7 cm with all margins negative.
18. Respondent's conduct as set forth above created the unacceptable risk to the patient of failing to adequately determine the Patient's response to the suppression therapy and delaying the use of other treatment modalities for the patient's condition.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has jurisdiction in this proceeding pursuant to sec. 448.02, Stats.
2. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has the authority to resolve this proceeding by stipulation without an evidentiary hearing pursuant to sec. 227.44(5), Stats.
3. Respondent's conduct as set forth in the Findings of Fact paragraphs 10 and 18 was contrary to sec. 448.03 Stats., and Wis. Adm. Code sec. MED 10.02(2) (h).
4. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has the authority pursuant to sec. 440.22, Stats., to assess the costs of this proceeding against Dr. Linn.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Stipulation of the parties is approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Anthony J. Linn, M.D., shall, within nine months of the effective date of this Order, participate in and successfully complete an educational program in the diagnosis and treatment of thyroid nodules. The course shall include discussion of the various available diagnostic tools, including fine needle biopsies and the use of ultrasounds. The course shall also include identification and discussion of the various modalities available for treatment of benign and malignant thyroid nodules and appropriate documentation of clinical findings, test results, diagnosis and treatment recommendations, including surgical intervention. Successful completion of the course entitled "Surgery of the Thyroid and Parathyroid Glands" offered through the continuing education department of Harvard Medical School will be accepted as meeting this requirement. A copy of the course description is attached as Exhibit A.

Dr. Linn will be responsible for all of the costs of attending the educational program and arranging for submission of the proof of completion of the course. All such costs shall be paid within thirty days of receipt of a bill for the program.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Dr. Linn shall submit proof of successful completion of the course to the Medical Examining Board within 15 days of course completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that certifications or other documents required to be filed with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board be filed with the:

Department Monitor
Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
P.O. Box 8935
1400 East Washington Ave
Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8935

All certifications or other documents required to be filed with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board will be deemed to be filed with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board upon receipt by the Department Monitor.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Anthony J. Linn, M.D., will appear before the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board, if an appearance is requested by the Board, at the conclusion of the education program to establish that he has complied with all of the terms of this Final Decision and Order. If such an appearance is requested, Dr. Linn shall be notified in writing by the Board.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Anthony J. Linn, M.D. shall pay costs in this matter of \$750 payable to the Department of Regulation and Licensing, 1400 East Washington Avenue, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8935 within ninety (90) days of the date of this Final Decision and Order.

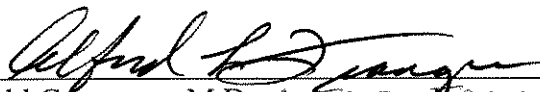
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to sec. 448.02(4), Stats., if the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board determines that there is probable cause to believe that Dr. Linn has violated the terms of this Final Decision and Order of the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board, the Board may order that the license of Dr. Linn to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin be summarily suspended pending investigation of the alleged violation.

The rights of a party aggrieved by this Final Decision and Order to petition the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board for rehearing and to petition for judicial review are set forth in the

attached "Notice of Appeal Information".

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, this 22nd day of October, 2003.

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD


~~Ronald Grossman, M.D.~~ ALFRED FRANGER, M.D.
Secretary



HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL

DEPARTMENT OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

SURGERY OF THE THYROID AND PARATHYROID GLANDS

November 7-8, 2003

at the
Meltzer Auditorium, 3rd floor
Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary
Boston, MA

Course Directors
Gregory W. Randolph, M.D.

Randall D. Gaz, M.D.

Department of Otolaryngology
Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary

and
Department of General Surgery
Massachusetts General Hospital

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This course is intended to be a two-day comprehensive review and update of surgery of the thyroid and parathyroid glands. Preoperative work up of both thyroid and parathyroid disease will be discussed with an emphasis on fine needle aspiration and preoperative parathyroid localization imaging options. Surgical techniques will be reviewed, including recurrent laryngeal nerve monitoring, parathyroid identification and preservation, and intraoperative PTH analysis during parathyroid surgery. Molecular genetic analysis for medullary carcinoma and comprehensive review of our genetic understanding of hyperparathyroidism will be presented. Surgical philosophies regarding bilateral thyroid surgery, surgical treatment of the neck, and surgical treatment of invasive tracheal disease will be presented. Recognition and treatment of postoperative complications and new advances in their treatment, including thyroplasty for recurrent laryngeal nerve paralysis, will be reviewed. Panel discussions will be held centered on the management of difficult thyroid and parathyroid cases and will invite audience participation. A syllabus will be provided.

At the conclusion of this course participants will be skilled in the work up of the thyroid nodule and preoperative work up of the patient with hyperparathyroidism and will be familiar with techniques of parathyroid preservation, recurrent laryngeal nerve identification and monitoring, and intraoperative PTH analysis. Participants will be aware of the management options available in treatment of invasive thyroid disease and vocal cord paralysis. Participants will be versed in the various techniques available for parathyroidectomy, including bilateral exploration, unilateral exploration, minimal access surgery and endoscopic parathyroidectomy.

Attendance Limited

Harvard Medical School is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Harvard Medical School designates this educational activity for a maximum of 18 category 1 credits towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those credits that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Tuition Fee - \$475 (U.S.). Reduced Fee for Residents and Fellows in Training (with a letter of verification from Department Chairman) - \$225 (U.S.). All foreign payments must be made by a draft on a United States bank, if paying by check, make it payable to Harvard Medical School and mail with the completed registration form to: Harvard MED-CME, P.O. Box 825, Boston, MA 02117-0825. If paying by credit card, fax the completed registration form to (617) 384-8686, or mail it to the above address. Telephone registrations are not accepted. Inquiries should be directed to the above address, made by phone: (617) 384-8600, Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time), or by e-mail: hms-cme@hms.harvard.edu. Upon receipt of registration a confirmation letter will be mailed to the address listed on the form.

ONLINE INFORMATION: REFUND POLICY:

To register or view course information online, visit our home page: www.cme.hms.harvard.edu
A handling fee of \$50 is deducted for cancellation. Refund requests must be received by mail or fax one week prior to the course. No refunds will be made thereafter.

COURSE LOCATION:

All sessions will be held at the Meltzer Auditorium, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, 243 Charles Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Hotel rooms in Boston are limited. You are urged to make your reservations early. A limited number of rooms have been reserved at the Holiday Inn Government Center (Telephone: 617-742-7630) until October 7, 2003. Please specify that you are enrolled in this course to receive a reduced room rate. A map of Boston listing local hotels will be sent with your confirmation of enrollment. For additional housing assistance call Boston Reservations at (617) 332-4188.

TRAVEL:

For information about reduced airfare, call Harvard MED-CME at (617) 384-8600, Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time).

SURGERY OF THE THYROID AND PARATHYROID GLANDS Class #231688

November 7-8, 2003

Name LINN ANTHONY JAMES Residents'/Fellows in Training: \$225 (U.S.) Tuition Fee: \$475 (U.S.)
Degree MD
Mailing Address 2388 N LAKE DR MIL WI 53211
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Professional School Attended MEDICAL COLLEGE WISCONSIN Year of Graduation 1975

Profession SURGEON

Principal Specialty GENERAL SURGERY Board Certified: Yes ☒ No ☐

Institutional Affiliation ST MARYS HOSPITAL MIL WI

*A letter of verification from Department Chairman must accompany application for reduced fee.

Form of Payment (please check one):

☒ Check is enclosed: Please make your check payable to Harvard Medical School and mail it with this registration form to:
Harvard MED-CME, P.O. Box 825, Boston, MA 02117-0825

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EXHIBIT A

SURGERY OF THE THYROID AND PARATHYROID GLANDS
Meltzer Auditorium, 3rd floor, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary
Friday, November 7, 2003

8:00 - 8:05	Welcome	Joseph B. Nadol, Jr., M.D.
8:05 - 8:15	Course Introduction and History	Gregory W. Randolph, M.D.
8:15 - 8:45	Management of the Thyroid Nodule	Gilbert H. Daniels, M.D.
8:45 - 9:25	The Kocher Lecture: Thyroid Surgical Anatomy Lecture: Pearls and Pitfalls in Thyroidectomy	Malcolm Wheeler, M.D.
9:30 - 10:00	Break	
10:00 - 10:30	Capillary Carcinoma: Patterns of Presentation and Recurrence	Ian D. Hay, M.D., Ph.D.
10:30 - 11:00	Impact of Lymph Node Metastasis on Prognosis in Papillary Carcinoma	Shiro Noguchi, M.D.
11:00 - 11:30	Management of Airway Invasion	Hermes Grillo, M.D.
11:30 - 12:30	Lunch with Professors	
12:30 - 1:00	Well Differentiated Thyroid Carcinoma Follow Up: Ablation, Scanning, Suppression	Douglas Ross, M.D.
1:00 - 1:35	When the Scan is Negative: 131 Negative/Thyroglobulin Positive Patients	Martin Schlumberger, M.D.
1:35 - 2:00	Differentiated Thyroid Carcinoma: Is There a Role For External Beam Radiotherapy?	James Brantley, M.D.
2:00 - 2:20	Radiation Induction of Thyroid Carcinoma	R. Michael Tuttle, M.D.
2:20 - 2:40	Chernobyl Molecular Pathology	Geraldine Thomas, Ph.D.
2:40 - 3:00	Break	
3:00 - 3:20	Management of the Neck in Differentiated Thyroid Carcinoma	Jesus E. Medina, M.D.
3:20 - 3:45	Technique of Central Neck Dissection	Douglas Evans, M.D.
3:45 - 4:05	Avoiding Complications During Neck Dissection	Richard L. Fabian, M.D.
4:05 - 4:50	Thyroid Panel	

Moderator: Gregory W. Randolph, M.D.

Panelists: Gilbert H. Daniels, M.D., Douglas Evans, M.D., Randall D. Gaz, M.D., Ian D. Hay, M.D., Ph.D., Jesus E. Medina, M.D., Shiro Noguchi, M.D., Martin Schlumberger, M.D., R. Michael Tuttle, M.D., John C. Watkinson, MSc, MS, FRCS, DLO, Malcolm Wheeler, M.D.

5:00 - 5:00	The Ether Dome Lectures: Surgical Anatomy of the Recurrent Laryngeal Nerve	Gregory W. Randolph, M.D.
	History of Endocrine Surgery	Randall D. Gaz, M.D.

Saturday, November 8, 2003

7:30 - 7:55	Introduction	Gregory W. Randolph, M.D.
7:55 - 8:00	Surgical Indications for Hyperparathyroidism	Henry M. Kronenberg, M.D.
8:00 - 8:35	Genetics of Hyperparathyroidism	Andrew Arnold, M.D.
8:35 - 9:05	Parathyroid Pathology	Ronald DeLellis, M.D.
9:05 - 9:30	Break	
9:30 - 10:10	The Cope Lecture: Parathyroid Surgical Anatomy Lecture: The Surgical Treatment of Multigland Disease	Goran Akerstrom, M.D.
10:10 - 10:40	Uniglandular Approaches in Hyperparathyroidism	Robert A. Sofferman, M.D.
10:40 - 11:10	Parathyroid Exploration: Endoscopic Approach	Jean-Francois Henry, M.D.
11:10 - 11:30	Minimal Access Parathyroid Surgery: Radioprobe	Richard Hodin, M.D.
11:30 - 11:50	PTH During Thyroidectomy - Length of Stay in Total Thyroidectomy	Mark L. Urken, M.D.
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch with Professors	
1:00 - 1:30	Risk Groups in Differentiated Thyroid Carcinoma	John C. Watkinson, MSc, MS, FRCS, DLO
1:30 - 2:00	Reoperative Thyroid Surgery	Janice L. Pasieka, M.D., FRCS
2:00 - 2:30	Medullary Carcinoma of the Thyroid	Samuel A. Wells, Jr., M.D.
2:30 - 3:00	Hurthle Cell Carcinoma	Jeremy Freeman, M.D.
3:00 - 3:20	Break	
3:20 - 4:00	Superior Laryngeal Nerve Surgical Anatomy	Stenn Lennquist, M.D.
4:00 - 4:30	Recurrent Laryngeal Nerve Intraoperative Monitoring	Mehning Dralle, M.D., FRCS
4:30 - 5:00	Pathophysiology of Recurrent Laryngeal Nerve Paralysis	Gayle E. Woodson, M.D.
5:00 - 5:40	Parathyroid Panel	

Moderator: Randall D. Gaz, M.D.

Panelists: Goran Akerstrom, M.D., Henning Dralle, M.D., FRCS, Jean-Francois Henry, M.D., Richard Hodin, M.D., Stenn Lennquist, M.D., Janice L. Pasieka, M.D., FRCS, Gregory W. Randolph, M.D., Robert A. Sofferman, M.D., Samuel A. Wells, Jr., M.D.

5:40 - 6:00	Special International Lecture Treatment for Locally Advanced Thyroid Carcinoma - Brazil Experience	Jacob Kilgerman, M.D.
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FACULTY

Goran Akerstrom, M.D., Professor of Surgery, University Hospital, Uppsala, Sweden	Jesus E. Medina, M.D., Chief and Professor of Otolaryngology, Oklahoma University, Oklahoma City, OK
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Gilbert H. Daniels, M.D., Associate Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School, Co-Director, Thyroid Associates, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA	Janice L. Pasieka, M.D., FRCS, Head, Division of General Surgery, Foothills Medical Center, Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Ronald DeLellis, M.D., Chief of Pathology, Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, RI	Gregory W. Randolph, M.D., Director, General Otolaryngology and Thyroid Clinic, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, MA; Assistant Professor of Otolaryngology and Laryngology, Harvard Medical School
Mehning Dralle, M.D., FRCS, Professor and Chief, Department of General Surgery, University of Halle, Halle, Germany	Douglas Ross, M.D., Associate Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School, Co-Director, Thyroid Associates, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA
Douglas Evans, M.D., Professor of Surgery, Chief Endocrine Tumor Surgery, MD-Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX	Martin Schlumberger, M.D., Chief, Department of Nuclear Medicine and Endocrine Tumors, Institut Gustav Roussy, Cedex, France
Richard L. Fabian, M.D., Associate Professor of Otolaryngology and Laryngology, Harvard Medical School; Director, Head and Neck Surgical Oncology Service, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, MA	Robert A. Sofferman, M.D., Professor and Chief of Otolaryngology, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT
Jeremy Freeman, M.D., Professor, Department of Otolaryngology, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada	Geraldine Thomas, Ph.D., Lecturer in Human Cancer Studies, South West Water Cancer Institute/Swansea Clinical School, Singleton Hospital, Sketty, Swansea, UK
Randall D. Gaz, M.D., Assistant Professor of Surgery, Harvard Medical School; Director of Endocrine Surgery, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA	R. Michael Tuttle, M.D., Assistant Professor of Medicine, Corne School of Medicine and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY
Hermes Grillo, M.D., Professor of Surgery Emeritus, Harvard Medical School; Visiting Surgeon, Division of Thoracic Surgery, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA	Mark L. Urken, M.D., Professor and Chair, Department of Otolaryngology, Mt. Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
Ian D. Hay, M.D., Ph.D., Professor of Medicine, Mayo Medical School, Rochester, MN	John C. Watkinson, MSc, MS, FRCS, DLO, Honorary Senior Lecturer and Consultant Otolaryngologist/Head and Neck and Thyroid Surgeon, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, UK
Jean-Francois Henry, M.D., Professor of Surgery, University Hospital, Department of Endocrine Surgery, Marseille, France	Samuel A. Wells, Jr., M.D., Professor of Surgery, Director, American College of Surgeons Oncology Group, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC
Richard Hodin, M.D., Associate Professor of Surgery, Harvard Medical School; Chief, Endocrine Surgical Service, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA	Malcolm Wheeler, M.D., Professor of Surgery, University of Wales College of Medicine, Cardiff, UK
Jacob Kilgerman, M.D., Director-General, Brazilian National Cancer Institute, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	Gayle E. Woodson, M.D., Department of Otolaryngology, Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, Springfield, IL
Henry M. Kronenberg, M.D., Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Chief, Endocrine Unit, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA	
Stenn Lennquist, M.D., Center for Teaching and Research in Disaster Medicine, University Hospital, Linköping, Sweden	

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BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY :
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :

ANTHONY J. LINN, M.D.
RESPONDENT. :

STIPULATION
(LS 0305072MED)

Division of Enforcement
(00 Med 062)

It is hereby stipulated between Anthony J. Linn, M.D., Respondent herein, personally and through his attorney, Donald R. Peterson, and Pamela M. Stach, Attorney for the Department of Regulation and Licensing as follows:

1. Anthony J. Linn, M.D., Respondent herein, of 2388 North Lake Drive, Milwaukee, Wi. 53211, whose date of birth is September 18, 1949, is currently registered to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Wisconsin under license number 23131 which was granted on July 11, 1980.

2. Respondent specializes in the practice of general surgery.

3. A formal complaint entitled LS 0305072MED is pending before the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board.

4. In the interests of resolving the pending investigation, Dr. Linn voluntarily enters into this stipulation and agrees to entry of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Medical Examining Board.

5. Dr. Linn understands that by signing this stipulation, he freely, voluntarily and knowingly waives his rights, including the right to a hearing on the allegations against him at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence, the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses against him, the right to call witnesses on his behalf and compel their attendance by subpoena, the right to testify, the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs and oral argument to the officials who are to render the final decision; the right to petition for rehearing; and all other applicable rights afforded to Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes and the Wisconsin Administrative Code.

6. Respondent is further aware of his right to seek legal representation prior to signing this stipulation and has done so.

7. This stipulation is subject to approval by the Division of Enforcement's attorney-supervisor

8. The parties to this stipulation and the Case Advisor may appear before the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board in support of this Stipulation.

9. Violation of the terms and conditions set forth in this Stipulation and Final Decision and Order shall constitute a basis for disciplinary action by the Medical Examining Board.

10. The Final Decision and Order, if entered by the Medical Examining Board shall become effective on the date of signing.

11. If any term of this Stipulation or the attached Final Decision and Order is not accepted by the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board, then no term of the Stipulation of Order will be binding in any manner on any party and the matter will be returned to the Division of Enforcement for further proceedings.

12. In the event that this Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

Dated: October 17, 2003

Pamela M. Stach
Pamela M. Stach, Attorney
Department of Regulation and Licensing

Dated: 10/17/03

Donald R. Peterson
Donald R. Peterson
Attorney for Respondent

I, Anthony J. Linn, M.D., having read the above Stipulation and attached Final Decision and Order, and having consulted with my attorney, do hereby freely, voluntarily and knowingly enter into this Stipulation.

Dated: 10/17/03

Anthony J. Linn MD
Anthony J. Linn, M.D.