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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE MEDICAL	:	
LICENSE OF	:	
	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
ROBERT W. HARRINGTON, M.D.,	:	LS #0505182MED
RESPONDENT.	:	

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The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Robert W. Harrington, M.D.
P.O. Box 2787
Appleton, WI 54912

Division of Enforcement
Department of Regulation and Licensing
1400 East Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board
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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board. The Board has reviewed the attached Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Robert W. Harrington, M.D., (DOB 08/24/38) is duly licensed as a physician and surgeon in the state of Wisconsin, license #34753. This license was first granted on 08/25/93.
2. Dr. Harrington's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board is P.O. Box 2787, Appleton, Wisconsin 54912.
3. Dr. Harrington was charged with Rape in the Second Degree in the state of Washington. On 6/12/01, the Superior Court of Washington for Grant County entered an Order pursuant to a Stipulation for Dismissal dismissing the charge of Rape in the Second Degree. By the terms of this Order, Dr. Harrington was required to surrender his licenses to practice medicine and surgery in all states in which he was licensed which included the state of Wisconsin. The Order provided that Dr. Harrington was not required to specifically admit anything about the facts underlying the criminal case in the state of Washington. The Order provided that Dr. Harrington permanently refrain from the practice of medicine. The Order further provided that if Dr. Harrington violated any of the terms of the Order, the state of Washington could refile the criminal charges against him.
4. Dr. Harrington, in compliance with the terms of the Order and Stipulation For Dismissal from the Superior Court of Washington for Grant County, has tendered the voluntary surrender of his current registration and his license to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin.
5. Dr. Harrington further agrees that he will not make reapplication for a license to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin and will not practice or attempt to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin at any time in the future.
6. Dr. Harrington vigorously contested the criminal charges in the state of Washington. He denies any wrongdoing or improper conduct with respect to any and all allegations made against him in the state of Washington, and entered into the dismissal agreement to avoid the risk of trial. The complainant in the state of Washington was not Dr. Harrington's patient.
7. Dr. Harrington has not practiced medicine in any state since May, 2000.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Final Decision and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).
2. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has the authority pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22 to assess the costs of this proceeding against Robert W. Harrington, M.D.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The voluntary surrender of Robert W. Harrington's current registration and license to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin is hereby accepted effective on the date of the signing of this Final Decision and Order.
2. Robert W. Harrington will not make reapplication for a license to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin and will not practice or attempt to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin at any time in the future.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

3. Robert W. Harrington shall pay the costs of this proceeding in the amount of \$1,438.53 within sixty (60) days of the date of this Final Decision and Order. Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and

Licensing and mailed or delivered to:

Department Monitor
Division of Enforcement
Department of Regulation and Licensing
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935
Telephone (608) 267-3817
Fax (608) 266-2264

4. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board

By: Bhupinder S. Saini, M.D.
A Member of the Board

May 18, 2005
Date