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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF : FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

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ROMEO SORIANO, M.D.

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[DOE Case # 05 MED 307]

The parties to this proceeding for purposes of Wis. Stat. 227.53 are:

Romeo C. Soriano, M.D. 1445 Primrose Lane Lancaster, WI 53813

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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 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. Romeo Soriano, M.D., DOB August 6, 1942, is duly licensed and currently registered to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Wisconsin under license # 25868-20. This license was first granted on April 13, 1984.
- 2. Dr. Soriano's most recent address of file with the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing is 1445 Primrose Lane, Lancaster, WI 53813.
- 3. Dr. Soriano's registration to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Wisconsin under his current license was renewed by the Department in October 2007 and will remain active until October 31, 2009.
 - 4. Dr. Soriano has fully retired from the practice of medicine.

- 5. There is a pending investigation involving Dr. Soriano's license entitled 05 MED 307. The allegations are that Dr. Soriano failed to properly diagnose and treat an intraoperative injury during a surgery performed in 2005. Nothing should be construed regarding the truthfulness or untruthfulness of these allegations by virtue of this stipulation or by entry of this Order by the Department as they are allegations only.
- 6. Dr. Soriano's decision to retire from the practice of medicine was unrelated to the pending investigation.
- 7. Dr. Soriano expressly denies any allegations which may have been made as a result of the licensing investigation but in the interests of resolving this matter and in light of his retirement status, he allows the Board to enter this Order.
- 8. Dr. Soriano has not engaged in the practice of medicine since his retirement. Dr. Soriano agrees not to engage in the practice of medicine from the time of this Order until October 31, 2009.
 - 9. On November 1, 2009, Dr. Soriano's license status will change from active to inactive.
- 10. As he is fully retired, Dr. Soriano agrees not to reregister to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Wisconsin any time after October 31, 2009.
- 11. If Dr. Soriano wishes to reenter the practice of medicine at a future date, he agrees to petition the Board for reinstatement. He shall appear before the Board in support of his petition and satisfy the Board of his competence to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Wisconsin at that time. In considering the petition, the Board may further review and consider the underlying investigative file which is the basis of this action and Respondent's agreement not to reregister in the future. The Board may deny the petition or grant reinstatement on whatever terms the Board deems necessary including the payment of the accrued costs of the Department in this matter.
- 12. There have been no findings of any violations at this time and this order does not constitute a disciplinary action against Dr. Soriano's license.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. 448.02(3), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. 227.44(5).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Stipulation of the parties is hereby accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Romeo Soriano, M.D., in light of his retirement status, will not practice medicine at any time between now and October 31, 2009.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the license status of Romeo Soriano, M.D., will change from active to inactive on November 1, 2009.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Romeo Soriano, M.D., as he is fully retired, shall not register for an active license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Wisconsin after October 31, 2009.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event Romeo Soriano, M.D., wishes to resume the practice of medicine at some time in the future, he may petition the Board for reinstatement. He shall appear before the Board in support of his petition and satisfy the Board of his competence to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Wisconsin at that time. In considering the petition, the Board may further review and consider the underlying investigative file which is the basis of this action and Respondent's agreement not to reregister in the future. The Board may deny the petition or grant reinstatement on whatever terms the Board deems necessary including the payment of the accrued costs of the Department in this matter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board, in its discretion, may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations for a violation of any of the terms of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order is effective on July 16, 2008.

STATE OF WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

BY: Gene Musser MD 7/16/08

A Member of the Board Date