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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY :

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

JACQUELINE W. WALTER, M.D., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0000096

Division of Enforcement Case No. 07 MED 289

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

Jacqueline W. Walter, M.D. 13012 Rover Ave. NE Albuquerque, NM 87112

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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 Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Jacqueline W. Walter, M.D. (DOB December 30, 1952), is duly licensed as a physician in the state of Wisconsin (license No. 29902-20). This license was granted on October 27, 1988.

- 2. Respondent's address on record with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board is 13012 Rover Ave. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112.
- 3. On October 31, 2006, Respondent applied for a January 1, 2007 December 31, 2008 physician license renewal in Alaska. On the application, Respondent disclosed that a settlement of an allegation of malpractice had been achieved during the last licensing period. Respondent was notified by the Alaska State Medical Board that her failure to report such settlements was a violation of AS 08.64.345 and regulation 12 AAC 40.930, and as a licensed physician in the state of Alaska she is required to know and comply with the statutes that govern her license.
- 4. A request from the Alaska Medical Board was made on December 20, 2006 for Respondent to file a report of the malpractice settlements. Respondent filed a report of malpractice claim settlement with the board which was received in March 2007. Respondent's first malpractice claim was dismissed on December 29, 2005 with all parties responsible for their own costs. Respondent's insurance company paid \$450,000 to avoid a jury trial. Respondent's second malpractice claim was dismissed on August 16, 2006 with all parties responsible for their own costs. Respondent's insurance company paid \$450,000 to avoid a jury trial.
- 5. In an interview conducted on April 10, 2007 by an investigator for the Alaska Medical Board, Respondent said she would like to give up her license so she will not be harassed by the board anymore. It was explained that she could voluntarily surrender her license if that was her desire and she stated she no longer wanted to practice in Alaska. An order for voluntary surrender of her license was mailed to the respondent.
- 7. On May 4, 2007, Respondent voluntarily surrendered her medical license (No. S5125) in Alaska as a resolution to her failure to report two malpractice settlements to the Alaska Medical Board as required by AS 08.64.345 and 12 AAC 40.930.
- 8. Respondent surrendered her Alaska licensure which is misconduct as defined by Wis. Admin. Code § 10.02(2)(q).

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).
- 2. Respondent by having surrendered her Alaska license to practice medicine and surgery by the Alaska Medical Board, as set out above, has committed unprofessional conduct as defined by Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.02(2)(q) and is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3).

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the stipulation of the parties is approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Jacqueline W. Walter, M.D. is hereby REPRIMANDED.

By A Member of the Board

A Member of the Board

Date

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