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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

WILLIAM H. SHULER, M.D.,

RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0001438

Division of Enforcement Case No. 11MED278

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

William H. Shuler, M.D. 5973 Tall Pines Road NE Bemidji, MN 56601-7093

Division of Enforcement Department of Safety and Professional Services 1400 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board Department of Safety and Professional Services 1400 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

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 adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. William H. Shuler, M.D. ("Respondent"), date of birth December 8, 1969, is licensed by the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board to practice medicine and surgery pursuant to license no. 52419-20. Respondent's license was first granted on December 1, 2008 and expired on October 31, 2011.
- 2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board is 5973 Tall Pines Road NE, Bemidji, MN, 56601-7093.

- 3. On multiple occasions between April 2008 and August 2010, Respondent issued online prescriptions to Utah residents, which were then dispensed from a pharmacy in Florida. Furthermore, Respondent issued these prescriptions while his license to practice medicine in Utah was expired from January 31, 2010 through July 27, 2010.
- On August 8, 2011, Respondent was issued a Public Reprimand by the Utah Department of Commerce, Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing for his actions, and was ordered to immediately cease and desist from the unprofessional and unlawful conduct described above.
- 5. As a result of the disciplinary action taken against his Utah license, Respondent was issued a Public Letter of Reprimand by the Medical Board of California, and a Citation by the Medical Board of Ohio.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 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 had disciplinary action taken against his license to practice medicine in the state of Utah, 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).

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- The attached Stipulation of the parties is accepted. 1.
- 2. William H. Shuler, M.D. is hereby REPRIMANDED for the above conduct.
- Respondent shall, within 90 days of this Order, pay costs of this proceeding in the 3. amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE (\$175.00) dollars. Payment shall be made to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services, and mailed to:

Department Monitor Department of Safety and Professional Services Division of Enforcement 1400 East Washington Ave. P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935 Telephone: (608) 267-3817

Fax: (608) 266-2264

Violation of any 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 or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to timely submit payment of the costs as ordered, the Respondent's license (no. 52419-20) may, in the discretion of the board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with payment of the costs.

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

MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

A Member of the Board

Date

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