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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

GEORGE H. PFALTZGRAFF, M.D.,
RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0001891

[Division of Enforcement Case No. 11 MED 125]

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

George H. Pfaltzgraff, M.D.
411 Simonson Road
St. Croix Falls, WI 54024

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

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

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 (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. George H. Pfaltzgraff, M.D., ("Respondent") was born on April 22, 1945 and is licensed to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Wisconsin (license #32127-20). This license was first granted on May 22, 1991. This license expired on October 31, 2007 and has not been renewed. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.08(3), Respondent retains the right to renew upon payment of a fee until October 31, 2012.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board is 411 Simonson Road, St Croix Falls, Wisconsin.

3. On July 8, 2009, the Iowa Board of Medicine filed a Statement of Charges against Respondent alleging that he failed to conform to the minimal standard of acceptable and prevailing practice of medicine when, in 2008, he performed a tubal ligation on a patient without proper consent.

4. On June 2, 2011, Respondent stipulated to a Settlement Agreement, which cited and warned Respondent for his conduct stated in paragraph 3. Respondent agreed to the following terms:

- a. Civil penalty in the amount of \$10,000.
- b. Successful completion of the Professional/Problem Based Ethics (PROBE) program sponsored by the Ethics Group, LLC, of Summit, New Jersey.
- c. Three-year probation involving compliance with monitoring requirements and quarterly reports.

5. Respondent is currently employed in the State of Iowa and has no plans to practice medicine in Wisconsin.

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 disciplinary action taken against his medical license in Iowa, 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

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The Board accepts the resignation and voluntary surrender of Respondent's license (#32127-20) and all rights and privileges attendant to the license.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

2. In the event Respondent decides to reapply for licensure in the State of Wisconsin, prior to becoming credentialed, Respondent shall pay to the Department of Safety and Professional Services costs of this proceeding in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00) pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22(2). Payment shall be made payable to the

Department of Safety and Professional Services and mailed to the Department Monitor at the address below.

3. Whether to grant a license and whether to impose any limitations or restrictions on any license granted shall be in the discretion of the Board.

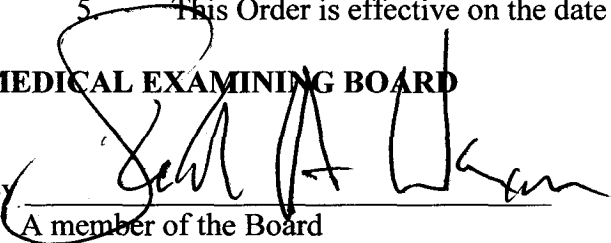
4. Payment of costs shall be submitted to:

Department Monitor
Department of Safety & Professional Services
Division of Enforcement
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935
Telephone: (608) 267-3817
Fax: (608) 266-2264

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

MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

By


A member of the Board

Date

6/20/12