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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

PATRICK L. BRUNO, M.D.,
RESPONDENT.

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 13 MED 179

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

Patrick L. Bruno, M.D.
1121 E. Ervin Road
Van Wert, OH 45891

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board
P.O. Box 8366
Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 7190
Madison, WI 53707-7190

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition 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, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Patrick L. Bruno, M.D., (dob November 3, 1957), is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 44071-20. This license was first granted on January 2, 2002. This license expired on October 31, 2011 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, 2016.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 1121 E. Ervin Road, Van Wert, OH 45891.

3. On May 23, 2013, the Missouri Board of Registration for the Healing Arts issued a disciplinary order granting Respondent a probationary license to practice medicine in Missouri (Missouri Order).

4. According to the Missouri order, on June 14, 2012, a hospital at which Respondent had staff privileges summarily suspended those privileges. The basis for the summary suspension was a patient care incident in which Respondent caused a ureteral injury and failed to diagnose the injury during both the original surgery and during a subsequent surgery performed approximately two weeks later.

5. Respondent does not intend to return to practice in Wisconsin and has therefore decided to voluntarily surrender his right to renew his Wisconsin license to practice medicine and surgery. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

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 pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
2. The VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Patrick L. Bruno, M.D.'s right to renew his license to practice medicine and surgery in Wisconsin (license number 44071-20) is hereby accepted.
3. If Respondent elects to apply for Wisconsin licensure at any time in the future, he shall first pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$150.00.
4. Payment of costs shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and sent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

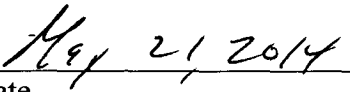
5. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. The suspension of Respondent's license shall not be terminated unless and until Respondent has first complied with the Board's requirement that he pay costs.

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

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

by:


A Member of the Board


Date

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STIPULATION

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Respondent Patrick L. Bruno, M.D., and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services stipulate as follows:

1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.

2. Respondent understands that by signing this Stipulation, Respondent voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
- the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Respondent;
- the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
- the right to testify on Respondent's own behalf;
- the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
- the right to petition for rehearing; and
- all other applicable rights afforded to Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.

4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board (Board). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division

of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

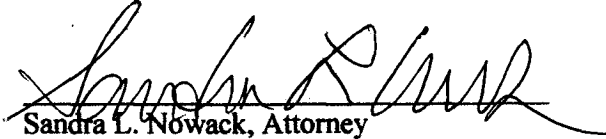
6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Board ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

7. Respondent is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.

8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending that the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.


Patrick L. Bruno, M.D., Respondent
1121 E. Ervin Road
Van Wert, OH 45891
License no. 44071-20

4/20/2014
Date


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P.O. Box 7190
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4/21/14
Date