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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

SANDRA T. CONGDON, M.D., RESPONDENT.

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 MED 142

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

Sandra T. Congdon, M.D. 402 Quaker Farms Road Oxford, CT 06478

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 Sandra T. Congdon, M.D., (dob October 17, 1948), is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 41092-20, first issued on June 4, 1999, with registration expiring on October 31, 2013. Respondent retains the right to renew her license through October 31, 2018. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 402 Quaker Farms Road, Oxford, Connecticut 06478.
- 2. On May 22, 2012, Respondent and the State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health, Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch, entered into a Consent Order reprimanding Respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Connecticut. The basis for

the discipline involved an incident on May 5, 2013 in which Respondent, a specialist in anesthesiology, inadvertently administered an infusion of Lidocaine 4% instead of Hespan to a patient who became hypotensive during a surgery.

- 3. Subsequent to the above incident, Respondent attended an in-person accredited seminar on Healthcare Quality, Patient Safety and Risk Management.
- 4. Respondent has retired from the practice of medicine and has no intention of renewing her license to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin.
- 5. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

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 pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

ORDER

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. The SURRENDER of the license by Sandra T. Congdon, M.D., (license no. 41092-20) to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin and the right to renew that license is hereby accepted, effective the date of this Order.
- 3. In the event that Respondent petitions the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board for re-licensure to practice medicine and surgery in the future, the Board may enter an order denying such application without further notice or hearing. 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. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

by:

Member of the Board

Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

:

STIPULATION

SANDRA T. CONGDON, M.D., RESPONDENT.

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Respondent Sandra T. Congdon, 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 the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

10/16/14

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