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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

RONALD C. PETCHER, M.D., RESPONDENT. FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ORDER0007305

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 19 MED 362

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

Ronald C. Petcher, M.D. Phoenix, AZ 85044-1366

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. Ronald C. Petcher, M.D. (Respondent), (Year of Birth 1943) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 35167-20, first issued on February 23, 1994, with registration current through October 31, 2021. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Phoenix, Arizona 85044-1366.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was also licensed to practice medicine in the state of Arizona, with a specialty in diagnostic radiology.

3. On July 12, 2019, the Arizona Medical Board (Arizona Board) reprimanded Respondent for failing to appropriately interpret a patient's magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)

study and subsequently failing to inform the referring provider of abnormal MRI results. The Arizona Board further placed Respondent on probation and required that Respondent successfully complete four Arizona Board-approved Continuing Medical Education courses in breast MRI, breast MRI 2.0 via efficient learning systems, breast MRI comprehensive, and breast MRI boot camp (Arizona Board Order).

4. Respondent complied with the Arizona Board Order and Respondent's probation period ended on July 18, 2019.

5. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The 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).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent violated Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.03(3)(c) by having any credential pertaining to the practice of medicine and surgery or any act constituting the practice of medicine and surgery become subject to adverse determination by any agency of this or another state, or by any federal agency or authority.

3. As a result of the above violations, Respondent is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3) and Wis. Admin. Code § Med. 10.03.

<u>ORDER</u>

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent is REPRIMANDED.

3. Within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$320.00.

4. Any requests, petitions, payments of costs (made payable to Department of Safety and Professional Services), and other information required by this Order shall be submitted to:

Department Monitor Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190 Telephone (608) 266-2112; Fax (608) 266-2264 DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

Respondent may also submit this information online at: https://dspsmonitoring.wi.gov.

5. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Order, Respondent's license (number 35167-20) or Respondent's right to renew his license, may, in the discretion of the Board

or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of the Order. The Board may, in addition and/or in the alternative refer any violation of this Order to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further investigation and action.

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

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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15 September 2021 Date

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
	:	STIPULATION
RONALD C. PETCHER, M.D.,	:	
RESPONDENT.	-	ORDER0007595

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 19 MED 362

Ronald C. Petcher, M.D. (Respondent), 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.

Ronald C. Petcher, M.D., Respondent Phoenix, AZ 85044-1366 License No. 35167-20

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

8/18/2021 Date

8/19/21 Date