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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY	:	
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
DARREN R. ELLENBOLT, M.D.,	:	
RESPONDENT.	:	ORDER 0008366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 22 MED 534

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

Darren R. Ellenbolt, M.D. Mukwonago, WI 53149

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 Darren R. Ellenbolt, M.D., (Year of Birth 1977) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 47860-20, first issued on March 2, 2005, with registration current through October 31, 2023. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Mukwonago, Wisconsin 53149.

2. On December 7, 2022, the Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Legal Services and Compliance, commenced an investigation after receiving a complaint which alleged, *inter alia*, that Respondent made handwritten notes detailing female patient encounters dating back to Respondent's residency, which described the female patients' anatomy in a graphic and sexual manner, including patients under 18 years of age.

3. The Department received copies of Respondent's handwritten notes referenced in paragraph 2.

4. Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusion 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 engaged in sexually explicit conduct, sexual contact, exposure, gratification, or other sexual behavior with or in the presence of a patient a patient's immediate family, or a person responsible for the patient's welfare as defined within Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.03(2)(f).

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

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. The PERMANENT SURRENDER by Respondent of his license and registration to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin (license no. 47860-20), is accepted.

3. This surrender constitutes Respondent's permanent relinquishment of his license and registration to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin, and any appurtenant right to renew that license and registration. The Board will not, at any time in the future, process or otherwise consider an application or attempt at renewal or reinstatement by Respondent of credentials necessary to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin.

4. In the event Respondent applies for another credential in the state of Wisconsin under Wis. Stat. chs. 440 through 480, Respondent shall pay the costs of this matter in the amount of \$1,669.00, before any petition or application for a credential will be considered by the applicable board or Department.

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

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

By:

Shella A. Wrawn, ms A Member of the Board

1/18/2023 Date

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
	:	STIPULATION
DARREN R. ELLENBOLT, M.D., RESPONDENT.	:	ORDER OUU8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 21 MED 534

Darren R. Ellenbolt, 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. Respondent is represented by Attorney Colin Good.

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 or Respondent's attorney, 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. Respondent is further informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order will be reported as required by the National Practitioner Databank (NPDB) Guidebook and as otherwise required by any licensure compact or any other state or federal law.

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

Darren R. Ellenbolt, M.D., Respondent Mukwonago, WI 53149 License No. 47860-20

Colin Good, Attorney for Respondent Hawks Quindel, S.C. 409 E Main St. Madison, WI 53703

Colleen Meloy, Prosecuting Attorney Department of Safety and Professional Services Division of Legal Services and Compliance P.O. Box 7190 Madison, WI 53707-7190 01/05/2023

Date

January 5, 2023

Date