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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

GREGORY J. HALL, M.D., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0008511

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 22 MED 136

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

Gregory J. Hall, M.D. Hilton Head Island, SC 29926

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board P.O. Box 8366 Madison, WI 53708-f8366

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 Gregory J. Hall, M.D., (Year of Birth 1967) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 72291-20, first issued on November 25, 2019, 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 Hilton Head Island, South Carolina 29926.
- 2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent practiced as a telemedicine diagnostic radiologist based in South Carolina.
- 3. In June 2015, a 53-year-old male (Patient A) presented to a North Carolina emergency department with a primary complaint of right foot and ankle pain two days after rolling

his ankle. A radiograph was taken, and Respondent was the radiologist who reviewed it. Respondent interpreted the radiograph as demonstrating "soft tissue swelling without acute osseous abnormality." Patient A was discharged with a diagnosis of a sprain and instructions to follow-up with an orthopedist.

- 4. Approximately one month later, Patient A was seen by an orthopedic surgeon who ordered another radiograph study. The radiologist who reviewed this radiograph noted findings concerning for a Lisfranc injury, which is a type of injury to the bones and/or ligaments in the middle part of a foot. Patient A subsequently underwent surgery to address the fracture.
- 5. Respondent did not diagnose Patient A's imaging as demonstrating a Lisfranc fracture injury.
- 6. Respondent disputes that under the relevant circumstances the fact that he did not identify concerns regarding a Lisfranc fracture deviated from the standard of care.
- 7. 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 engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined in Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.03(2)(b) by departing from or failing to conform to the standard of minimally competent medical practice which creates an unacceptable risk of harm to a patient or the public whether or not the act or omission resulted in actual harm to any person.
- 3. As a result of the above conduct, Respondent is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3).

ORDER

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. Respondent is REPRIMANDED.
- 3. Respondent's license and registration to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin (license no. 72291-20), is LIMITED as follows:
 - a. Within six (6) months of the date of this Order, Respondent shall at their own expense, successfully complete six hours of education on the topic of radiological classification of bone and joint emergencies and critical findings of musculoskeletal imaging.

- b. At least two hours of the ordered education must be dedicated to the Lisfranc fracture injury.
- c. Each course attended in satisfaction of this Order must be pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Respondent shall be responsible for locating course(s) satisfactory to the Board and for obtaining the required approval of the course(s) from the Board or its designee. Respondent must take and pass any exam offered for the course(s).
- d. Respondent shall submit proof of successful completion of the education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below. None of the education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or Department and may not be used in any future attempt to upgrade a credential.
- e. The Board's monitoring liaison may change the number of credit hours and/or education topics in response to a request from Respondent. The monitoring liaison may consider the topic availability and/or hours of education when determining if a change to the ordered education should occur.
- 4. Within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$837.00.
- 5. 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.

6. In the event R	spondent violates any term of this Order, Respondent's license and
registration (no. 72291-20), o	r Respondent's right to renew his license and registration, may, in
the discretion of the Board of	its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing,
until Respondent has complie	d with the terms of the Order. The Board may, in addition and/or in
the alternative refer any viola	ion of this Order to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance
for further investigation and a	ction.

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WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

By:	Stellen A. Walterm, mo	6/21/23
	A Member of the Board	Date

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

STIPULATION

GREGORY J. HALL, M.D., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0008511

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 22 MED 136

Respondent Gregory J. Hall, 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. Respondent is represented by Attorney Sean Bosack.
- 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.

- 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,
- 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.
- 0 The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in

recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issu	ue the attached Final Decision and Order.
Gregory J. Hall, M.D., Respondent Hilton Head Island, SC 29926 License No. 72291-20	<u>5-25-23</u> Date
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Sean Bosack, Attorney for Respondent Godfrey & Kahn, S.C. 833 E. Michigan St., Suite 1800 Milwaukee, W1 53202	Date
On Alle	5/26/2023
Colleen Meloy, Prosecuting Attorney Department of Safety and Professional Services Division of Legal Services and Compliance	Date

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