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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

In the Matter of)	
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Ryan J. Koch, D.O.)	KSBHA Docket No. <u>23-HA00024</u>
Kansas License No. 94-10612)	

**CONSENT ORDER FOR SURRENDER OF LICENSE
IN LIEU OF REVOCATION**

COMES NOW Disciplinary Panel #37, a duly constituted committee of the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts ("Board"), by and through C. Sebastian Thomas Orosco, Associate Litigation Counsel, and Ryan J. Koch, D.O. ("Licensee"), by and through Kelli J. Stevens, Stevens Law, LLC, and moves the Board for approval of this Consent Order affecting Licensee's license to practice osteopathic medicine and surgery in Kansas. The parties agree and stipulate to the following:

1. Licensee's last known mailing address as provided to the Board is: **CONFIDENTIAL**
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2. Licensee is and has been entitled to engage in the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery in Kansas, having been issued postgraduate permit No. 94-10612 on or about June 1, 2021. Licensee's postgraduate permit is currently Active.

3. At all times relevant to the allegations set forth in this Consent Order Licensee has held an Active postgraduate permit to practice osteopathic medicine and surgery in the State of Kansas.

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4. This Consent Order is based on the following facts, which the parties agree to and stipulate to be true and relevant to the requested relief:

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- e. Licensee has volunteered to surrender his postgraduate permit in lieu of litigating this matter before the Board.

VIOLATIONS OF THE KANSAS HEALING ARTS ACT

5. Licensee has committed conduct in violation of the Kansas Healing Arts Act and/or applicable rules and regulations adopted by the board. Specifically, Licensee has violated:

- a. K.S.A. 65-2836(k), in that Licensee violated any lawful rule and regulation promulgated by the board or violated any lawful order or directive of the board previously entered by the Board. **CONFIDENTIAL**

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MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

6. The Board is the sole and exclusive administrative agency in the State of Kansas authorized to regulate the practice of the healing arts. K.S.A. 65-2801 *et seq.*

7. This Consent Order and the filing of such document are in accordance with applicable law and the Board has jurisdiction to enter into the Consent Order as provided by K.S.A. 77-505 and 65-2838. Upon approval these stipulations shall constitute the findings of the Board and this Consent Order shall constitute the Board's Final Order.

8. The Kansas Healing Arts Act is constitutional on its face and as applied in this case. Licensee agrees that, in considering this matter, the Board is not acting beyond its jurisdiction as provided by law.

9. Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives his right to a hearing. Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives his right to present a defense by oral testimony and documentary evidence, to submit rebuttal evidence, and to conduct cross-examination of witnesses. Licensee voluntarily and knowingly agrees to waive all possible substantive and procedural motions and

defenses that could be raised if an administrative hearing were held. The terms and conditions of the Consent Order are entered into between the undersigned parties and are submitted for the purpose of allowing these terms and conditions to become an Order of the Board. This Consent Order shall not be binding on the Board until an authorized signature is affixed at the end of this document. Licensee specifically acknowledges that counsel for the Board is not authorized to sign this Consent Order on behalf of the Board.

10. Licensee acknowledges that if formal hearing proceedings were conducted and Licensee presented no exhibits, witnesses, or other evidence, the Board has sufficient evidence to prove that Licensee has violated the Kansas Healing Arts Act with respect to the above allegations. Licensee further waives his right to dispute or otherwise contest the allegations contained in the above paragraphs in any further proceeding before this Board.

11. According to K.S.A. 65-2838(b) and K.S.A. 77-505, the Board has authority to enter into this Consent Order without the necessity of proceeding to a formal hearing.

12. Nothing in this Consent Order shall be construed to deny the Board jurisdiction to investigate alleged violations of the Kansas Healing Arts Act or the Kansas Physician Licensure Act, or to investigate complaints received under the Risk Management Law, K.S.A. 65-4921 *et seq.*, that are known or unknown and are not covered under this Consent Order, or to initiate formal proceedings based upon known or unknown allegations of violations of the Kansas Healing Arts Act.

13. Licensee hereby releases the Board, its individual members (in their official and personal capacity), attorneys, employees, and agents (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Releasees"), from any and all claims including but not limited to those alleged damages, actions,

liabilities, both administrative and civil, including the Kansas Judicial Review Act. (K.S.A. 77-601 *et seq.*) arising out of the investigation and acts leading to the execution of this Consent Order. This release shall forever discharge the Releasees of any and all claims or demands of every kind and nature that Licensee has claimed to have had at the time of this release or might have had, either known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, and Licensee shall not commence to prosecute, cause, or permit to be prosecuted, any action or proceeding of any description against the Releasees.

14. Licensee further understands and agrees that, upon signature by Licensee, this document shall be deemed a public record and shall be reported to any entities authorized to receive disclosure of the Consent Order.

15. This Consent Order, when signed by both parties, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and may only be modified or amended by a subsequent document executed in the same manner by the parties.

16. Licensee agrees that all information maintained by the Board pertaining to the nature and result of any complaint and/or investigation may be fully disclosed to and considered by the Board in conjunction with the presentation of any offer of settlement, even if Licensee is not present. Licensee further acknowledges that the Board may conduct further inquiry as it deems necessary before the complete or partial acceptance or rejection of any offer of settlement.

17. Licensee, by signature to this document waives any objection to the participation of the Board members, including the Disciplinary Panel and General Counsel, in the consideration of this offer of settlement and agrees not to seek the disqualification or recusal of any Board member or General Counsel in any future proceedings on the basis that the Board member or

General Counsel has received investigative information from any source which otherwise may not be admissible or admitted as evidence.

18. Licensee acknowledges that he has read this Consent Order and fully understands the contents.

19. Licensee acknowledges that this Consent Order has been entered into freely and voluntarily.

20. Upon execution of this Consent Order by affixing a Board authorized signature below the provisions of this Consent Order shall become an Order under K.S.A. 65-2838. This Consent Order shall constitute the Board's Order when filed with the office of the Executive Director for the Board and no further Order is required.

21. The Board may consider all aspects of this Consent Order in any future matter regarding Licensee.

22. This Consent Order constitutes **public disciplinary action**.

SURRENDER OF LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY

23. In lieu of conducting a formal proceeding on the allegations, **Licensee agrees to surrender his Kansas postgraduate permit**. Such surrender will be treated as a revocation for all purposes, including reporting.

24. Licensee agrees that an application for reinstatement of the license will be considered in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 65-2844. Further, Licensee's application will be governed by *Vakas v. The Kansas Board of Healing Arts*, 248 Kan. 589 (Kan. 1991), and all applicable statutes, law, rules and regulations regarding qualifications for licensure and reinstatement.

25. Licensee agrees that in the event he applies for reinstatement of his license, the allegations contained in this Consent Order will be considered as findings of fact and conclusions of law.

26. Approving the proposed Consent Order will resolve **CONFIDENTIAL** CONFIDENTIAL without the need for litigation, thereby promoting judicial efficacy and making good use of limited resources. Furthermore, approving the proposed Consent Order will further the Board's mission of protecting the public against the unprofessional, improper, unauthorized, and unqualified practice of the healing arts by immediately removing Licensee's authority to practice as a physician ~~assistant~~ in Kansas.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this Consent Order and agreement of the parties contained herein is hereby adopted by the Board as findings of fact, conclusions of law, and as a Final Order of the Board.

IT IS SO ORDERED on this 17th day of April, 2023.

**FOR THE KANSAS STATE
BOARD OF HEALING ARTS:**

Susan Bell

4/17/23

Date

Ryan Koch

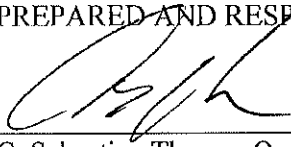
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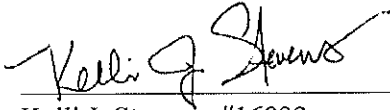
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify that I served a true and correct copy of the **CONSENT ORDER FOR SURRENDER OF LICENSE** by placing the same in the U.S. mail, postage prepaid, facsimile to the phone numbers listed below, and that the transmission was reported as complete and without error and that the facsimile machine complied with Supreme Court Rule 119(b)(3), or hand delivery, on this the 17th day of April, 2023, to the following:

Ryan J. Koch, D.O.

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