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

KS State Board of Healing Arts

In the Matter of

**C. GORDON HARROD, M.D.
Kansas License No. 04-25931.**

Docket No. 11-HA 00055

CONSENT ORDER

COMES NOW, the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts, ("Board"), by and through Associate Litigation Counsel Lori D. Dougherty, ("Petitioner"), and C. Gordon Harrod, M.D. ("Licensee"), by and through his counsel, Mark R. Maloney, of Gilliland & Hayes, and move the Board for approval of a Consent Order affecting Licensee's license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Kansas. The Parties stipulate and agree to the following:

1. Licensee's last known mailing address to the Board is: 1737 Southeast Highway 54, P.O. Box 311, El Dorado, Kansas 67042.
2. Licensee is or has been entitled to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery in the State of Kansas, having been issued License No. 04-25931 on approximately October 14, 1995. Licensee's license is currently active, having last renewed on or about June 30, 2010.
3. Licensee has not been the subject of previous disciplinary action by the Board.
4. The Board is the sole and exclusive administrative agency in the State of Kansas authorized to regulate the practice of the healing arts, specifically the practice of medicine and surgery. K.S.A. 65-2801 *et seq.* and K.S.A. 65-2869.
5. 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.
6. The Kansas Healing Arts Act is constitutional on its face and as applied in the case. Licensee agrees that in considering this matter, the Board is not acting beyond its jurisdiction as provided by law.
7. 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.

8. 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.
9. The Board has received information, investigated the same, and has reason to believe that on or about July 29, 2008, Licensee's privileges at Wichita Clinic were limited **Confidential** **Confidential** for acts or conduct similar to acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for disciplinary action under K.S.A. 65-2836. Licensee's privilege to prescribe narcotic medications for patients with chronic pain was limited **Confidential** **Confidential**.
10. The Board has received information, investigated the same, and has reason to believe that on or about June 2, 2009, Licensee obtained a renewal of License by misrepresentation. Disciplinary Question E asks, "In the past 12 months have any hospital privileges been suspended, restricted, limited or voluntarily surrendered or has any peer review or professional association initiated or taken any action against you?" Licensee answered, "no," despite having his privileges at Wichita Clinic limited on or about July 29, 2008.
11. 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.
12. Licensee's acts, if proven, constitute unprofessional conduct as set forth in K.S.A. 65-2836(a) and K.S.A. 65-2836(s).
13. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2836, the Board may revoke, suspend, limit, censure or place under probationary conditions Licensee's license and pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2863a, the Board has the authority to impose administrative fines for violations of the Kansas Healing Arts Act.

14. According to K.S.A. 65-2838(b), the Board has authority to enter into this Consent Order without the necessity of proceeding to a formal hearing.
15. All pending investigation materials regarding Licensee were fully reviewed and considered by the Board members who serve on the Board's Disciplinary Panel. Disciplinary Panel No. 24 authorized and directed Board counsel to seek settlement of this matter with the provisions contained in this Consent Order.
16. In lieu of conducting a formal proceeding, Licensee, by signature affixed to this Consent Order, hereby voluntarily agrees to the following disciplinary action and limitations on his license to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery:

CENSURE

- a. Licensee is publicly censured for violating the Kansas Healing Arts Act.

PROBATION: EDUCATION

- b. Licensee shall attend and successfully complete a continuing education course for appropriate prescribing by ~~December 31, 2010~~^{February 28, 2011}, at his own expense. The New Jersey Mini-Residency in Appropriate Prescribing course is approved by the Board to meet this education requirement. Licensee shall provide proof of successful completion by ~~December 31, 2010~~^{February 28, 2011}.
- c. These hours shall be in addition to those hours required for renewal of licensure.
- d. Proof of completion shall be submitted to the Board of Healing Arts, Attention: Compliance Coordinator, 235 S.W. Topeka Blvd., Topeka, Kansas 66603-3068.

PROBATION: LIMITATION

- e. Licensee shall not practice medicine and surgery unless he obtains a Kansas-licensed physician to monitor and review all narcotic prescriptions written by Licensee for adequacy and appropriateness of the prescription.
- f. Within ten (10) days of the approval of the Consent Order, Licensee shall propose a physician to serve as his prescription monitor. The Board, or the Board's designee, shall approve or disapprove of the monitoring physician. The monitoring physician shall provide a written report on a bi-monthly basis to the Board regarding the appropriateness and adequacy of Licensee's prescriptions for narcotics and is to include any recommendations for Licensee's narcotic prescribing practice. Said reports are due to the Board on the 15th day of the month. Licensee agrees to follow

all recommendations of the prescription monitor and is responsible for ensuring timely submission of the prescription monitor's reports.

- g. The Board designates Dr. Ray Conley to review and approve/disapprove of the proposed practice supervisor and plan of supervised practice.
- h. All reports required pursuant to this Consent Order shall be submitted to the Board of Healing Arts, Attention: Compliance Coordinator, 235 S.W. Topeka Blvd., Topeka, Kansas 66603-3068.

PROBATION AND LIMITATION TIMEFRAME

- i. The above probation provisions and limitations are not self-terminating. After a period of three (3) years, Licensee may request modification or termination of the provisions. For any period of time that Licensee is not actively practicing medicine and surgery in Kansas, the monitoring provisions and limitations will remain in effect but will be tolled and not counted towards reducing the three (3) year timeframe.

FINES / COSTS

- j. Licensee agrees to pay the costs incurred by the Board during the investigation. The costs include \$129.00 in investigation costs and the cost of documents provided to the Board during discovery.
- k. Licensee shall remit the costs due to the Board no later than January 10, 2011. ~~December 31, 2010.~~ Costs shall be submitted to the Board of Healing Arts, Attention: Compliance Coordinator, 235 S.W. Topeka Blvd., Topeka, Kansas 66603-3068.

17. Licensee further understands and agrees that if the Board finds, after due written notice and an opportunity for a hearing, that Licensee has failed to comply with any of the terms of this Consent Order, the Board may immediately impose any sanction provided for by law, including but not limited to suspension or revocation of Licensee's license to practice chiropractic in the State of Kansas. Licensee hereby expressly understands and agrees that at any such hearing, the sole issue shall be whether or not Licensee has failed to comply with any of the terms or conditions set forth in this Consent Order. The Board acknowledges that at any such hearing, Licensee retains the right to confront and examine all witnesses, present evidence, testify on his own behalf, contest the allegations, present oral argument, appeal to

the courts, and all other rights set forth in the Kansas Administrative Procedures Act, K.S.A. 77-501 *et seq.*, and the Kansas Healing Arts Act, K.S.A. 65-2801 *et seq.*

18. Nothing in this Consent Order shall be construed to deny the Board jurisdiction to investigate alleged violations of the Kansas Healing Arts Act, or to investigate complaints received under the Risk Management Law, K.S.A. 64-4921 *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.
19. 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.
20. Licensee further understands and agrees that upon signature by Licensee, this document shall be deemed a public record and shall be reported to any reporting entities authorized to receive disclosure of the Consent Order.
21. 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.
22. 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.
23. 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.

24. Licensee acknowledges that he has read this Consent Order and fully understands the contents.
25. Licensee acknowledges that this Consent Order has been entered into freely and voluntarily.
26. All correspondence or communication between Licensee and the Board relating to the Consent Order shall be by certified mail addressed to the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts, Attn: Compliance Coordinator, 235 S. Topeka Blvd., Topeka, Kansas 66603-3068.
27. Licensee shall obey all federal, state and local laws and rules governing the practice of medicine and surgery in the State of Kansas that may be in place at the time of execution of the Consent Order or may become effective subsequent to the execution of this document.
28. 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.
29. This Consent Order constitutes disciplinary action.
30. The Board may consider all aspects of this Consent Order in any future matter regarding Licensee.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following disciplinary action shall be taken against Licensee's license to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery:

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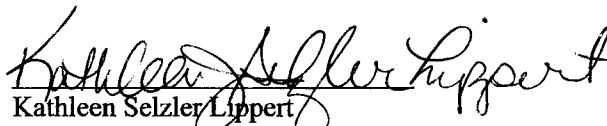
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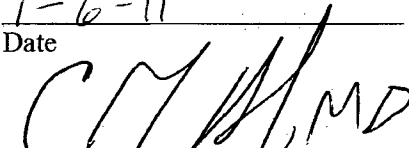
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IT IS SO ORDERED on this 8th day of October, 2010.

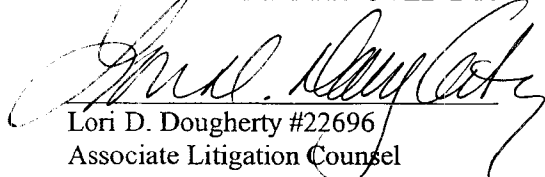
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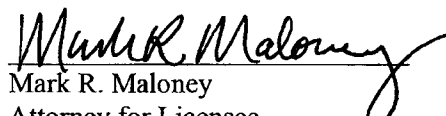
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Cathy Brown, hereby certify that I served a true and correct copy of the Consent Order by United States mail, postage prepaid, on this 6th day of January, 2011 ~~October, 2010~~, to the following:

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And the original was hand-filed with:

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