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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF **EDDIE SANTIAGO JR., M.D.** **LICENSE NO. 25MA07319500** TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION **INTERIM CONSENT ORDER**

This matter was opened to the State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") upon the filing of a Motion to Enforce Litigant's Rights and an Administrative Complaint on June 20, 2014, with a return date of July 9, 2014. Both the Motion and Complaint allege that Respondent, Eddie Santiago, M.D., violated a Private Letter Agreement with the Board and his continuing prescribing of Controlled Dangerous Substances ("CDS") presents a danger to the public.

A hearing on the Acting Attorney General's application was scheduled for July 9, 2014. Respondent seeks an adjournment of the return date of the Motion to Enforce Litigant's Rights until August 13, 2014 or a later date consented to by the parties.

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The Board, finding the within disposition to be adequately protective of the public health, safety, and welfare, and for good cause shown,

It is on the 8th day of July 2014,

ORDERED AND AGREED:

1. Respondent Eddie Santiago, Jr., M.D. is hereby granted leave and shall voluntarily and immediately cease and desist from the issuance of any prescription for, or dispensation of any Controlled Dangerous Substance ("CDS") pending the disposition of the Motion to Enforce Litigant's Rights which is adjourned until August 13, 2014 or a later date consented to by the parties. This Order is entered into without any admissions and without prejudice to any response or defense Respondent may raise to the Acting Attorney General's Motion.

2. With the consent of the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs, and pursuant to his authority under N.J.S.A. 24:21-9 et. seq., Respondent's New Jersey Controlled Dangerous Substances ("CDS") registrations, Nos. D08073800 and D08073801, are temporarily suspended pending further order of the Director. This CDS prescribing restriction is independent of any action taken by the State Board of Medical Examiners, Drug Enforcement Administration or any other licensing authority. If the Motion to Enforce Litigant's Rights is not granted by the Board, he may seek an order from the Director lifting the CDS temporary suspension. The Director will consider the factors enumerated in N.J.S.A. 24:21-11 and determine, in his sole

discretion, if, and under what circumstances, the temporary suspension of Respondent's NJ CDS Registration should be lifted.

3. Respondent shall immediately return his original New Jersey CDS registration to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners, P.O. Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183.

4. Respondent shall immediately notify the Drug Enforcement Agency of this Order.

5. Counsel for Respondent shall file any response to the Motion to Enforce Litigant's Rights with the Board with a copy to Lisa N. Brown, DAG on or before August 4, 2014.

6. The parties hereby stipulate that entry of this Order is without prejudice to further action, by this Board, the Attorney General, the Drug Control Unit, the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs or other law enforcement entities resulting from Respondent's conduct prior to the entry of this Order and without prejudice to the further prosecution of the allegations contained in the Administrative Complaint filed with the Board of Medical Examiners on June 20, 2014.

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By: George Scott DO. FACOFP
George Scott, D.P.M., D.O.
President

I have read and understood the within Order and agree to be bound by its terms.

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Eddie Santiago, Jr. M.D.

Consent is hereby given as to the form ~~and entry~~ of this Order.

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