

State Board of Medical Examiners  
Open Disciplinary Minutes  
April 14, 2004

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners was held on Wednesday, April 14, 2004 at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, 25 Market Street, 4th Floor, Conference Center, Trenton, New Jersey for Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion, open to the public. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Glenn Farrell, Chairperson for Open Disciplinary Matters.

**PRESENT**

Board Members Chen, Criss, Desmond, Farrell, Haddad, Harrer, Moussa, Paul, Patel, Perry, Robins, Rokosz, Trayner, Wallace, Walsh and Weiss.

**EXCUSED**

Board Members Huston, Lucas and Ricketti.

**ALSO PRESENT**

Assistant Attorney General Joyce, Senior Deputy Attorney General Dick, Deputy Attorneys General Ehrenkrantz, Flanzman, Kenny, Warhaftig and Executive Director Roeder and Medical Director Gluck.

**RATIFICATION OF BOARD MINUTES**

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE MARCH 10, 2004 OPEN DISCIPLINARY BOARD MINUTES AS SUBMITTED.**

**HEARINGS, PLEAS, RETURN DATES, APPEARANCES**

11:00 a.m. - ANDUJAR, Edward M.D., Pro se (License # MA52473)  
(Counseling D.A.G.: DICK, Sandra Y.)

**KENNY, Paul R., D.A.G. for Complainant**

This Matter was set down based on an Order to Show Cause, Notice of Hearing and Requirement to File Answer filed on March 23, 2004 seeking the suspension or revocation of Respondent Edward Andujar, M.D. to practice medicine and surgery and for such other relief deemed appropriate. The hearing was a result of Dr. Andujar's February 6, 2004 conviction on federal charges of bankruptcy fraud and tax evasion spanning a five-year period. Enclosed were D.A.G. Kenny's Certification and letter brief along with the Verified Complaint (with Exhibits A - G), all filed on March 23, 2004 with exhibits marked A through G. To date, Dr. Andujar had not submitted his Answer to the Verified Complaint.

**THIS MATTER WAS ADJOURNED AND RESCHEDULED FOR THE MAY 12, 2004 STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS MEETING.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. ZAHL, Kenneth, M.D. (License #MA 56413)  
(FLANZMAN, Steven N., Counseling D.A.G.)**

**JACKSON, John Zen, Esq., for Respondent  
HAFNER, Doreen D.A.G. for Complainant**

The Board was requested to accept, reject, or modify the enclosed copy of Consent Order in Settlement of

Motions to Modify May 5, 2003 Order in the Kenneth Zahl, M.D. matter.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT ORDER FOR THE REASONS STATED THEREIN IN SETTLEMENT OF PENDING MOTIONS TO MODIFY MAY 5, 2003 ORDER.

**2. MEHTA, Lalitkumar H., M. D. (License # MA40545) (LEVINE, Debra, W.: Counseling D.A.G.)**

**FARBER, Zulima V., Esq. for Respondent**  
**GARCIA, Alexandra D.A.G. for Complainant**

Drs. Haddad and Patel recused from vote and discussion in this matter.

Dr. Mehta appeared before a Committee of the Board on March 10, 2004 on an application by Deputy Attorney General Garcia for the temporary suspension of Dr. Mehta's license based on the Verified Complaint filed February 25, 2004. Dr. Mehta was indicted in Hudson County on February 18, 2004 on two counts of criminal sexual contact in the fourth degree as a violation of N.J.S.A. 2:C14-3B, committed against two female patients referred to here as "MN" and "JN." The Committee of the Board recommended a temporary suspension of Dr. Mehta's license until such time as the conclusion of the plenary hearing in this matter. Enclosed for Board ratification was the Order of Temporary Suspension of Licensure filed April 5, 2004. The temporary suspension was effective March 24, 2004. Also enclosed for Board review were the March 10, 2004 transcript of Dr. Mehta's Committee appearance; the Order to Show Cause; D.A.G. Garcia's Letter Brief and Verified Complaint (with Exhibits A - F) all filed February 25, 2004; Respondent's Answer to the Verified Complaint filed March 3, 2004; and Ms. Farber's March 8, 2004 letter with Exhibits A - E and Certifications of Vanessa Ramirez and Yandy Feliciano.

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO RATIFY THE DECISION RENDERED BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD FOR THE REASONS STATED THEREIN.**

**3. PRINTZ, Bruce I., D.O. (License #MB40791)**  
**(FLANZMAN, Steven N.: Counseling D.A.G.)**

**SURGENT, Jay, Esq., for Respondent**  
**MATTHEWS, Megan K., D.A.G. for Complainant**

Dr. Printz appeared before a Committee of the Board on March 10, 2004 on an application by Deputy Attorney General Matthews for the temporary suspension of Dr. Printz' license, based on the Verified Complaint filed February 24, 2004. Dr. Printz was indicted in Middlesex County on February 1, 2004 on three counts of criminal sexual contact in the fourth degree as a violation of N.J.S.A. 2:C14-3B, committed against three female patients referred to here as "JM" , "TC" and "KC". The Committee of the Board recommended a temporary suspension of Dr. Printz' license until such time as the conclusion of the plenary hearing in this matter. Enclosed for Board ratification was the Order Imposing Temporary Suspension of Licensure filed March 24, 2004, the date the temporary suspension was effective. Also enclosed for Board review were the March 10, 2004 transcript of Dr. Printz' Committee appearance; the Order to Show Cause, Verified Complaint (with Exhibits A - I), and D.A.G. Matthews' letter brief and Certification, all filed February 24, 2004; and Mr. Surgent's March 5, 2004 letter brief with attachments which included Dr. Printz's Answer to the Verified Complaint.

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO RATIFY THE DECISION RENDERED BY THE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD FOR THE REASONS STATED THEREIN.**

\*\*It was noted that the court reporter's transcription was incomplete and had one hour of testimony missing in the transcript.

**4. GOLDSTEIN, Jerrold B., D.O.**  
**(Counseling D.A.G.: DICK, Sandra Y.)**

**GREENBERG, Carl, Esq., for Respondent**  
**BAUDRY, Adriana E., D.A.G., for Complainant**

Dr. Robins recused from vote and discussion in this matter.

This matter was currently at the Office of Administrative Law for hearing. On April 1, 2004, Carl Greenberg, Esq., filed with the Board the enclosed NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR INTERLOCUTORY REVIEW BY THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS (with attachments), of the trial court's denial of Respondent's motion to bar Gerald Stock, M.D., from testifying as the State's expert in this matter. The hearing at OAL was scheduled for April 12, 2004, prior to the Board's April 14, 2004 meeting. The trial court denied their application to stay that hearing. Respondent requested that the Board either stay the hearing or hear this request for review on an expedited basis. Also enclosed were D.A.G. Baudry's Letter Brief with attachments filed April 6, 2004, in opposition, and Mr. Paldino's April 2, 2004 letter enclosing the Order denying Dr. Goldstein's motion to bar Dr. Stock, as well as the Order denying Dr. Goldstein's application for a stay.

The above documents were provided to Vice President Farrell for his review and consideration, in the absence of Board President Wallace. Mr. Farrell had carefully reviewed the submissions of the parties as well as the letter decision and orders of the Administrative Law Judge, and found that the Administrative Law Judge's well-articulated opinion presents a compelling and appropriate review of the matter and affirmed her orders for the reasons expressed in her opinion of March 8, 2004. Board ratification of Mr. Farrell's decision was requested.

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO RATIFY MR. FARRELL'S DECISION TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR INTERLOCUTORY REVIEW.**

\*\*It was noted that Appellate Court affirmed the denial to bar the testimony of Dr. Stock rendered by the ALJ.

**5. SHARMA, Vinod, M.D., License #MA51100**  
**PEREZ, Mileidy, D.A.G.**

A Provisional Order of Discipline (POD) was filed January 15, 2004 which would suspend the license of Dr. Sharma until such time as his license to practice medicine in Michigan is reinstated. Enclosed for Board consideration were D.A.G. Perez' March 22, 2004 letter to the Board, Dr. Sharma's February 9, 2004 response to the POD with attachments, and the POD filed January 15, 2004. The Board was asked to determine whether Dr. Sharma's submission merits modification or withdrawal of the POD, establishes a need for further proceedings such as an evidentiary hearing, or does not persuade the Board that there are issues which merit further consideration, in which case the POD would be finalized with a Final Order of Discipline.

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO FINALIZE THE PROVISIONAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE IN THE MATTER OF DR. SHARMA.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

The meeting ended at 2:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Glenn Farrell Esq.,  
Vice President  
Chairperson for Open  
Disciplinary Matters

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