BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

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MICHAEL S. YASINSKI, M.D.

In the Matter of

Holder of License No. 44236 For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine In the State of Arizona. Case No. MD-18-0737A

INTERIM CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR PRACTICE RESTRICTION

INTERIM CONSENT AGREEMENT

Michael S. Yasinski, M.D. ("Respondent") elects to permanently waive any right to a hearing and appeal with respect to this Interim Consent Agreement for Practice Restriction and consents to the entry of this Order by the Arizona Medical Board ("Board").

INTERIM FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 2. Respondent is the holder of License No. 44236 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 3. The Board initiated case number MD-18-0737A on August 3, 2018 after receiving a self-report from Respondent that he had received a DUI in February, 2018 and some misdemeanor charges in March, 2018.
- 4. On February 1, 2018, Respondent was charged with speeding, failure to provide proof of insurance, DUI, DUI greater than .08 BAC, and illegal possession of a prescription drugs. Respondent subsequently entered into a plea agreement for a single DUI charge.
- 5. On March 9, 2018, Respondent was charged with misdemeanor charges arising out of a fight with his girlfriend at their residence. On August 11, 2018 the State's motion to dismiss the charges was granted without prejudice.

- 6. During the course of the Board's investigation, Respondent admitted to prescribing controlled substances to a patient without maintaining adequate medical records.
- 7. On August 23, 2018, Respondent was issued interim orders to complete an assessment with the Board's Physician Health Program ("PHP") within 10 days, as well as a neuropsychological evaluation within 60 days. The neuropsychological evaluation was required to be scheduled within 14 days from the date of the Order.
- 8. On September 17, 2018, Respondent completed a PHP assessment. Respondent admitted to having a substance use disorder. Respondent's urine drug screen was positive for non-prescribed controlled substances. The Assessor opined that Respondent was not safe to practice pending completion of an inpatient evaluation ad a Board-approved facility.
- 9. Respondent did not timely schedule his neuropsychological evaluation, and did not timely complete the PHP assessment.
- 10. The aforementioned information was presented to the investigative staff, the medical consultant and the lead Board member. All reviewed the information and concur that the interim consent agreement to restrict Respondent's practice is appropriate.
- 11. The investigation into this matter is pending and will be forwarded to the Board promptly upon completion for review and action.

INTERIM CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over Respondent.
- 2. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1405(C)(25) the Executive Director has authority to enter into a consent agreement when there is evidence of danger to the public health and safety.

3. Pursuant to A.A.C. R4-16-504, the Executive Director may enter into an interim consent agreement when there is evidence that a restriction is needed to mitigate imminent danger to the public's health and safety. Investigative staff, the Board's medical consultant and the lead Board member have reviewed the case and concur that an interim consent agreement is appropriate.

<u>INTERIM ORDER</u>

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Respondent is prohibited from engaging in the practice of medicine in the State of Arizona as set forth in A.R.S. § 32-1401(22) until Respondent applies to the Executive Director and receives permission to do so.¹
- 2. Respondent may request, in writing, release and/or modification of this Interim Consent Agreement. Respondent's request must be accompanied by information demonstrating that Respondent is safe to practice medicine. The Executive Director, in consultation with and agreement of the lead Board member and the Chief Medical Consultant, has the discretion to determine whether it is appropriate to release Respondent from this Interim Consent Agreement.
- 3. The Board retains jurisdiction and may initiate new action based upon any violation of this Interim Consent Agreement, including, but not limited to, summarily suspending Respondent's license.
- 4. Because this is an Interim Consent Agreement and not a final decision by the Board regarding the pending investigation, it is subject to further consideration by the Board. Once the investigation is complete, it will be promptly provided to the Board for its review and appropriate action.

¹ The August 23, 2018 Interim Order For Neuropsychological Evaluation is tolled as of the effective date of this Consent Agreement.

5. This Interim Consent Agreement shall be effective on the date signed by the Board's Executive Director.

DATED this 27th day of Splember, 2018.

ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

Patricia E. McSorley
Executive Director

RECITALS

Respondent understands and agrees that:

- 1. The Board, through its Executive Director, may adopt this Interim Consent Agreement, or any part thereof, pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1405(C)(25) and A.A.C. R4-16-504.
- 2. Respondent has read and understands this Interim Consent Agreement as set forth herein, and has had the opportunity to discuss this Interim Consent Agreement with an attorney or has waived the opportunity to discuss this Interim Consent Agreement with an attorney. Respondent voluntarily enters into this Interim Consent Agreement and by doing so agrees to abide by all of its terms and conditions.
- 3. By entering into this Interim Consent Agreement, Respondent freely and voluntarily relinquishes all rights to an administrative hearing on the matters set forth herein, as well as all rights of rehearing, review, reconsideration, appeal, judicial review or any other administrative and/or judicial action, concerning the matters related to the Interim Consent Agreement.

- 4. Respondent understands that this Interim Consent Agreement does not constitute a dismissal or resolution of this matter or any matters that may be currently pending before the Board and does not constitute any waiver, express or implied, of the Board's statutory authority or jurisdiction regarding this or any other pending or future investigations, actions, or proceedings. Respondent also understands that acceptance of this Interim Consent Agreement does not preclude any other agency, subdivision, or officer of this State from instituting civil or criminal proceedings with respect to the conduct that is the subject of this Interim Consent Agreement. Respondent further does not relinquish Respondent's rights to an administrative hearing, rehearing, review, reconsideration, judicial review or any other administrative and/or judicial action, concerning the matters related to a final disposition of this matter, unless Respondent affirmatively does so as part of the final resolution of this matter.
- 5. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that upon signing this Interim Consent Agreement and returning it to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke Respondent's acceptance of this Interim Consent Agreement or make any modifications to it. Any modification of this original document is ineffective and void unless mutually approved by the parties in writing.
- 6. Respondent understands that this Interim Consent Agreement shall not become effective unless and until it is signed by the Board's Executive Director.
- 7. Respondent understands and agrees that if the Board's Executive Director does not adopt this Interim Consent Agreement, Respondent will not assert in any future proceedings that the Board's consideration of this Interim Consent Agreement constitutes bias, prejudice, prejudgment, or other similar defense.

8. Respondent understands that this Interim Consent Agreement is a public record that may be publicly disseminated as a formal action of the Board, and that it shall be reported as required by law to the National Practitioner Data Bank.

- 9. Respondent understands that this Interim Consent Agreement does not alleviate Respondent's responsibility to comply with the applicable license-renewal statutes and rules. If this Interim Consent Agreement remains in effect at the time Respondent's allopathic medical license comes up for renewal, Respondent must renew the license if Respondent wishes to retain the license. If Respondent elects not to renew the license as prescribed by statute and rule, Respondent's license will not expire but rather, by operation of law (A.R.S. § 32-3202), become suspended until the Board takes final action in this matter. Once the Board takes final action, in order for Respondent to be licensed in the future, Respondent must submit a new application for licensure and meet all of the requirements set forth in the statutes and rules at that time.
- 10. Respondent understands that any violation of this Interim Consent Agreement constitutes unprofessional conduct under A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(r) ("[v]iolating a formal order, probation, consent agreement or stipulation issued or entered into by the board or its executive director under this chapter.").

MICHAEL S. YASINSKI, M.D.

DATED: 9127118

EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing e-mailed this 25 day of 40 to:

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ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this this day of September 2018 with:

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