# BEFORE THE MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation	)	
Against:	)	
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LAWRENCE ROBERT CRONIN, M.D.	)	Case No. 8002015011000
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Physician's and Surgeon's	)	
Certificate No. G54386	)	
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Respondent	)	
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# **DECISION**

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on August 28, 2015

IT IS SO ORDERED August 21, 2015

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

Kimberly Kirchmeyer

**Executive Director** 

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9	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUM STATE OF CALIFO		
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11	In the Matter of the First Amended Accusation Against:	Case No.: 800-2015-011000	
12	LAWRENCE ROBERT CRONIN, M.D.	STIPULATED SURRENDER OF LICENSE	
13	7333 E. Tanque Verde Road Tucson, AZ 85715		
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15	Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G54386		
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17	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED	by and between the parties in this	
18	proceeding, that the following matters are true:		
19	1. Kimberly Kirchmeyer (Complainant) is the		
20	Board of California. This action has at all times been ma	intained solely in the official capacity of	
21	the Executive Director of the Medical Board of Californ	ia, who is represented by Kamala D.	
22	Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, by Ja	ane Zack Simon, Supervising Deputy	
23	Attorney General.		
24	2. Lawrence Robert Cronin, M.D. (Respond	lent) is represented in this proceeding by	
25	Gregory Abrams of Abrams Health Law, 6045 Shirley D	Orive, Oakland, CA 94611.	
26	3. Respondent has received, read, discussed	with counsel and understands the First	
27	Amended Accusation (Accusation) which is presently or	n file and pending in case number 800-	
28	2015-011000 a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A.		
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- 4. Respondent has carefully read, discussed with counsel and understands the charges and allegations in the Accusation. Respondent also has carefully read, discussed with counsel and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License (Stipulation.)
- 5. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 6. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.
- 7. Respondent agrees that based on the action taken by the Arizona Medical Board as alleged in the Accusation, cause exists to discipline his California physician's and surgeon's certificate pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 141 and 2305. Respondent wishes to surrender his California license at this time.
- 8. Pursuant to section 2224(b) of the Business and Professions Code, this Stipulation for Surrender of License shall be subject to the approval of the Board. Respondent understands and agrees that the Medical Board's staff and counsel for Complainant may communicate directly with the Board regarding this Stipulation without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing this Stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the Stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. In the event that this Stipulation is rejected for any reason by the Board, it will be of no force or effect for either party. The Board will not be disqualified from further action in this matter by virtue of its consideration of this Stipulation.

- 9. Upon acceptance of this Stipulation by the Board, Respondent understands that he will no longer be permitted to practice as a physician and surgeon in California, and also agrees to surrender and cause to be delivered to the Board any license and wallet certificate in his possession before the effective date of the decision.
- 10. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Medical Board or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.
- Respondent fully understands and agrees that if he ever files an application for relicensure or reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement, and Respondent must comply with all laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed.
- and surgeon for a period of three (3) years from the effective date of his surrender. Information gathered in connection with First Amended Accusation number 800-2015-011000 may be considered by the Board in determining whether or not the grant the petition for reinstatement. For the purposes of the reinstatement hearing, the allegations contained in First Amended Accusation number 800-2015-011000 shall be deemed to be admitted by Respondent, and Respondent waives any and all defenses based on a claim of laches or the statute of limitations.
- 13. The parties understand and agree that facsimile or electronic copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License, including facsimile or electronic signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

# **ACCEPTANCE**

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of License, and have discussed it with my counsel. I enter into it freely and voluntarily and with full knowledge of its force and effect do hereby surrender my Physician and Surgeon's Certificate Number G54386 to the Medical Board of California, for its formal acceptance. By signing this stipulation to surrender my license, I recognize that upon its formal acceptance by the Board, I will lose all rights and privileges to practice as a physician and surgeon in the State of California and I also will cause to

1	be delivered to the Board any license and wallet certificate in my possession before the effective
2	date of the decision
3	DATED: 18/15
4	LAWRENCE ROBERT CRONIN, M.D.  Respondent
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6	<u>APPROVAL</u>
7	I have fully discussed with Respondent Lawrence Robert Cronin, M.D. the terms and
8	conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Surrender of License and approve
9	its form and content.
10	DATED: 4 /27 /20/3
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12	GREGORY ABRAMS Abrams Health Law
13	Attorneys for Respondent
14	Automeys for Respondent
15	<u>ENDORSEMENT</u>
16	The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License is hereby respectfully submitted for
17	consideration by the Medical Board of California.
18	DATED: $7/30/2015$ KAMALA D. HARRIS
19	Attorney General of the State of California
20	Machaele Minjardi for
21	JANE ZACK SIMON Supervising Deputy Attorney General
22	Attorneys for Complainant
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# **EXHIBIT A**

Accusation, Case No. 800-2015-011000

1	KAMALA D. HARRIS	FILED
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12	Against:	FIRST AMENDED ACCUSATION
13	LAWRENCE ROBERT CRONIN, M.D. 7333 E. Tanque Verde Road	
14	Tucson, AZ 85715	
15	Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No.	
16	G54386	
17	Respondent.	
18	The Complainant alleges:	
19	1. Kimberly Kirchmeyer (Complain	ant) is the Executive Director of the Medical
20	Board of California, Department of Consumer A	Affairs, and brings this First Amended Accusation
21	solely in her official capacity.	
22	2. On March 11, 1985, Physician's	and Surgeon's Certificate No. G54386 was issued
23	by the Medical Board of California to Lawrence	Robert Cronin, M.D. (Respondent.) The
24	certificate is renewed and current with an expiration date of July 31, 2016.	
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First Amended Accusation

#### JURISDICTION

- 3. This First Amended Accusation is brought before the Medical Board of California (Board) under the authority of the following sections of the California Business and Professions Code (Code) and/or other relevant statutory enactment:
  - A. Section 2227 of the Code provides in part that the Board may revoke, suspend for a period not to exceed one year, or place on probation, the license of any licensee who has been found guilty under the Medical Practice Act, and may recover the costs of probation monitoring.
  - B. Section 2305 of the Code provides, in part, that the revocation, suspension, or other discipline, restriction or limitation imposed by another state upon a license to practice medicine issued by that state, or the revocation, suspension, or restriction of the authority to practice medicine by any agency of the federal government, that would have been grounds for discipline in California under the Medical Practice Act, constitutes grounds for discipline for unprofessional conduct.
    - C. Section 141 of the Code provides:
    - "(a) For any licensee holding a license issued by a board under the jurisdiction of a department, a disciplinary action taken by another state, by any agency of the federal government, or by another country for any act substantially related to the practice regulated by the California license, may be a ground for disciplinary action by the respective state licensing board. A certified copy of the record of the disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, an agency of the federal government, or by another country shall be conclusive evidence of the events related therein.
    - (b) Nothing in this section shall preclude a board from applying a specific statutory provision in the licensing act administered by the board that provides for discipline based upon a disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, an agency of the federal government, or another country."

#### FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Discipline, Restriction, or Limitation Imposed by Another State)

4. On December 22, 2014, the Arizona Medical Board issued an Interim Consent Agreement for Practice Restriction (Interim Agreement) regarding Respondent's license to practice medicine in Arizona. The Interim Agreement was based on allegations that Respondent, psychiatrist, engaged in a sexual relationship with a female patient that was initiated during the

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patient-physician relationship. Under the terms of the Interim Agreement, Respondent was prohibited from engaging in the practice of medicine until he applied to the Arizona Medical Board and received permission to do so. A copy of the Interim Consent Agreement for Practice Restriction issued by the Arizona Medical Board is attached as Exhibit A.

On June 4, 2015, the Arizona Medical Board issued an Order for Surrender of License and Consent to the Same (Order for Surrender.) The Order for Surrender includes factual findings that Respondent provided psychiatric treatment to a patient from 2008-2014. He engaged in a sexual relationship with his patient from September 2013 until September 2014. A medical consultant who reviewed the patient's chart determined that Respondent departed from the standard of care with regard to prescription of hypnotic agents to the patient, and failed to appropriately document an assessment for substance abuse or dependence, allegations which were denied by Respondent. In January 2015, Respondent completed a comprehensive psychosexual evaluation. At the conclusion of the evaluation, Respondent was deemed unsafe to practice, and it was recommended that he undergo a 90-day intensive residential treatment program to address professional sexual boundary violations and maladaptive personality traits identified during the course of the evaluation as well as adhere to any discharge recommendations made by the treatment facility. Respondent presented for inpatient treatment on January 23, 2015. He was administratively discharged on April 7, 2015 due in part to violation of program guidelines. As a result the facility determined that Respondent reached the maximum treatment benefit for the program. The facility's discharge recommendation was that Respondent remained unsafe to practice absent additional treatment, and that he not return to practice absent at least a year of physician supervised treatment and re-evaluation after a sustained period of sobriety from compulsive behaviors or boundary violations. A copy of the Order for Surrender of License and Consent to the Same issued by the Arizona Medical Board is attached as Exhibit B.

Respondent's conduct and the actions of the Arizona Medical Board as set forth in 5. paragraph 4, above, constitutes cause for discipline pursuant to sections 2305 and/or 141 of the Code.

# **PRAYER** 1 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein 2 alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board issue a decision: 3 Revoking or suspending Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number G54386 1. 4 5 issued to respondent Lawrence Robert Cronin, M.D.; Revoking, suspending or denying approval of Respondent's authority to supervise 2. 6 physician assistants; 7 Ordering Respondent, if placed on probation, to pay the costs of probation 3. 8 9 monitoring; and Taking such other and further action as the Board deems necessary and proper. 4. 10 11 DATED: July 7 12 . 2015 13 Medical Board of California 14 Department of Consumer Affairs State of California 15 Complainant 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

# BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

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In the Matter of

Lawrence Cronin, M.D.

In the State of Arizona.

Holder of License No. 18696

For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine

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Case No. MD-14-1469A

INTERIM CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR PRACTICE RESTRICTION

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INTERIM CONSENT AGREEMENT

Lawrence Cronin, 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. 18696 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 3. The Board initiated case number MD-14-1469A after receiving a report that Respondent had been involved in an inappropriate sexual relationship with a patient.
- 4. According to the report, Respondent is alleged to have engaged in a sexual relationship with a female patient that was initiated during the patient-physician relationship.
- 5. 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.

6. The investigation into MD14-1469A is pending and will return 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.

# INTERIM ORDER

### 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 he applies to the Board and receives permission to do so.
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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.

4. This Interim Consent Agreement shall be effective on the date signed by the Board's 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 his 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 he 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 his 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, he 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 his 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, he must renew his license if Respondent wishes to retain his license. If Respondent elects not to renew his 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, he must submit a new application for licensure and meet all of the requirements set forth in the statutes and rules at that time.

Respondent understands that any violation of this Interim Consent 10. 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").

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Lawrence Cronin M.D.	

Patricia McSorlev Interim Acting Executive Director

ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

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EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing e-mailed this 200 day of December, 2014 to:

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BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

In the Matter of

LAWRENCE CRONIN, M.D.

Holder of License No. 18696 For the Practice of Medicine In the State of Arizona. Case No. MD-14-1469A

ORDER FOR SURRENDER OF LICENSE AND CONSENT TO THE SAME

Lawrence Cronin, M.D. ("Respondent"), elects to permanently waive any right to a hearing and appeal with respect to this Order for Surrender of License; admits the jurisdiction of the Arizona Medical Board ("Board"); and consents to the entry of this Order by the Board.

## **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 number 18696 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 3. The Board initiated case number MD-14-1469A after receiving a complaint regarding Respondent's care and treatment of a female patient ("RH") alleging that Respondent engaged in a sexual relationship with RH while Respondent was her treating psychiatrist/therapist. The complaint also alleged that Respondent overmedicated RH with hypnotic agents.
- 4. Respondent began to treat RH on November 17, 2008 in an outpatient clinic setting. Respondent thereafter provided outpatient psychiatric care to RH until April 29, 2014. Respondent admitted during the course of the investigation that he and RH had a sexual relationship that commenced in September of 2013 and lasted until September of 2014.

- 5. The matter was reviewed by a Medical Consultant who identified deviations from the standard of care with regard to Respondent's prescription of hypnotic agents to RH. The MC also found that Respondent failed to appropriately document an assessment for substance abuse or dependence for RH. Respondent denies that he breached the standard of care with regard to prescribing medications to RH and affirmatively asserts that his documentation was adequate
- Based on a review of the available evidence, and in consultation with the Board's medical consultant, who agreed that an evaluation was necessary, the Executive Director issued a Confidential Interim Order for a Psychosexual Evaluation pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1451(C) and A.A.C. R4-16-501 on December 22, 2014. The Interim Order required Respondent to both obtain an appropriate evaluation as well as complete any treatment recommendations made by the evaluating facility. Additionally on that same date, Respondent entered into a non-confidential Interim Order for Practice Restriction that prohibited Respondent from practicing medicine in the State of Arizona until he applied to the Board and received permission to do so.
- 7. On January 6 through 8, 2015, Respondent successfully completed a comprehensive psychosexual evaluation at a Board approved facility. At the conclusion of the evaluation, Respondent was deemed unsafe to practice to a reasonable degree of medical probability. It was recommended that prior to resuming the active practice of medicine, Respondent undergo a 90-day intensive, residential treatment program to address professional sexual boundary violations and maladaptive personality traits identified during the course of the evaluation as well as adhere to any discharge recommendations made by the treatment facility.
- 8. Respondent presented for inpatient treatment on January 23, 2015. He was administratively discharged on April 7, 2015 due in part to violations of program guidelines.

As a result, the facility determined that Respondent reached the maximum treatment benefit for the program. The facility's discharge recommendation was that Respondent remained unsafe to practice absent additional treatment, including that Respondent not return to the practice of medicine absent at least a year of treatment supervised by a physician approved by the Board and until he obtains a re-evaluation after a sustained period of sobriety from compulsive behaviors or boundary violations. As of the date of this consent order, Respondent asserts that he is following all of the recommendations of the treatment facility for ongoing supervised treatment.

 Respondent admits to the acts described above and that they constitute unprofessional conduct.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over Respondent.
- 2. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(q) ("[a]ny conduct or practice that is or might be harmful or dangerous to the health of the patient or the public.").
- 3. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional conduct pursuant to 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.").
- 4. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(z) ("[e]ngaging in sexual conduct with a current patient or with a former patient within six months after the last medical consultation unless the patient was the licensee's spouse at the time of the contact or, immediately preceding the physician-patient relationship, was in a dating or engagement relationship with the

licensee. For the purposes of this subdivision, "sexual conduct" includes: (i) Engaging in or soliciting sexual relationships, whether consensual or nonconsensual. (ii) Making sexual advances, requesting sexual favors or engaging in any other verbal conduct or physical contact of a sexual nature. (iii) Intentionally viewing a completely or partially disrobed patient in the course of treatment if the viewing is not related to patient diagnosis or treatment under current practice standards.").

5. The Board possesses statutory authority to enter into a consent agreement with a physician and accept the surrender of an active license from a physician who admits to being unable to safely engage in the practice of medicine and having committed an act of unprofessional conduct. A.R.S. § 32-1451(T)(1) and (2).

#### ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT Respondent immediately surrender License Number 18696, issued to Lawrence Cronin, M.D., for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona, and return his certificate of licensure to the Board.

ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

By: ////Xex C-//
Patricia E. McSorley
Executive Director

#### CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER

1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and the stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Order"). Respondent acknowledges he has the right to consult with legal counsel regarding this matter.

- 2. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that this Order is entered into freely and voluntarily and that no promise was made or coercion used to induce such entry.
- 3. By consenting to this Order, Respondent voluntarily relinquishes any rights to a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged, or to challenge this Order in its entirety as issued by the Board, and waives any other cause of action related thereto or arising from said Order.
- 4. The Order is not effective until approved by the Board and signed by its Executive Director.
- 5. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for final disposition of this matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or any other state or federal court.
- 6. Upon signing this agreement, and returning this document (or a copy thereof) to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke the consent to the entry of the Order. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Any modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved by the parties.
- 7. This Order is a public record that will be publicly disseminated as a formal disciplinary action of the Board and will be reported to the National Practitioner's Data Bank and on the Board's web site as a disciplinary action.
- 8. If any part of the Order is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect.

1	9. If the Board does not adopt this Order, Respondent will not assert as a
2	defense that the Board's consideration of the Order constitutes bias, prejudice,
3	prejudgment or other similar defense.
4	10. Respondent has read and understands the terms of this agreement.
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6	2000 Dated: 5/29/15
7	LAWRENCE CRONIN, M.D.
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9	EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed by US Mail this 4th day of June, 2015 to:
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3	Attorney for Respondent
14	ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this <u>U+h</u> day of June, 2015 with:
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17	Scottsdale, AZ 85258
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