

**BEFORE THE
OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF
CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Alexander Hazel, DO

**Osteopathic Physician's & Surgeon's
Certificate No. 20A 8379**

Respondent.

Case No.: 900-2023-000406

DECISION AND ORDER

and

Order Correcting Clerical Error

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Order is hereby adopted by the Osteopathic Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

On its own motion, the Osteopathic Medical Board of California (hereafter "Board") finds that there is a clerical error on page 16 of the Stipulated Settlement and Order (900-2023-00406). The following language from page 16, lines 11-12: that meets the criteria of Condition 18 of the current version of the Board's "Manual of Model Disciplinary Orders and Disciplinary Guidelines" is removed and replaced with the following language: approved by the Board, or it's designee,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED in the Decision and Order in the above-entitled matter be and hereby is amended and corrected nunc pro tunc.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on July 9, 2025.

IT IS SO ORDERED: June 9, 2025.



For the Osteopathic Medical Board of
California, Department of Consumer Affairs

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13 **ALEXANDER HAZEL, D.O.**
14 **2510 N. California Street**
Stockton, CA 95204

STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND
ORDER

15 **Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's**
16 **Certificate No. 20A 8379**

17 Respondent.

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19 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
20 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

21 **PARTIES**

22 1. Erika Calderon (Complainant) is the Executive Director of the Osteopathic Medical
23 Board of California (Board). She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is
24 represented in this matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Kalev
25 Kaseoru, Deputy Attorney General.

26 2. Respondent Alexander Hazel, D.O. (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by
27 attorney Peter Osinoff, Esq., whose address is: 355 South Grand Avenue, Suite 1750, Los
28 Angeles, California, 90071-1562.

3. On or about September 26, 2003, Osteopathic Medical Board of California issued Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number 20A 8379 to Alexander Hazel, D.O. (Respondent). The Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on December 31, 2026, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 900-2023-000406 was filed before the Board, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent. This stipulation shall serve as Respondent's Notice of Defense.

5. A copy of Accusation No. 900-2023-000406 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

6. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 900-2023-000406. Respondent has also carefully read, fully discussed with his counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Order.

7. 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 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.

8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

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1 **CULPABILITY**

2 9. Respondent understands and agrees that the cause for action and allegations in
3 Accusation No. 900-2023-000406, if proven at hearing, constitute cause for imposing restrictions
4 upon his Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate.

5 10. Respondent agrees that, at a hearing, Complainant could establish a factual basis for
6 the causes for action in the Accusation, and that Respondent hereby gives up his right to contest
7 those causes of action.

8 11. Respondent does not contest that, at an administrative hearing, complainant could
9 establish a prima facie case with respect to the causes for action and allegations in Accusation No.
10 900-2023-000406, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, and that he
11 has thereby subjected his Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. 20A 8379 to
12 action.

13 **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

14 12. Respondent acknowledges the Disciplinary Order below, requiring the disclosure of
15 probation pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 2459.4, serves to protect the public
16 interest.

17 13. Respondent agrees that his Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate is
18 subject to action and agrees to be bound by the Board's probationary terms as set forth in the
19 Order below.

20 **RESERVATION**

21 14. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this
22 proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Osteopathic Medical Board of California or
23 other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal
24 or civil proceeding.

25 **CONTINGENCY**

26 15. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Osteopathic Medical Board of
27 California. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the
28 Osteopathic Medical Board of California may communicate directly with the Board regarding this

1 stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By
2 signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his
3 agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it.
4 If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and
5 Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal
6 action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having
7 considered this matter.

8 16. This Stipulated Settlement and Order is intended by the parties herein to be an
9 integrated writing representing the complete, final and exclusive embodiment of the agreement of
10 the parties in this above entitled matter.

11 17. Respondent agrees that if he ever petitions for early termination or modification of
12 probation, or if an accusation and/or petition to revoke probation is filed against him before the
13 Board, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 900-2023-000406 shall be
14 deemed true, correct and fully admitted by respondent for purposes of any such proceeding or any
15 other licensing proceeding involving Respondent in the State of California.

16 18. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile
17 copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto,
18 shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

19 19. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that
20 the Board may, without further notice or opportunity to be heard by the Respondent, issue and
21 enter the following Order:

22 **ORDER**

23 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. 20A
24 8379 issued to Respondent Alexander Hazel, D.O. is revoked. However, the revocation is stayed
25 and Respondent is placed on probation for three (3) yeares on the following terms and conditions:

26 1. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES - ABSTAIN FROM USE. Respondent shall abstain
27 completely from the personal use or possession of controlled substances as defined in the
28 California Uniform Controlled Substances Act, dangerous drugs as defined by Business and

1 Professions Code section 4022, and any drugs requiring a prescription. This prohibition does not
2 apply to medications lawfully prescribed to Respondent by another practitioner for a bona fide
3 illness or condition.

4 Within 15 calendar days of receiving any lawfully prescribed medications, Respondent
5 shall notify the Board or its designee of the: issuing practitioner's name, address, and telephone
6 number; medication name, strength, and quantity; and issuing pharmacy name, address, and
7 telephone number.

8 If Respondent has a confirmed positive biological fluid test for any substance (whether or
9 not legally prescribed) and has not reported the use to the Board or its designee, Respondent shall
10 receive a notification from the Board or its designee to immediately cease the practice of
11 medicine. The Respondent shall not resume the practice of medicine until the final decision on an
12 accusation and/or a petition to revoke probation is effective. An accusation and/or petition to
13 revoke probation shall be filed by the Board within 30 days of the notification to cease practice. If
14 the Respondent requests a hearing on the accusation and/or petition to revoke probation, the
15 Board shall provide the Respondent with a hearing within 30 days of the request, unless the
16 Respondent stipulates to a later hearing. If the case is heard by an Administrative Law Judge
17 alone, he or she shall forward a Proposed Decision to the Board within 15 days of submission of
18 the matter. Within 15 days of receipt by the Board of the Administrative Law Judge's proposed
19 decision, the Board shall issue its Decision, unless good cause can be shown for the delay. If the
20 case is heard by the Board, the Board shall issue its decision within 15 days of submission of the
21 case, unless good cause can be shown for the delay. Good cause includes, but is not limited to,
22 non-adoption of the proposed decision, request for reconsideration, remands and other
23 interlocutory orders issued by the Board. The cessation of practice shall not apply to the reduction
24 of the probationary time period.

25 If the Board does not file an accusation or petition to revoke probation within 30 days of the
26 issuance of the notification to cease practice or does not provide Respondent with a hearing
27 within 30 days of such a request, the notification of cease practice shall be dissolved.
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1 2. ALCOHOL - ABSTAIN FROM USE. Respondent shall abstain completely from the
2 use of products or beverages containing alcohol.

3 If Respondent has a confirmed positive biological fluid test for alcohol, Respondent shall
4 receive a notification from the Board or its designee to immediately cease the practice of
5 medicine. The Respondent shall not resume the practice of medicine until the final decision on an
6 accusation and/or a petition to revoke probation is effective. An accusation and/or petition to
7 revoke probation shall be filed by the Board within 60 days of the notification to cease practice. If
8 the Respondent requests a hearing on the accusation and/or petition to revoke probation, the
9 Board shall provide the Respondent with a hearing within 30 days of the request, unless the
10 Respondent stipulates to a later hearing. If the case is heard by an Administrative Law Judge
11 alone, he or she shall forward a Proposed Decision to the Board within 15 days of submission of
12 the matter. Within 15 days of receipt by the Board of the Administrative Law Judge's proposed
13 decision, the Board shall issue its Decision, unless good cause can be shown for the delay. If the
14 case is heard by the Board, the Board shall issue its decision within 15 days of submission of the
15 case, unless good cause can be shown for the delay. Good cause includes, but is not limited to,
16 non-adoption of the proposed decision, request for reconsideration, remands and other
17 interlocutory orders issued by the Board. The cessation of practice shall not apply to the reduction
18 of the probationary time period.

19 If the Board does not file an accusation or petition to revoke probation within 30 days of the
20 issuance of the notification to cease practice or does not provide Respondent with a hearing
21 within 30 days of such a request, the notification of cease practice shall be dissolved.

22 3. NOTICE OF EMPLOYER OR SUPERVISOR INFORMATION. Within seven (7) days
23 of the effective date of this Decision, Respondent shall provide to the Board the names, physical
24 addresses, mailing addresses, and telephone numbers of any and all employers and supervisors.
25 Respondent shall also provide specific, written consent for the Board, Respondent's worksite
26 monitor, and Respondent's employers and supervisors to communicate regarding Respondent's
27 work status, performance, and monitoring.

28 For purposes of this section, "supervisors" shall include the Chief of Staff and Health or

Well Being Committee Chair, or equivalent, if applicable, when the Respondent has medical staff privileges.

4. BIOLOGICAL FLUID TESTING. Respondent shall immediately submit to biological fluid testing, at Respondent's expense, upon request of the Board or its designee. "Biological fluid testing" may include, but is not limited to, urine, blood, breathalyzer, hair follicle testing, or similar drug screening approved by the Board or its designee. Respondent shall make daily contact with the Board or its designee to determine whether biological fluid testing is required. Respondent shall be tested on the date of the notification as directed by the Board or its designee. The Board may order a Respondent to undergo a biological fluid test on any day, at any time, including weekends and holidays. Except when testing on a specific date as ordered by the Board or its designee, the scheduling of biological fluid testing shall be done on a random basis. The cost of biological fluid testing shall be borne by the Respondent.

During the first year of probation and for the duration of the probationary term, up to three (3) years, Respondent shall be subject to 52 to 104 random tests per year. During the second year of probation and for the duration of the probationary term, up to three (3) years, Respondent shall be subject to 36 to 104 random tests per year. Only if there has been no positive biological fluid tests in the previous two (2) consecutive years of probation, may testing be reduced to one (1) time per month. Nothing precludes the Board from increasing the number of random tests to the first-year level of frequency for any reason.

Prior to practicing medicine, Respondent shall contract with a laboratory or service, approved in advance by the Board or its designee, that will conduct random, unannounced, observed, biological fluid testing and meets all of the following standards:

(a) Its specimen collectors are either certified by the Drug and Alcohol Testing Industry Association or have completed the training required to serve as a collector for the United States Department of Transportation.

(b) Its specimen collectors conform to the current United States Department of Transportation Specimen Collection Guidelines.

(c) Its testing locations comply with the Urine Specimen Collection Guidelines published

1 by the United States Department of Transportation without regard to the type of test
2 administered.

3 (d) Its specimen collectors observe the collection of testing specimens.

4 (e) Its laboratories are certified and accredited by the United States Department of Health
5 and Human Services.

6 (f) Its testing locations shall submit a specimen to a laboratory within one (1) business day
7 of receipt and all specimens collected shall be handled pursuant to chain of custody
8 procedures. The laboratory shall process and analyze the specimens and provide legally
9 defensible test results to the Board within seven (7) business days of receipt of the
10 specimen. The Board will be notified of non-negative results within one (1) business day
11 and will be notified of negative test results within seven (7) business days.

12 (g) Its testing locations possess all the materials, equipment, and technical expertise
13 necessary in order to test Respondent on any day of the week.

14 (h) Its testing locations are able to scientifically test for urine, blood, and hair specimens
15 for the detection of alcohol and illegal and controlled substances.

16 (i) It maintains testing sites located throughout California.

17 (j) It maintains an automated 24-hour toll-free telephone system and/or a secure on-line
18 computer database that allows the Respondent to check in daily for testing.

19 (k) It maintains a secure, HIPAA-compliant website or computer system that allows staff
20 access to drug test results and compliance reporting information that is available 24 hours a
21 day.

22 (l) It employs or contracts with toxicologists that are licensed physicians and have
23 knowledge of substance abuse disorders and the appropriate medical training to interpret
24 and evaluate laboratory biological fluid test results, medical histories, and any other
25 information relevant to biomedical information.

26 (m) It will not consider a toxicology screen to be negative if a positive result is obtained
27 while practicing, even if the Respondent holds a valid prescription for the substance.

28 Prior to changing testing locations for any reason, including during vacation or other travel,

1 alternative testing locations must be approved by the Board and meet the requirements above.

2 The contract shall require that the laboratory directly notify the Board or its designee of
3 non-negative results within one (1) business day and negative test results within seven (7)
4 business days of the results becoming available. Respondent shall maintain this laboratory or
5 service contract during the period of probation.

6 A certified copy of any laboratory test result may be received in evidence in any
7 proceedings between the Board and Respondent.

8 If a biological fluid test result indicates Respondent has used, consumed, ingested, or
9 administered to himself or herself a prohibited substance, the Board shall order Respondent to
10 cease practice and instruct Respondent to leave any place of work where Respondent is practicing
11 medicine or providing medical services. The Board shall immediately notify all of Respondent's
12 employers, supervisors and work monitors, if any, that Respondent may not practice medicine or
13 provide medical services while the cease-practice order is in effect.

14 A biological fluid test will not be considered negative if a positive result is obtained while
15 practicing, even if the practitioner holds a valid prescription for the substance. If no prohibited
16 substance use exists, the Board shall lift the cease-practice order within one (1) business day.

17 After the issuance of a cease-practice order, the Board shall determine whether the positive
18 biological fluid test is in fact evidence of prohibited substance use by consulting with the
19 specimen collector and the laboratory, communicating with the licensee, his or her treating
20 physician(s), other health care provider, or group facilitator, as applicable.

21 For purposes of this condition, the terms "biological fluid testing" and "testing" mean the
22 acquisition and chemical analysis of a Respondent's urine, blood, breath, or hair.

23 For purposes of this condition, the term "prohibited substance" means an illegal drug, a
24 lawful drug not prescribed or ordered by an appropriately licensed health care provider for use by
25 Respondent and approved by the Board, alcohol, or any other substance the Respondent has been
26 instructed by the Board not to use, consume, ingest, or administer to himself or herself.

27 If the Board confirms that a positive biological fluid test is evidence of use of a prohibited
28 substance, Respondent has committed a major violation, as defined in section 1361.52(a), and the

1 Board shall impose any or all of the consequences set forth in section 1361.52(b), in addition to
2 any other terms or conditions the Board determines are necessary for public protection or to
3 enhance Respondent's rehabilitation.

4 5. SUBSTANCE ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS. Within thirty (30) days of
5 the effective date of this Decision, Respondent shall submit to the Board or its designee, for its
6 prior approval, the name of a substance abuse support group which he or she shall attend for the
7 duration of probation. Respondent shall attend substance abuse support group meetings at least
8 once per week, or as ordered by the Board or its designee. Respondent shall pay all substance
9 abuse support group meeting costs.

10 The facilitator of the substance abuse support group meeting shall have a minimum of three
11 (3) years experience in the treatment and rehabilitation of substance abuse, and shall be licensed
12 or certified by the state or nationally certified organizations. The facilitator shall not have a
13 current or former financial, personal, or business relationship with Respondent within the last five
14 (5) years. Respondent's previous participation in a substance abuse group support meeting led by
15 the same facilitator does not constitute a prohibited current or former financial, personal, or
16 business relationship.

17 The facilitator shall provide a signed document to the Board or its designee showing
18 Respondent's name, the group name, the date and location of the meeting, Respondent's
19 attendance, and Respondent's level of participation and progress. The facilitator shall report any
20 unexcused absence by Respondent from any substance abuse support group meeting to the Board,
21 or its designee, within twenty-four (24) hours of the unexcused absence.

22 6. WORKSITE MONITOR FOR SUBSTANCE-ABUSING LICENSEE. Within thirty
23 (30) calendar days of the effective date of this Decision, Respondent shall submit to the Board or
24 its designee for prior approval as a worksite monitor, the name and qualifications of one or more
25 licensed physician and surgeon, other licensed health care professional if no physician and
26 surgeon is available, or, as approved by the Board or its designee, a person in a position of
27 authority who is capable of monitoring the Respondent at work.

28 The worksite monitor shall not have a current or former financial, personal, or familial

1 relationship with Respondent, or any other relationship that could reasonably be expected to
2 compromise the ability of the monitor to render impartial and unbiased reports to the Board or its
3 designee. If it is impractical for anyone but Respondent's employer to serve as the worksite
4 monitor, this requirement may be waived by the Board or its designee, however, under no
5 circumstances shall Respondent's worksite monitor be an employee or supervisee of the licensee.

6 The worksite monitor shall have an active unrestricted license with no disciplinary action
7 within the last five (5) years, and shall sign an affirmation that he or she has reviewed the terms
8 and conditions of Respondent's disciplinary order and agrees to monitor Respondent as set forth
9 by the Board or its designee.

10 Respondent shall pay all worksite monitoring costs.

11 The worksite monitor shall have face-to-face contact with Respondent in the work
12 environment on as frequent a basis as determined by the Board or its designee, but not less than
13 once per week; interview other staff in the office regarding Respondent's behavior, if requested
14 by the Board or its designee; and review Respondent's work attendance.

15 The worksite monitor shall verbally report any suspected substance abuse to the Board and
16 Respondent's employer or supervisor within one (1) business day of occurrence. If the suspected
17 substance abuse does not occur during the Board's normal business hours, the verbal report shall
18 be made to the Board or its designee within one (1) hour of the next business day. A written
19 report that includes the date, time, and location of the suspected abuse; Respondent's actions; and
20 any other information deemed important by the worksite monitor shall be submitted to the Board
21 or its designee within 48 hours of the occurrence.

22 The worksite monitor shall complete and submit a written report monthly or as directed by
23 the Board or its designee which shall include the following: (1) Respondent's name and
24 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate number; (2) the worksite monitor's name and signature; (3)
25 the worksite monitor's license number, if applicable; (4) the location or location(s) of the
26 worksite; (5) the dates Respondent had face-to-face contact with the worksite monitor; (6) the
27 names of worksite staff interviewed, if applicable; (7) a report of Respondent's work attendance;
28 (8) any change in Respondent's behavior and/or personal habits; and (9) any indicators that can

1 lead to suspected substance abuse by Respondent. Respondent shall complete any required
2 consent forms and execute agreements with the approved worksite monitor and the Board, or its
3 designee, authorizing the Board, or its designee, and worksite monitor to exchange information.

4 If the worksite monitor resigns or is no longer available, Respondent shall, within five (5)
5 calendar days of such resignation or unavailability, submit to the Board or its designee, for prior
6 approval, the name and qualifications of a replacement monitor who will be assuming that
7 responsibility within fifteen (15) calendar days. If Respondent fails to obtain approval of a
8 replacement monitor within sixty (60) calendar days of the resignation or unavailability of the
9 monitor, Respondent shall receive a notification from the Board or its designee to cease the
10 practice of medicine within three (3) calendar days after being so notified. Respondent shall
11 cease the practice of medicine until a replacement monitor is approved and assumes monitoring
12 responsibility.

13 7. VIOlation OF PROBATION CONDITION FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSING
14 LICENSEES . Failure to fully comply with any term or condition of probation is a violation of
15 probation.

16 A. If Respondent commits a major violation of probation as defined by section 1361.52,
17 subdivision (a), of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, the Board shall take one or
18 more of the following actions:

19 (1) Issue an immediate cease-practice order and order Respondent to undergo a clinical
20 diagnostic evaluation to be conducted in accordance with section 1361.5, subdivision (c)(1), of
21 Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, at Respondent's expense. The cease-practice
22 order issued by the Board or its designee shall state that Respondent must test negative for at least
23 a month of continuous biological fluid testing before being allowed to resume practice. For
24 purposes of determining the length of time a Respondent must test negative while undergoing
25 continuous biological fluid testing following issuance of a cease-practice order, a month is
26 defined as thirty calendar (30) days. Respondent may not resume the practice of medicine until
27 notified in writing by the Board or its designee that he or she may do so.

28 (2) Increase the frequency of biological fluid testing.

(3) Refer Respondent for further disciplinary action, such as suspension, revocation, or other action as determined by the Board or its designee.

B. If Respondent commits a minor violation of probation as defined by section 1361.52, subdivision (c), of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, the Board shall take one or more of the following actions:

- (1) Issue a cease-practice order;
- (2) Order practice limitations;
- (3) Order or increase supervision of Respondent;
- (4) Order increased documentation;
- (5) Issue a citation and fine, or a warning letter;
- (6) Order Respondent to undergo a clinical diagnostic evaluation to be conducted in accordance with section 1361.5, subdivision (c)(1), of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, at Respondent's expense;
- (7) Take any other action as determined by the Board or its designee.

C. Nothing in this Decision shall be considered a limitation on the Board's authority to revoke Respondent's probation if he or she has violated any term or condition of probation. If Respondent violates probation in any respect, the Board, after giving Respondent notice and the opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order that was stayed. If an Accusation, or Petition to Revoke Probation, or an Interim Suspension Order is filed against Respondent during probation, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction until the matter is final, and the period of probation shall be extended until the matter is final.

8. NOTIFICATION. Within seven (7) days of the effective date of this Decision, the Respondent shall provide a true copy of this Decision and Accusation to the Chief of Staff or the Chief Executive Officer at every hospital where privileges or membership are extended to Respondent, at any other facility where Respondent engages in the practice of medicine, including all physician and locum tenens registries or other similar agencies, and to the Chief Executive Officer at every insurance carrier which extends malpractice insurance coverage to Respondent. Respondent shall submit proof of compliance to the Board or its designee within 15

1 calendar days.

2 This condition shall apply to any change(s) in hospitals, other facilities or insurance carrier.

3 9. SUPERVISION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND ADVANCED PRACTICE
4 NURSES. During probation, Respondent is allowed to supervise physician assistants, nurse
5 practitioners, advanced practice nurses.

6 10. OBEY ALL LAWS. Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws, all rules
7 governing the practice of medicine in California and remain in full compliance with any court
8 ordered criminal probation, payments, and other orders.

9 11. INVESTIGATION/ENFORCEMENT COST RECOVERY. Respondent is hereby
10 ordered to reimburse the Board its costs of investigation and enforcement, in the amount of
11 \$25,270.70 (twenty-five thousand two hundred and seventy dollars and seventy cents). Costs
12 shall be payable to the Osteopathic Medical Board of California. Failure to pay such costs shall be
13 considered a violation of probation.

14 Payment must be made in full within 30 calendar days of the effective date of the Order, or
15 by a payment plan approved by the Osteopathic Medical Board of California. Any and all
16 requests for a payment plan shall be submitted in writing by respondent to the Board. Failure to
17 comply with the payment plan shall be considered a violation of probation.

18 The filing of bankruptcy by respondent shall not relieve respondent of the responsibility to
19 repay investigation and enforcement costs, including expert review costs.

20 12. QUARTERLY DECLARATIONS. Respondent shall submit quarterly declarations
21 under penalty of perjury on forms provided by the Board, stating whether there has been
22 compliance with all the conditions of probation.

23 Respondent shall submit quarterly declarations not later than 10 calendar days after the end
24 of the preceding quarter.

25 13. GENERAL PROBATION REQUIREMENTS.

26 Compliance with Probation Unit

27 Respondent shall comply with the Board's probation unit.

28 Address Changes

Respondent shall, at all times, keep the Board informed of Respondent's business and residence addresses, email address (if available), and telephone number. Changes of such addresses shall be immediately communicated in writing to the Board or its designee. Under no circumstances shall a post office box serve as an address of record, except as allowed by Business and Professions Code section 2021, subdivision (b).

Place of Practice

Respondent shall not engage in the practice of medicine in Respondent's or patient's place of residence, unless the patient resides in a skilled nursing facility or other similar licensed facility.

License Renewal

Respondent shall maintain a current and renewed California physician's and surgeon's license.

Travel or Residence Outside California

Respondent shall immediately inform the Board or its designee, in writing, of travel to any areas outside the jurisdiction of California which lasts, or is contemplated to last, more than thirty (30) calendar days.

In the event Respondent should leave the State of California to reside or to practice Respondent shall notify the Board or its designee in writing 30 calendar days prior to the dates of departure and return.

14. INTERVIEW WITH THE BOARD OR ITS DESIGNEE. Respondent shall be available in person upon request for interviews either at Respondent's place of business or at the probation unit office, with or without prior notice throughout the term of probation.

15. NON-PRACTICE WHILE ON PROBATION. Respondent shall notify the Board or its designee in writing within 15 calendar days of any periods of non-practice lasting more than 30 calendar days and within 15 calendar days of Respondent's return to practice. Non-practice is defined as any period of time Respondent is not practicing medicine as defined in Business and Professions Code sections 2051 and 2052 for at least 40 hours in a calendar month in direct patient care, clinical activity or teaching, or other activity as approved by the Board. If

Respondent resides in California and is considered to be in non-practice, Respondent shall comply with all terms and conditions of probation. All time spent in an intensive training program which has been approved by the Board or its designee shall not be considered non-practice and does not relieve Respondent from complying with all the terms and conditions of probation. Practicing medicine in another state of the United States or Federal jurisdiction while on probation with the medical licensing authority of that state or jurisdiction shall not be considered non-practice. A Board-ordered suspension of practice shall not be considered as a period of non-practice.

In the event Respondent's period of non-practice while on probation exceeds 18 calendar months, Respondent shall successfully complete the Federation of State Medical Board's Special Purpose Examination, or, at the Board's discretion, a clinical competence assessment program that meets the criteria of Condition 18 of the current version of the Board's "Manual of Model Disciplinary Orders and Disciplinary Guidelines" prior to resuming the practice of medicine.

Respondent's period of non-practice while on probation shall not exceed two (2) years.

Periods of non-practice will not apply to the reduction of the probationary term.

Periods of non-practice for a Respondent residing outside of California will relieve Respondent of the responsibility to comply with the probationary terms and conditions with the exception of this condition and the following terms and conditions of probation: Obey All Laws; General Probation Requirements; Quarterly Declarations; Abstain from the Use of Alcohol and/or Controlled Substances; and Biological Fluid Testing.

16. COMPLETION OF PROBATION. Respondent shall comply with all financial obligations (e.g., restitution, probation costs) not later than 120 calendar days prior to the completion of probation. This term does not include cost recovery, which is due within 30 calendar days of the effective date of the Order, or by a payment plan approved by the Osteopathic Medical Board and timely satisfied. Upon successful completion of probation, Respondent's certificate shall be fully restored.

17. VIOLATION OF PROBATION. Failure to fully comply with any term or condition of probation is a violation of probation. If Respondent violates probation in any respect, the

1 Board, after giving Respondent notice and the opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and
2 carry out the order that was stayed. If an Accusation, or Petition to Revoke Probation, or an
3 Interim Suspension Order is filed against Respondent during probation, the Board shall have
4 continuing jurisdiction until the matter is final, and the period of probation shall be extended until
5 the matter is final.

6 18. LICENSE SURRENDER. Following the effective date of this Decision, if
7 Respondent ceases practicing due to retirement or health reasons or is otherwise unable to satisfy
8 the terms and conditions of probation, Respondent may request to surrender his or her license.
9 The Board reserves the right to evaluate Respondent's request and to exercise its discretion in
10 determining whether or not to grant the request, or to take any other action deemed appropriate
11 and reasonable under the circumstances. Upon formal acceptance of the surrender, Respondent
12 shall within 15 calendar days deliver Respondent's wallet and wall certificate to the Board or its
13 designee and Respondent shall no longer practice medicine. Respondent will no longer be subject
14 to the terms and conditions of probation. If Respondent re-applies for a medical license, the
15 application shall be treated as a petition for reinstatement of a revoked certificate.

16 19. PROBATION MONITORING COSTS. Respondent shall pay the costs associated
17 with probation monitoring each and every year of probation, as designated by the Board, which
18 may be adjusted on an annual basis. Such costs shall be payable to the Osteopathic Medical
19 Board of California and delivered to the Board or its designee no later than January 31 of each
20 calendar year.


21 20. FUTURE ADMISSIONS CLAUSE. If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for
22 a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care
23 licensing action agency in the State of California, all of the charges and allegations contained in
24 Accusation No. 900-2022-000455 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by
25 Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or
26 restrict license.

27 21. PATIENT NOTIFICATION. Before a patient's first visit following the effective
28 date of this order and while the Respondent is on probation, the Respondent must provide all


1 patients, or patient's guardian or health care surrogate, with a separate disclosure that includes the
2 Respondent's probation status, the length of the probation, the probation end date, all practice
3 restrictions placed on the Respondent by the Board, the board's telephone number, and an
4 explanation of how the patient can find further information on the Respondent's probation on the
5 Respondent's profile page on the board's website. Respondent shall obtain from the patient, or
6 the patient's guardian or health care surrogate, a separate, signed copy of that disclosure.
7 Respondent shall not be required to provide a disclosure if any of the following applies: (1) The
8 patient is unconscious or otherwise unable to comprehend the disclosure and sign the copy of the
9 disclosure and a guardian or health care surrogate is unavailable to comprehend the disclosure
10 and sign the copy; (2) The visit occurs in an emergency room or an urgent care facility or the visit
11 is unscheduled, including consultations in inpatient facilities; (3) Respondent is not known to the
12 patient until immediately prior to the start of the visit; (4) Respondent does not have a direct
13 treatment relationship with the patient.

14 **ACCEPTANCE**

15 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Order and have fully discussed it
16 with my attorney, Peter Osinoff, Esq. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on
17 my Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and
18 Disciplinary voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and
19 Order of the Osteopathic Medical Board of California.

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21 DATED: 4/23/25 
22 ALEXANDER HAZEL, D.O.
Respondent

23 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Alexander Hazel, D.O. the terms and
24 conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Order. I approve
25 its form and content.

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27 DATED: 4/24/2025 
28 PETER OSINOFF, ESQ.
Attorney for Respondent

ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Osteopathic Medical Board of California.

DATED: April 28, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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9 **BEFORE THE**
OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
10 **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

11 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 900-2023-000406

12 **ALEXANDER HAZEL, D.O.**
13 **2510 N. California Street**
Stockton, CA 95204

ACCUSATION

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15 **Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's**
Certificate No. 20A 8379

16 Respondent.
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19 **PARTIES**

20 1. Erika Calderon (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity as
21 the Executive Director of the Osteopathic Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer
22 Affairs.

23 2. On or about September 26, 2003, Osteopathic Medical Board of California issued
24 Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number 20A 8379 to Alexander Hazel, D.O.
25 (Respondent). The Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and effect
26 at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on December 31, 2026, unless
27 renewed.

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JURISDICTION

3. This Accusation is brought before the Osteopathic Medical Board of California (Board), under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.

4. Section 3600 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

The law governing licentiates of the Osteopathic Medical Board of California is found in the Osteopathic Act and in Chapter 5 of Division 2, relating to medicine.

5. Section 2459.4 of the Code states:

(a) On and after July 1, 2019, except as otherwise provided in subdivision (c), the board shall require a licensee to provide a separate disclosure that includes the licensee's probation status, the length of the probation, the probation end date, all practice restrictions placed on the licensee by the board, the board's telephone number, and an explanation of how the patient can find further information on the licensee's probation on the licensee's profile page on the board's online license information Internet Web site, to a patient or the patient's guardian or health care surrogate before the patient's first visit following the probationary order while the licensee is on probation pursuant to a probationary order made on and after July 1, 2019, in any of the following circumstances:

(1) A final adjudication by the board following an administrative hearing or admitted findings or prima facie showing in a stipulated settlement establishing any of the following:

(A) The commission of any act of sexual abuse, misconduct, or relations with a patient or client as defined in Section 726 or 729.

(B) Drug or alcohol abuse directly resulting in harm to patients or the extent that such use impairs the ability of the licensee to practice safely.

(C) Criminal conviction directly involving harm to patient health.

(D) Inappropriate prescribing resulting in harm to patients and a probationary period of five years or more.

(2) An accusation or statement of issues alleged that the licensee committed any of the acts described in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1), and a stipulated settlement based upon a nolo contendere or other similar compromise that does not include any prima facie showing or admission of guilt or fact but does include an express acknowledgment that the disclosure requirements of this section would serve to protect the public interest.

(b) A licensee required to provide a disclosure pursuant to subdivision (a) shall obtain from the patient, or the patient's guardian or health care surrogate, a separate, signed copy of that disclosure.

(c) A licensee shall not be required to provide a disclosure pursuant to subdivision (a) if any of the following applies:

1 (1) The patient is unconscious or otherwise unable to comprehend the
2 disclosure and sign the copy of the disclosure pursuant to subdivision (b) and a
3 guardian or health care surrogate is unavailable to comprehend the disclosure and
sign the copy.

4 (2) The visit occurs in an emergency room or an urgent care facility or the visit
is unscheduled, including consultations in inpatient facilities.

5 (3) The licensee who will be treating the patient during the visit is not known to
6 the patient until immediately prior to the start of the visit.

7 (4) The licensee does not have a direct treatment relationship with the patient.

8 (d) On and after July 1, 2019, the board shall provide the following
9 information, with respect to licensees on probation and licensees practicing under
probationary licenses, in plain view on the licensee's profile page on the board's
online license information Internet Web site.

10 (1) For probation imposed pursuant to a stipulated settlement, the causes
11 alleged in the operative accusation along with a designation identifying those causes
12 by which the licensee has expressly admitted guilt and a statement that acceptance of
the settlement is not an admission of guilt.

13 (2) For probation imposed by an adjudicated decision of the board, the causes
14 for probation stated in the final probationary order.

15 (3) For a licensee granted a probationary license, the causes by which the
probationary license was imposed.

16 (4) The length of the probation and end date.

17 (5) All practice restrictions placed on the license by the board.

18 (e) A violation of this section shall not be punishable as a crime.

19 (f) For purposes of this section:

20 (1) Board means the Osteopathic Medical Board of California.

21 (2) Licensee means a person licensed by the Osteopathic Medical Board of
22 California.

23 6. Section 2450.1 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

24 Protection of the public shall be the highest priority for the Osteopathic Medical
25 Board of California exercising its licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions.
26 Whenever the protection of the public is inconsistent with the interests sought to be
promoted, the protection of the public shall be paramount.

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Whenever it appears that any person holding a license, certificate or permit under this division or under any initiative act referred to in this division may be unable to practice his or her profession safely because the licentiate's ability to practice is impaired due to mental illness, or physical illness affecting competency, the licensing agency may order the licentiate to be examined by one or more physicians and surgeons or psychologists designated by the agency. The report of the examiners shall be made available to the licentiate and may be received as direct evidence in proceedings conducted pursuant to Section 822.

If a licensing agency determines that its licensee's ability to practice his or her profession safely is impaired because the licensee is mentally ill, or physically ill affecting competency, the licensing agency may take action by any one of the following methods:

- The licensing agency shall not reinstate a revoked or suspended certificate or license until it has received competent evidence of the absence or control of the condition which caused its action and until it is satisfied that with due regard for the public health and safety the person's right to practice his or her profession may be safely reinstated.

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FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

10. Respondent suffers from an alcohol use disorder which renders him unsafe to practice medicine unless the condition is continuously treated by a medical/mental health professional, and/or recovery program.

11. Respondent is currently enrolled in a Board monitored recovery program and is compliant with all program requirements.

CAUSE FOR ACTION

(Impairment)

12. Respondent's Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number 20A 8379 is subject to action under section 820 and 822 in that Respondent suffers an alcohol use disorder impairing his ability to safely practice medicine and affecting his competency. The circumstances are as alleged in paragraphs 10 through 11 above, which are hereby realleged and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

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PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Osteopathic Medical Board of California issue a decision:

1. Revoking or suspending Osteopathic Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number 20A 8379, issued to Respondent Alexander Hazel, D.O.;

2. Ordering Respondent Alexander Hazel, D.O. to pay the Osteopathic Medical Board of California the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 and if placed on probation, the costs of probation monitoring;

3. If Respondent is placed on probation, ordering patient notification pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 2459.4; and

4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.



DATED: 05/12/2025

ERIKA CALDERON
Executive Director
Osteopathic Medical Board of California
Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California
Complainant

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