BEFORE THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD STATE OF COLORADO

CASE NOS: 2016-3484-A and 2016-3536-A

ORDER OF SUSPENSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-104(4), C.R.S.

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AS A PHYSICIAN IN THE STATE OF COLORADO OF WILLIAM TYLER STONE, D.O., LICENSE NO. DR -49215,

Respondent.

TO: William Tyler Stone, D.O. 320 E. Fontanero, Suite 301 Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Inquiry Panel A ("Panel") of the Colorado Medical Board ("Board"), having reviewed this matter during its meeting of the Panel on July 14, 2016, hereby finds as follows:

- 1. Respondent was licensed to practice medicine in the state of Colorado on August 9, 2010, and was issued license number DR-49215, which Respondent has held continuously since that date.
- 2. On July 14, 2016 the Panel reviewed materials relating to case numbers 2016-3484-A and 2016-3536-A and found that based upon the information reviewed, the Panel had reasonable grounds to believe that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action and/or that Respondent was guilty of a deliberate and willful violation of law. The Panel reviewed information that, during the period of January 1, 2016 to June 12, 2016, Respondent signed in excess of 400 certifications recommending the medical use of marijuana which authorized the individual to possess increased plant counts for at least 75 plants. Respondent authorized the certifications for conditions other than cancer.
- 3. The Panel found that signing the above-referenced certifications recommending the medical use of marijuana with an allowance for increased plant counts of at least 75 plants, in the absence of cancer diagnosis and treatment, falls below generally accepted standards of medical practice and lacks medical necessity. Such conduct violates § 12-36-117(1)(p) and (mm), C.R.S. and Colo. Const. art. XVIII, § 14(4). The Panel found that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action and/or that Respondent was guilty of a deliberate and willful violation of law.

- 4. The Panel also considered Respondent's prior disciplinary history. On March 10, 2016, the Panel issued Respondent a letter of admonition in case number 2015-2770-A, for performing evaluations for the medical use of marijuana via the internet in violation of generally accepted standards of medical practice. The Panel considered Respondent's recent discipline in relation to Respondent's conduct at issue in the pending matters.
- 5. Based upon paragraphs 1-4, the Panel has objective and reasonable grounds to believe and finds that Respondent deliberately and willfully violated the Medical Practice Act and/or that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action.
- 6. The Panel incorporates paragraphs 1 through 5 in its findings for this Order of Suspension from the Practice of Medicine.
- 7. The Panel is therefore authorized by Section 24-4-104(4), C.R.S. to suspend Respondent's license to practice medicine in this state pending proceedings for suspension or revocation.

WHEREFORE, it is ordered that:

- 1. Respondent's license to practice medicine in this state is hereby suspended, effective at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 19, 2016.
- 2. The suspension shall remain in effect until resolution of this matter.

ENTERED this Aday of July, 2016.

FOR THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD

INQUIRY PAN

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Delegated by Panel A to sign on its behalf