BEFORE THE COMPOSITE STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

STATE OF GEORGIA

Composite State Board of Medical Examinate

IN THE MATTER OF:

JUN 0 \$ 2009

STEVEN BENJAMIN SCHWARZ, M.D. License No. 024129,

DOCKET NO.: DECET NUMBER 100 9 00 1 6

Respondent.

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

I, Steven Benjamin Schwarz, holder of License No. 024129 to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia pursuant to O.C.G.A. Ch. 4, T. 26 as amended, hereby freely, knowingly and voluntarily surrender any right in said license to the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners. I hereby acknowledge that this surrender shall be considered to be and have the same effect as a revocation of my license, and I knowingly forfeit and relinquish all right, title and privilege of practicing as a physician in the State of Georgia, unless and until such time as my license may be reinstated, is the sole discretion of the Board.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the contents of this Voluntary Surrender. I understand that I have a right to a hearing in this matter, and I hereby freely, knowingly and voluntarily waive such right. I also understand that should the Board entertain any request for reinstatement, the Board shall have access to any investigative or medical information regarding me. I further understand that upon applying for reinstatement, it shall be incumbent upon me to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that I am able to practice as a physician with reasonable skill and safety to patients, and that the Board may investigate my conduct since the time of the surrender of my license. I understand and agree that any reinstatement of my license to practice as a physician is a matter in the sole discretion of the Board and that the Board may deny any such reinstatement without identifying a reason for said denial

This surrender shall become effective upon acceptance and docketing by the Board. I understand that this document will be considered to be a public record entered as the final

disposition of any disciplinary proceedings that may be pending against me, and that this action shall be considered to be and may be disseminated as a final order of the Board.

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ACCEPTANCE OF SURRENDER

The voluntary surrender of License No. 024129 is hereby accepted by the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners, this 5 day of June

> COMPOSITE STATE BOARD OF **MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

JEAN RAWLINGS SUMNER, M.D.

President

(BOARD SEAL)

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Executive Director

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ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION

1.

WHEREAS, Respondent was licensed by the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia on or about August 11, 1992, and his license expires December 31, 2009.

2.

WHEREAS, on or about December 15, 2008, the Board served Respondent with an Order for Mental/Physical Examination ("OMPE"), Docket No. 10090016, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 43-34-37(a)(13)(A). The OMPE required Respondent "to submit to a 96-hour inpatient or residential mental/physical examination at a facility as approved in writing by the Board's Medical Director or Executive Director, by a physician(s) with expertise in the area of psychiatric evaluation and approved by the Georgia Composite State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board"), within seven (7) days from the date of service of this Order. The purpose of the evaluation is to determine whether you are unable to practice as a physician with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of an illness or as a result of any mental or physical condition."

WHEREAS, the Board ordered the mental/physical examination upon reasonable grounds, including, but not limited to information that Respondent was involuntarily admitted to Grady Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia for mental/physical reasons on or about October 1, 2008 to October 8, 2008. On or about December 2, 2008 the Board received Respondent's medical records from Grady Hospital which indicated the need for Respondent to receive psychiatric monitoring given his history of chronic medical non-compliance and likely psychosis, and further recommended monitoring of Respondent's medical practice.

4.

WHEREAS, the Order required Respondent to execute a Consent to Release Medical Records for release of the records from the examination to the Board. The Board has not received any medical records concerning Respondent.

5.

WHEREAS, from December 15, 2008 to January 7, 2009, Respondent made numerous telephone calls to the Board offices indicating that he has not complied with the Board's Order nor does he have an examination scheduled at any facility. Following the telephone calls, Board staff reported that Respondent seemed disjointed and unable to understand the information being conveyed regarding extensions of time.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board finds that summary suspension of Respondent's license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia is warranted under O.C.G.A. § 50-13-18(c)(1),

and hereby ORDERS that Respondent's license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia be and is hereby SUMMARILY SUSPENDED pending further proceedings on behalf of the Board.

If the Respondent wishes to have an expedited hearing, Respondent shall execute and file with the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners the original and one copy of the attached REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED HEARING no later than fourteen (14) days from the day of service or receipt of this Order. Respondent also shall serve a copy of such REQUEST upon counsel for the Board as identified in the REQUEST.

This Order is signed and attested by the Executive Director on behalf of the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners.

This 8th day of January, 2009.

COMPOSITE STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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JEAN RAWLINGS SUMNER, M.D.

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PLEASE DIRECT ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:

Janet Bolt Wray Senior Assistant Attorney General Department of Law 40 Capitol Square, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30334

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REQUEST I	FOR EXPEDITED HEARING
I, STEVEN B. SCHWARZ, M.I	O., having been served with the Order of Summary
Suspension by the Composite State Bo	oard of Medical Examiners ("Board"), do hereby request
an expedited hearing. I reserve the rig	tht to file a response to a Notice of Hearing in this matter.
This day of	, 2009.
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	STEVEN B. SCHWARZ, M.D. Respondent
	() I am/will be represented by counsel Name of counsel if known at this time:

THIS REQUEST MUST BE FILED WITH THE COMPOSITE STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS, 2 PEACHTREE STREET, N.W., 36TH FLOOR, ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-3465.

A COPY OF THIS REQUEST MUST BE SERVED ON THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, ATTN: JANET BOLT WRAY, SENIOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, 40 CAPITOL SQUARE, ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334.