

**BEFORE THE MEDICAL LICENSING
BOARD OF INDIANA
CAUSE NUMBER: 2021 MLB 0013**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF:)
)
JAMES L. SHOOT, M.D.)
)
LICENSE NO: 01027324A (ACTIVE))**



ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

The State of Indiana (“Petitioner”), by counsel, Deputy Attorney General Carah J. Rochester, on behalf of the Office of the Indiana Attorney General, and pursuant to the Administrative Orders and Procedures Act, Ind. Code art. 4-21.5, and Ind. Code ch. 25-1-9, files its Administrative Complaint against the Indiana Medical license of James L. Shoot, M.D., (“Respondent”) and in support alleges and states the following:

FACTS

1. Respondent is a Physician (“M.D.”) in the State of Indiana having been issued license number 01027324A by examination on December 15, 1976.
2. Respondent’s address on file with the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency is 703 Pro Med Lane, Carmel, Indiana 46032.
3. Respondent is a “practitioner” as that term is defined by Ind. Code § 25-1-9-2.
4. On or about October 15, 2019, Respondent became involved in a patient’s child custody matter and made recommendations in such that were not based on his evaluation and personal knowledge of the patient and situation.
5. On or about October 15, 2019, Respondent failed to document his conversations with the patient concerning Respondent’s recommendations for supervised visitation between the patient and his daughter.

VIOLATIONS

COUNT I: FAILURE TO DOCUMENT

1. Respondent's conduct constitutes a violation of Ind. Code 25-1-9-4(a)(3) in that Respondent has knowingly violated a state statute or rule, or federal statute or regulation, regulating medicine as evidenced by his failure to document conversations regarding a patient's care, which is a violation of 844 IAC 5-2-5. Specifically, 844 IAC 5-2-5 states that a practitioner shall exercise reasonable care and diligence in the treatment of patients based upon generally accepted scientific principles, methods, treatments, and current professional theory and practice.

COUNT II: FAILURE TO EXERCISE REASONABLE CARE AND DILIGENCE

2. Respondent's conduct constitutes a violation of Ind. Code 25-1-9-4(a)(3) in that Respondent has knowingly violated a state statute or rule, or federal statute or regulation, regulating medicine as evidenced by making custody recommendations which were not based on an evaluation of the patient, which is a violation of 844 IAC 5-2-5. Specifically, 844 IAC 5-2-5 states that a practitioner shall exercise reasonable care and diligence in the treatment of patients based upon generally accepted scientific principles, methods, treatments, and current professional theory and practice.

ACCORDINGLY, Petitioner demands this Board enter an order finding that:

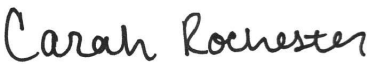
1. Respondent is subject to discipline according to Ind. Code § 25-1-9;
2. Imposes an appropriate disciplinary sanction pursuant to Ind. Code § 25-1-9-9;
3. Directs the Respondent to immediately pay all costs incurred in the

prosecution of this case; and

4. Provides any further relief that the Board deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing “Administrative Complaint” has been served upon the Respondent at the address listed below, by United States First Class Mail, and Respondent’s counsel by electronic mail, on this 14th day of June, 2021.

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