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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE CASE NO. 2214

IN RE: THE LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY HELD BY ROGER S. JONES, JR., M.D., LICENSE NO. C2172, 224 PHILLIP STONE WAY, CENTRAL CITY, KENTUCKY 42330

AGREED ORDER

Come now the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure (hereafter "the Board"), acting by and through its Inquiry Panel B, and Roger S. Jones, Jr., M.D. (hereafter "the licensee"), and, based upon their mutual desire to resolve this pending investigation without an evidentiary hearing, hereby ENTER INTO the following AGREED ORDER:

STIPULATIONS OF FACT

The parties stipulate the following facts, which serve as the factual bases for this Agreed Order:

- At all relevant times, Roger S. Jones, Jr., M.D. was licensed by the Board to practice medicine within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
- 2. The licensee's medical specialty is addiction medicine.
- 3. The licensee is also licensed by the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners ("Tennessee Board").
- 4. On or about November 19, 2024, the Tennessee Board entered an Order of Summary Action, following a hearing, in which it placed the licensee's Tennessee medical license on probation until he entered monitoring with and had the advocacy of the Tennessee Medical Foundation ("TMF"), based upon findings of fact including the following:
 - [The licensee] practices in addiction medicine. [The licensee] owns and operates Belle Meade Addiction Medicine and Psychiatry, PLLC and Recovery Now, which is located in Nashville, Tennessee and offers a private detox, rehabilitation, and addiction treatment services with concierge doctors.

- On May 27, 2023, [the licensee] was admitted to Vanderbilt University Medical Center ("VUMC") Psychiatric Hospital for two nights for treatment. [The licensee] was subsequently diagnosed with bipolar disorder type 1 with psychotic features and mixed episodes.
- The State filed a Notice of Charges and Memorandum of Assessment of Civil Penalties and Costs on September I, 2023. A contested case hearing was held before a panel of the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners on July 31, 2024. ... [the licensee] testified that he completed a fitness for duty evaluation at Acumen Assessments in Lawrence, Kansas and that he was awaiting the results. [The licensee] testified the Acumen report would only recommend one year of TMF monitoring. ...
- [The licensee] completed a fitness for duty evaluation at Acumen on July 22 25, 2024.
- Acumen made the following diagnoses of [the licensee]: Bipolar I Disorder, Most Recent Episode Depressed, With Mood-Congruent Psychotic Features, With Mixed Features; and Prominent Narcissistic, Turbulent (action-oriented) and Histrionic Personality Traits.
- The Acumen evaluation finally stated that [the licensee] should establish care with a TMF-approved psychiatrist in order to establish a mood-stabilizing medication regimen.
- 5. On or about December 11, 2024, after the licensee entered into a TMF monitoring contract and petitioned the Tennessee Board to set aside its order of probation, in a Decision on Respondent's Petition to Set Aside Probation Order, the Tennessee Board granted the licensee a hearing for further proceedings on the petition.
- 6. On or about February 24, 2025, the Tennessee Board and the licensee entered into an Agreed Order, in which the licensee stipulated to facts including the following:
 - [The licensee] practices in emergency and addiction medicine. [The licensee] owns and operates Belle Meade Addiction Medicine and Psychiatry, PLLC, which is located in Nashville, Tennessee and offers a private detox, rehabilitation, and addiction treatment services with concierge doctors.
 - On May 27, 2023, [the licensee] was admitted to Vanderbilt University Medical Center ("VUMC") Psychiatric Hospital for approximately two nights for treatment. [The licensee] was subsequently diagnosed with bipolar disorder type 1 with psychotic features and mixed episodes.

- [The licensee] became depressed after his father died and sought medical care for which he was treated. [The licensee] contends he has made a full recovery. [The licensee] contends he met his father when he was 28 years old, and that his father was living in a shack in Mississippi that did not have running water or electricity. [The licensee] contends his father was huddled next to a propane heater to stay warm on the day they met. [The licensee] contends his father had 11 DUIs in 7 years. [The licensee] contends his father was admitted to a state-funded hospital, detoxed by a doctor who saved his life, never used alcohol again and lived the last 12 years of his life sober. [The licensee] contends he had a wonderful relationship with his father.
- [The licensee] completed a fitness for duty evaluation at Acumen Assessments in Lawrence, Kansas on July 22 25, 2024. This fitness for duty evaluation recommended that [the licensee] establish a consistent process of outpatient psychotherapeutic and psychiatric treatment. The Acumen evaluation also stated that [the licensee] should establish care with a TMF-approved psychiatrist in order to establish a mood-stabilizing medication regimen.
- On November 20, 2024, [the licensee] signed a three-year monitoring contract with TMF. Respondent currently has TMF advocacy.
- 7. Pursuant to the Tennessee Agreed Order, the licensee's Tennessee medical license was reprimanded and he must remain 100% compliant with his TMF monitoring contract.
- 8. On or about March 6, 2025, this Board received notice of the Tennessee Board action via an email from the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission. The licensee did not report the actions taken by the Tennessee Board within ten days as required by 201 KAR 9:081(9)(2)(a)(2). Further, the licensee did not provide this Board a copy of the orders issued by the Tennessee Board within ten days of their entry.
- 9. The licensee had an opportunity to seek counsel prior to entering this Agreed Order. In light of the above stipulations of fact, it is his desire and intent to enter into this Agreed Order, in lieu of the issuance of a Complaint and subsequent hearings pursuant to KRS 311.591 and KRS Chapter 13B.

STIPULATED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The parties stipulate the following Conclusions of Law, which serve as the legal bases for this Agreed Order:

- The licensee's Kentucky medical license is subject to regulation and discipline by the Board.
- 2. Based upon the Stipulations of Fact, the licensee has engaged in conduct which violates the provisions of KRS 311.595(12) and (17). Accordingly, there are legal grounds for the parties to enter into this Agreed Order.
- Pursuant to KRS 311.591(6) and 201 KAR 9:082, the parties may fully and finally resolve
 this pending investigation without an evidentiary hearing by entering into an informal
 resolution such as this Agreed Order.

AGREED ORDER

Based upon the foregoing Stipulations of Fact and Stipulated Conclusions of Law, and, based upon their mutual desire to fully and finally resolve this pending investigation without an evidentiary hearing, the parties hereby ENTER INTO the following AGREED ORDER:

- The license to practice medicine held by Roger S. Jones, Jr., M.D., is hereby PLACED ON PROBATION FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS, with that period of probation to become effective immediately upon the filing of this Agreed Order.
- 2. During the effective period of this Agreed Order, the licensee's medical license SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS:
 - a. Within twenty (20) days of entry of this Agreed Order, the licensee SHALL enter into a contractual relationship with the Kentucky Physicians Health Foundation ("KPHF");
 - i. The licensee SHALL maintain his contractual relationships with the KPHF and the Tennessee Medical Foundation ("TMF") and SHALL fully comply with all requirements of each of those contractual relationships;

- ii. During the periods in which the licensee is practicing medicine primarily in Tennessee, the TMF will be primarily responsible for his monitoring, and the KPHF will regularly coordinate with the TMF to ensure that the licensee is fully complying with the terms of his TMF contractual relationship;
 - 1. The licensee SHALL take all necessary steps, including the execution of any necessary waiver(s) and/or release(s), to ensure that the TMF provides written communication(s) to KPHF on at least a quarterly basis detailing his compliance with his TMF contract and to ensure that the TMF immediately reports any non-compliance to KPHF;
- iii. During any period in which the licensee practices medicine in Kentucky, KPHF will be primarily responsible for his monitoring;
 - 1. The licensee SHALL provide by the Board and KPHF written notice at least thirty (30) days prior engaging in any practice within the Commonwealth of Kentucky, with the notice specifying the location and nature of his intended practice; and
- b. Pursuant to KRS 311.565(1)(v), the licensee SHALL submit payment of a fine in the amount of \$1,000.00, within three (3) months of the filing of this Agreed Order;
- c. The licensee SHALL NOT violate any provision of KRS 311.595 and/or 311.597.
- 3. The licensee expressly agrees that, by entering into this Agreed Order, he waives his right to raise any constitutional, statutory, or common law objection(s) he may have to the Agreed Order, its terms, and the Board's conduct in conformity and enforcement of the Agreed Order and any amendment knowingly and voluntarily entered into with the Board.
- 4. The licensee expressly agrees that if he should violate any term or condition of this Agreed Order, the licensee's practice will constitute an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, as provided in KRS 311.592 and 13B.125. The parties further agree that if the Board should receive information that he has violated any term or condition of this Agreed Order, the Panel Chair is authorized by law to enter an Emergency Order of Suspension or Restriction immediately upon a finding of probable cause that a violation has occurred, after an ex parte presentation of the relevant facts by the Board's General

Order, the parties agree and stipulate that a violation of any term or condition of this Agreed Order would render the licensee's practice an immediate danger to the health, welfare and safety of patients and the general public, pursuant to KRS 311.592 and 13B.125; accordingly, the only relevant question for any emergency hearing conducted pursuant to KRS 13B.125 would be whether the licensee violated a term or condition of this Agreed Order.

5. The licensee understands and agrees that any violation of the terms of this Agreed Order would provide a legal basis for additional disciplinary action, including revocation, pursuant to KRS 311.595(13).

SO AGREED on this 27

May . 2025

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