IN THE MATTER OF

* BEFORE THE

DANIEL S. SMITHPETER, M.D.

MARYLAND STATE BOARD

Respondent

* OF PHYSICIANS

License No.: D50266

* Case No.: 2006-0403

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ORDER STAYING SUSPENSION

On June 1, 2010, the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the "Board") charged Daniel S. Smithpeter, M.D. with immoral and unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine. *See* Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(3). On December 15, 2011, the Board issued a Final Decision and Order, concluding that Dr. Smithpeter was guilty of immoral and unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, in violation of section 14-404(a)(3) of the Health Occupations Article. As a sanction, the Board suspended Dr. Smithpeter's license to practice medicine in Maryland for three years. The Board, however, also ordered that the suspension would be stayed after one year and after Dr. Smithpeter successfully completed a Board-approved one-on-one course in professional ethics with an emphasis on boundary issues.

It has been one year from the date of the December 15, 2011, order, and Dr. Smithpeter has demonstrated to the Board that he has successfully completed the one-on-one course in professional ethics with an emphasis on boundary issues. It is, thus, hereby

ORDERED that the three year suspension of Dr. Smithpeter's medical license, issued on December 15, 2011, is **STAYED**; and it is further **ORDERED** that this is a public document.

12-17-12

Date

Carole J. Catalfo, Executive Director

Maryland State Board of Physicians,