BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

In re:)
CHARLES ROSS JOHNSON, M.D.,) CONSENT ORDER
Respondent.)))

THIS MATTER is before the Board of Medical Examiners of the State of North Carolina ("Board") with respect to certain matters pertaining to Charles Ross Johnson, M.D. ("Respondent"); and, whereas it has been made known to the Board that Respondent is a recovering alcoholic who has successfully completed a Treatment Plan Contract with the North Carolina Physicians' Health Program ("NCPHP"), having been under such Treatment Plan Contract between June 1989 and June 1991; and, whereas it has been made to appear to the Board, and Respondent does not deny, that prior to his seeking treatment for his alcoholism he exercised poor judgment in entering into an intimate relationship with one of his female patients; and, whereas it further appears to the Board that once Respondent entered upon his Treatment Plan Contract with NCPHP for recovery from his alcoholism, he recognized the exploitative nature of his relationship with this patient and terminated such relationship; and, whereas such conduct by Respondent is violative of the provisions of N.C.GEN.STAT. §90-14(a)(1) and (6) as immoral, dishonorable and/or unprofessional conduct, such conduct being grounds for the suspension of Respondent's license to practice medicine in North Carolina; and, whereas Respondent has met informally with the Board to discuss this matter and Respondent now desires to resolve this matter without need for resort to more formal procedures which otherwise would be applicable and the Board has determined that it would be appropriate so to resolve this matter.

Now, therefore, with the consent of Respondent, it is **ORDERED** that:

1. Respondent's license to practice medicine in North

Carolina shall be, and it hereby is, suspended for a period of sixty (60) days as of the effective date of this Order as hereinafter set forth; provided, however, that upon completion of said sixty (60) days period of suspension, Respondent shall be placed in a probationary status for a period of three (3) years, during which Respondent may resume his practice of medicine subject to the terms and conditions hereafter set forth.

- 2. Respondent shall continue in psychotherapy with his current psychiatrist until such time as his therapist shall report to the Board that in his or her opinion Respondent no longer requires such psychotherapy. In addition, Respondent shall cause his psychotherapist to provide to the Board an initial written report, to be followed thereafter by semi-annual written reports to continue over the time in which Respondent remains in such psychotherapy.
- 3. Respondent shall continue with the program he has been following for sustaining his recovery from alcoholism and shall meet from time to time with the Medical Director of the North Carolina Physicians' Health Program as may be directed by the NCPHP Medical Director for the purpose of monitoring his continuing recovery from alcoholism.
- 4. Respondent shall meet informally with the Board on an annual basis during the time he is in a probationary status as herein provided, at such time and place as he may be notified by the Board.
- 5. Respondent shall obtain not less than fifty (50) hours of Category I Continuing Medical Education annually in subjects that are appropriate to his practice specialty.
- 6. The failure of Respondent to fully comply with any of the above probationary conditions shall be grounds, after notice and a hearing, for further disciplinary action by the Board against Respondent including, without limitation, revocation of Respondent's license to practice medicine.
- 7. Upon satisfactory completion of the three (3) year probationary period as above provided, Respondent shall be deemed released from his probationary status to continue his medical practice in accordance with the standards of accepted and prevailing medical practice and the ethics of the medical profession.
 - 8. This Consent Order shall become effective thirty (30) days after the date

hereof as set forth below. 9. Upon execution, this Consent Order shall become a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes and shall be subject to public inspection and dissemination, SO ORDERED, this the _____ day of Eebruary, 1994. **BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE** STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA y: John Wesley Mesley Mance M.D. ATTEST: Executive Secretary Consented to this the 24-к day of _____ 1994. A STANDARD OF THE STANDA Subscribed before me by Charles Ross Johnson, M.D. this the 24 th day of Thomany,

My Commission expires: 9-11-94

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD

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This matter is before the North Carolina Medical Board (hereinafter Board) to terminate the Consent Order of Charles Ross Johnson, M.D. (hereinafter Dr. Johnson), holder of license number 14696.

Whereas Dr. Johnson and the Board previously entered into a Consent Order, effective March 1, 1994 (hereinafter Consent Order), and

Whereas the Board believes that the Consent Order is no longer necessary to ensure it and the people of North Carolina that Dr. Johnson can safely practice medicine;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby ORDERS that the terms and conditions in the numbered paragraphs of the Consent Order previously entered by the Board and Dr. Johnson shall no longer remain in effect, and Dr. Johnson is hereby relieved of any continuing obligations thereunder, except those regarding the public nature of such Consent Order.

By order of the North Carolina Medical Board this 23 day of April , 1997.

NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD

Charles Trade Vice President

ATTEST:

Executive Director