LICENSE NO. E-8824

IN THE MATTER OF

THE LICENSE OF

RAYMOND DEWAYNE POTTERF, M.D.

BEFORE THE

TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

AGREED ORDER OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

On the <u>30</u> day of <u>August</u>, 2013, came on to be heard before the Texas Medical Board (the Board), duly in session, the matter of the license of Raymond Dewayne Potterf, M.D. (Respondent).

On April 5, 2013, Respondent appeared in person, with counsel Tony Cobos, at an Informal Show Compliance Proceeding and Settlement Conference in response to a letter of invitation from the staff of the Board. The Board's representatives were Melinda McMichael, M.D., a member of the Board, and Sharon Barnes, a member of a District Review Committee (Panel). Trina Richardson represented Board staff.

By the signature of Respondent on this Order, Respondent, in response to an additional letter of invitation from the staff of the Board, waives the right to appear at an Informal Show Compliance Proceeding and Settlement Conference pursuant to Section 164.004, Medical Practice Act, Title 3, Subtitle B, Texas Occupations Code and Board Rule 187.18 and all rights pursuant to Sections 2001.051 and 2001.054, Texas Government Code, including but not limited to, the right to notice and hearing, and instead agrees to the entry of this Order to resolve matters addressed herein.

Lee Bukstein prepared this Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender.

With the consent of Respondent, the Board makes the following Findings and Conclusions of Law and enters this Agreed Order.

FINDINGS

The Board finds that:

1. Respondent received all notice required by law. All jurisdictional requirements have been satisfied. Respondent waives any defect in notice and any further right to notice or

hearing under the Medical Practice Act, Title 3, Subtitle B, Texas Occupations Code (the Act) or the Rules of the Board.

- 2. Respondent currently holds Texas Medical License No. E-8824. Respondent was originally issued this license to practice medicine in Texas on August 27, 1977.
- 3. Respondent is primarily engaged in the practice of psychiatry. Respondent is board certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, a member of the American Board of Medical Specialties.
 - 4. Respondent is 71 years of age.
- 5. Respondent is currently under investigation by the Board regarding allegations that he non-therapeutically prescribed controlled substances to one patient and engaged in inappropriate conduct with another patient.
- 6. Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegations related to above Finding No. 5.
- 7. Due to age and health concerns, Respondent has decided to conclude his practice of medicine.
- 8. By Respondent's signature on this Agreed Order, Respondent requests that the voluntary surrender of his Texas Medical License be accepted in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings and that the voluntary surrender of his Texas Medical License be effective on the date of the entry of this Agreed Order.
- 9. Respondent has cooperated in the investigation of the allegations related to this Agreed Order. Respondent's cooperation, through consent to this Agreed Order, pursuant to the provisions of Section 164.002 the Act, will save money and resources for the State of Texas. To avoid further investigation, hearings, and the expense and inconvenience of litigation, Respondent agrees to the entry of this Agreed Order and to comply with its terms and conditions.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the above Findings, the Board concludes that:

1. The Board has jurisdiction over the subject matter and Respondent pursuant to the Act.

- 2. Section 164.061 of the Act and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE 196.1 and 196.2 authorize the Board to accept the voluntary and permanent surrender of Respondent's Texas Medical License.
- 3. This Order is based on Finding Nos. 5 and 6 and the specific authority of Sections 164.052(a)(5) and 164.053(a)(5) of the Act.
- 4. Section 164.002(a) of the Act authorizes the Board to resolve and make a disposition of this matter through an Agreed Order.

ORDER

Based on the above Findings and Conclusions of Law, the Board ORDERS that:

- 1. The voluntary and permanent surrender of Respondent's Texas Medical License should be, and is, accepted by the Board as of the date this Order is signed by the President of the Board.
- 2. Respondent's Texas Medical License E-8824 is, therefore, permanently canceled on August 31, 2013.
- 3. Respondent shall immediately cease practice in Texas. Respondent's practice in the state of Texas after August 31, 2013, shall constitute a violation of this Order, subjecting Respondent to disciplinary action by the Board or prosecution for practicing without a license in Texas.
- 4. Respondent shall have a period of 60 days from the entry of this Order in which to obtain a records custodian pursuant to the requirements of Board Rule 165.5(d)(2). Respondent shall provide notification to his patients pursuant to the requirements of Board Rule 165.5(d)(1) within 30 days from the entry of this Order.
- 5. Respondent shall not petition the Board for reinstatement of his Texas Medical License.
- 6. By this voluntary and permanent surrender of Respondent's Texas Medical License, Respondent resolves any and all complaints currently before the Board.

RESPONDENT WAIVES ANY FURTHER HEARINGS OR APPEALS TO THE BOARD OR TO ANY COURT IN REGARD TO ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS AGREED ORDER. RESPONDENT AGREES THAT THIS IS A FINAL ORDER.

THIS ORDER IS A PUBLIC RECORD.

I, RAYMOND DEWAYNE POTTERF, M.D., HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING AGREED ORDER. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY. I UNDERSTAND THIS AGREED ORDER CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND, VERBAL, WRITTEN OR OTHERWISE.

RAYMOND DEWAYNE POTTERF, M.D. Respondent

COUNTY OF BELOW

SWORN TO AND ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, on this ________, 2013.

Signature of Notary Public

HILDA M. GUTIERREZ
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
DECEMBER 8, 2013

SIGNED AND ENTERED by the presiding officer of the Texas Medical Board on this <u>30</u> day of <u>August</u>, 2013.

Irvin E. Zeitler, Jr., D.Q., President Texas Medical Board