**VIRGINIA:** 

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICINE

IN RE:

J. RONALD HELLER, M.D.

License No.: 0101-023910

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") and J. Ronald Heller, M.D., as evidenced by their signatures affixed below, agree to enter into this Consent Order affecting the license

of Dr. Heller to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Board adopts the following findings in this matter:

1. Dr. Heller was issued license number 0101-023910 by the Board to practice

medicine in the Commonwealth of Virginia on December 3, 1973. Said license is currently

active and will expire on January 31, 2008, unless renewed or otherwise restricted.

2. In or about 1994, Dr. Heller was diagnosed with a progressive neurological

disorder, and in 2006, he qualified for full disability from the Social Security Administration

due to his illness.

3. Dr. Heller retired from the practice of child and adolescent psychiatry on or

about June 1, 2006, and has no intention of resuming the practice of medicine.

4. In a letter dated January 22, 2007, Dr. Heller notified the Board that he wished

to voluntarily surrender his license to practice medicine in Virginia.

**CONCLUSION OF LAW** 

This matter is properly before the Board for consideration.

## **CONSENT**

- I, J. Ronald Heller, M.D., by affixing my signature hereto, acknowledge that:
- 1. I have been advised specifically to seek the advice of counsel prior to signing this document and am represented by Francis McQ. Lawrence, Esquire;
- 2. I am fully aware that without my consent, no legal action can be taken against me, except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, § 2.2-4000.A <u>et seq.</u> of the Code of Virginia;
  - 3. I have the following rights, among others:
    - a. the right to an administrative proceeding before the Board; and
    - b. the right to appear in person or by counsel, or other qualified representative

before the agency.

- 4. I waive all rights to an administrative proceeding;
- 5. I admit the truth of the above Findings of Fact; and
- 6. I consent to the following Order affecting my license to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

## **ORDER**

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and with the consent of the licensee, it is hereby ORDERED that the Board accept the VOLUNTARY and PERMANENT SURRENDER of Dr. Heller's license.

Upon entry of this Consent Order, the license of J. Ronald Heller, M.D., will be recorded as surrendered and no longer current.

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Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400.2(F) of the Code, the signed original of this Consent Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as a public record and shall be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

FOR THE BOARD:

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William L. Harp, M.D.

Executive Director

Virginia Board of Medicine

ENTERED: 6/28/07

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

J. Ronald Heller, M.D.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY CITY OF Charlotte TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the undersigned Notary Public, in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, at large, this  $5^{\frac{1}{10}}$  day of  $\frac{1}{1000}$ , 2007, by J. Ronald Heller, M.D.

Notary Public

My commission expires:  $\frac{7/31/09}{}$