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BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE

IN RE: **ROBERT O. FRIEDEL, M.D.**
 License Number: 0101-028839
 Case Number: 220381

CONSENT ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") and Robert O. Friedel, M.D., as evidenced by their signatures hereto, in lieu of proceeding to an informal conference, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Dr. Friedel's license to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Robert O. Friedel, M.D., was issued License Number 0101-028839 to practice medicine on December 5, 1977, which is scheduled to expire on August 31, 2022.
2. Dr. Friedel suffers from mental and/or physical incapacity to practice his profession with safety to his patients and the public, in violation of Virginia Code § 54.1-2915(A)(4). Specifically:
 - a. See Confidential Exhibit
 - b. See Confidential Exhibit
 - c. Due to Dr. Friedel's diagnoses of cognitive deficits and Alzheimer's disease with late onset, he has been advised not to practice medicine at this time.
3. Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400.2(K), the Board considered whether to disclose or not disclose Dr. Friedel's health records or health services.

CONSENT

Robert O. Friedel, M.D., by affixing his signature to this Consent Order, agrees to the following:

1. I have been advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document;

2. I am fully aware that without my consent, no legal action can be taken against me or my license except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, Virginia Code § 2.2-4000 *et seq.*;
3. I acknowledge that I have the following rights, among others: the right to an informal fact-finding conference before the Board; and the right to representation by counsel;
4. I waive my right to an informal conference;
5. I admit to the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein and waive my right to contest such Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and any sanction imposed hereunder in any future judicial or administrative proceeding in which the Board is a party;
6. I consent to the entry of the following Order affecting my license to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Virginia Board of Medicine hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. The Board accepts the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Robert O. Friedel's license to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
2. The license of Dr. Friedel will be recorded as SURRENDERED.
3. Should Dr. Friedel seek reinstatement of his license, an administrative proceeding shall be convened to consider such application. At such time, the burden shall be on Dr. Friedel to demonstrate that he is safe and competent to return to the practice of medicine. Dr. Friedel shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and/or renewal of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2, the signed original of this 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

W. L. Hyatt MD
for Jennifer Deschenes, J.D., M.S.
Deputy Executive Director
Virginia Board of Medicine

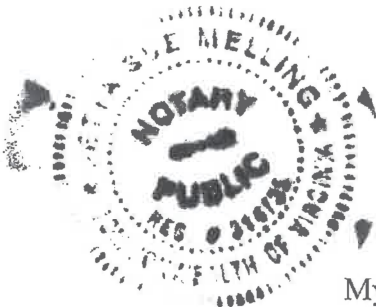
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SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Robert O. Friedel
Robert O. Friedel, M.D.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY/CITY OF Chesterfield, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia at large,
on this 24th day of August, 2022.



Jutta S. Mellin
Notary Public

My commission expires: August 31, 2024

Registration No.: 314735