**VIRGINIA:** 

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICINE

IN RE:

JAMES HAROLD EGAN, M.D.

License No.: 0101-042094

**CONSENT ORDER** 

The Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") and James Harold Egan, M.D., as evidenced by their signatures affixed below, agree to enter into this Consent Order affecting the license of Dr. Egan to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board adopts the following findings and conclusions in this matter:

1. James Harold Egan, M.D., was issued license number 0101-042094 by the Board to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Virginia on July 12, 2004. Said license is currently active and will expire on June 30, 2012, unless renewed or otherwise restricted.

2. Dr. Egan violated Section 54.1-2915.A(5) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), in that by Consent Order dated July 28, 2010, the Maryland Board of Physicians issued Dr. Egan a reprimand and placed him on probation for eighteen (18) months subject to terms and conditions, to include successfully completing a course in psychiatrist-patient professionalism/communication/boundary issues and payment of administrative costs. This action was based on findings that Dr. Egan failed to appropriately assess or formulate an adequate plan to address a report of a patient, an 11-year-old male, of being sexually abused and the psychological effect/trauma from the incident; failed to assess or document an assessment of the patient's suicide risk; failed to

maintain professional decorum during an office visit/evaluation in that he made inappropriate statements to the patient after he described being sexually abused; inappropriately discouraged complainants/patient from pursing a police investigation; and failed to keep adequate medical records.

## **CONSENT**

- I, James Harold Egan, 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;
- 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 informal conference 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 informal conference;
- 5. I admit the truth of the Findings of Fact contained herein and agree not to contest the Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law in any subsequent proceeding before the Board; and
- 6. I consent to the following Order affecting my license to practice medicine and surgery 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 James Harold Egan, M.D., be, and hereby is, issued a REPRIMAND.

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400.2 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:

William L. Harp, M.D.

Executive Director

Virginia Board of Medicine

ENTERED: 4/21/2011

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

James Harold Egan, M.D.

STATE OF MARYLAND COUNTY/CITY OF MUNICIPAL TO WIT:

Notary Public

Registration Number:

My commission expires:

MOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MARYLAND
My Commission Expires January 10, 2012