# IN AND BEFORE THE OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND SUPERVISION STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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MAY 0 4 2001 **STATE OF OKLAHOMA** ) EX REL. THE OKLAHOMA BOARD ) OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF **OF MEDICAL LICENSURE** ) MEDICAL LICENSURE & SUPERVISION AND SUPERVISION, Plaintiff, Case No. 99-05-2084 v. ) AMBROSIO PINAROC, M.D., LICENSE NO. 11203 ) ) Defendant. )

### FINAL ORDER OF SUSPENSION

This cause came on for hearing before the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision (the "Board") on May 3, 2001, at the office of the Board, 5104 N. Francis, Suite C, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, pursuant to notice given as required by law and the rules of the Board.

Elizabeth A. Scott, Assistant Attorney General, appeared for the plaintiff and defendant appeared through counsel, Eric Fisher.

The Board *en banc* after hearing arguments of counsel, reviewing the exhibits admitted and the pleadings filed, and being fully advised in the premises, found that there is clear and convincing evidence to support the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Orders:

### Findings of Fact

1. The Board is a duly authorized agency of the State of Oklahoma empowered to license and oversee the activities of physicians and surgeons in the State of Oklahoma pursuant to 59 Okla. Stat. §480 *et seq.* 

2. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter, and notice has been given in all respects in accordance with law and the rules of the Board.

3. Defendant, Ambrosio Pinaroc, M.D., holds Oklahoma license no. 11203.

4. From March 1999 through January 2000, Patients A through G were admitted to the Arbuckle Memorial Hospital. Defendant was each of these patients' primary physician during these admissions at which time patient care was jeopardized due to Defendant's acts of negligence or his inability to diagnose and treat these patients with appropriate skill or knowledge. Such acts include, but are not limited to Defendant's failure to diagnose, failure to order pertinent tests, failure to address abnormal test results, and misdiagnosis of illnesses.

5. Defendant is guilty of unprofessional conduct in that he:

A. Engaged in conduct which is likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public in violation of 59 O.S. §509(9) and OAC 435:10-7-4(11).

B. Engaged in gross or repeated negligence in the practice of medicine and surgery in violation of OAC 435:10-7-4(15).

C. Engaged in practice or other behavior which demonstrates an incapacity or incompetence to practice medicine and surgery in violation of OAC 435:10-7-4(18).

D. Is unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of age, illness, drunkenness, excessive use of drugs, narcotics, chemicals, or any other type of material or as a result of any mental or physical condition in violation of 59 O.S. §509(16) and OAC 435:10-7-4(40).

## Conclusions of Law

1. The Board has jurisdiction and authority over the Defendant and subject matter herein pursuant to the Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act (the "Act") and its applicable regulations. The Board is authorized to enforce the Act as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

2. Defendant is guilty of unprofessional conduct in that he:

A. Engaged in conduct which is likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public in violation of 59 O.S. §509(9) and OAC 435:10-7-4(11).

B. Engaged in gross or repeated negligence in the practice of medicine and surgery in violation of OAC 435:10-7-4(15).

С. Engaged in practice or other behavior which demonstrates an incapacity or incompetence to practice medicine and surgery in violation of OAC 435:10-7-4(18).

D. Is unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of age, illness, drunkenness, excessive use of drugs, narcotics, chemicals, or any other type of material or as a result of any mental or physical condition in violation of 59 O.S. §509(16) and OAC 435:10-7-4(40).

### Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision as follows:

1. The license of Defendant, Ambrosio Pinaroc, M.D., Oklahoma license no. 11203, is hereby SUSPENDED beginning May 3, 2001 and continuing until the Board meeting on July 19-21, 2001, at which time Defendant may appear before the Board to seek reinstatement of his license.

Promptly upon receipt of an invoice, Defendant shall pay all costs of this action 2. authorized by law, including without limitation, legal fees and investigation costs.

3. Defendant's suspended license shall not be reinstated unless Defendant has reimbursed the Board for all taxed costs.

Dated this <u>4</u> day of May, 2001.

Gerald C. Zumwalt, M.D., Secretary Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on the  $\Im$  day of May, 2001, I mailed, via first class mail, postage prepaid, a true and correct copy of this Order of Suspension to Larry Blankenship, 1800 Mid-America Tower, 20 N. Broadway, Oklahoma City, OK 73102.

Janet Owens