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

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA, *ex rel.* OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND SUPERVISION,

Plaintiff,

v.

WILLIAM C. BRADFORD, JR., M.D., LICENSE NO. MD 11776,



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OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE & SUPERVISION

Case No. 19-01-5694

Defendant.

SECOND ORDER OF CONTINUANCE WITH NOTICE OF HEARING

The undersigned Secretary for the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision ("Board"), in consideration of the agreement of the parties, enters the following orders:

- 1. On April 22, 2019, Defendant agreed not to practice.
- 2. On June 10, 2019, a Verified Complaint ("2019 Complaint") and Citation were each filed. Hearing was set for November 7, 2019.
- 3. Answer to Complaint was filed on June 28, 2019, by Gary Rife previously of Rife, Walters, Stanley & Natarajan, LLP, as counsel for Defendant.
- 4. By oral agreement of the parties, an Order of Continuance was filed on October 23, 2019, along with its Exhibit 1, resetting hearing and Scheduling Order deadlines on the 2019 Complaint to the January 16, 2020 Board meeting.
- 5. The parties have conferred and hereby request a second continuance of the 2019 Complaint to the March 5, 2020 Board meeting, to allow time for completion of assessment.
- 6. The Board finds that the ends of justice served by granting of such continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the Defendant in a speedy hearing, and for good cause shown the requested continuance is **GRANTED**.
- 7. Premises considered and for good cause shown, the 2019 Complaint, filed June 10, 2019, is rescheduled for hearing at the meeting of the Board on March 5,

2020. All deadlines are reset to the Scheduling Order established for the March 5, 2020 Board meeting, attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.

8. Please take notice that the 2019 Complaint will be heard by the Board at the March 5, 2020 meeting of the Board, which will begin at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will take place at the office of the Board, 101 N.E. 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105-1821.

Dated this **30rd** day of December, 2019.

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Billy H. Stout, M.D., Board Secretary OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND SUPERVISION

Certificate of Service

This is to certify that on the $3/5^{+}$ day of <u>December</u>, 2019, a true and correct copy of this Order was transmitted as indicated, postage prepaid, to the following:

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EXHIBIT 1

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OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE & SUPERVISION

SCHEDULING ORDER – MARCH 2020

This Scheduling Order is issued pursuant to Okla. Admin. Code § 435:3-3-7. Alteration of this Scheduling Order shall only be approved upon written motion for good cause shown, to the Board Secretary or Trial Examiner.

1.	File dispositive motions	January 23, 2020
2.	Exchange final witness and exhibit lists	January 30, 2020
3.	Discovery completed/answered	February 13, 2020
4.	Pre-trial conference (as needed, to review contested items)	earlier or by: February 13, 2020
5.	File Motion for Continuance	February 27, 2020
6.	Board Hearing	March 5, 2020

- <u>Answer</u> Defendant shall file a written answer under oath, to the complaint, within 20 days after service of the citation. If the answer is not filed, the defendant shall be considered in default. 59 O.S. § 503; 12 O.S. § 2012, Okla. Admin. Code § 435:3-3-8 *et seq*. Failure to file an answer may subject defendant to default judgment.
- <u>Discovery</u> The failure of a party to have sufficient time to exercise any discovery mechanism on account of a lack of time shall not of itself constitute good cause for the granting of a continuance. Okla. Admin. Code § 435:3-3-9.
- <u>Settlement</u> Unless precluded by law, informal disposition may be made of any individual proceeding by stipulation, agreed settlement, consent order, or default. 75 O.S. § 309(E). The Board may accept a Voluntary Submittal to Jurisdiction (VSJ) entered into by staff and defendant; and, VSJ's shall be the responsibility of the Secretary of the Board or Executive Director in his/her absence. Okla. Admin. Code § 435:5-1-5-1. The Board may accept Surrender in Lieu of Prosecution (SILOP) in lieu of prosecuting a pending disciplinary action or filing formal disciplinary proceedings only as provided in this section. 59 O.S. § 509.1(E), et seq.
- <u>Continuance</u> Continuance requests shall be filed at the offices of the Board. The Secretary of the Board, or the Trial Examiner at the pre-trial conference, may receive and rule on motions for continuance filed prior to seven (7) days before the hearing date. If the continuance is denied, the party may renew the request and move for a continuance at the hearing. Okla. Admin. Code § 435:3-3-7(c).

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Billy H. Stout, M.D., Board Secretary Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision