IN AND BEFORE THE OKLAHOMA 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,)
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Plaintiff,)
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v.)
CARL P. GRIFFIN, M.D.,)
Medical License No. 16969,	
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Defendant.) i

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OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE & SUPERVISION

Case No. 01-05-2349

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO TERMINATE PROBATION

This matter came on for hearing before the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision on March 27, 2003, at the office of the Board, 5104 N. Francis, Suite C, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, pursuant to notice given as required by law and rules of the Board.

Defendant appeared in person, pro se, thereby waiving his right to counsel at the hearing.

The Board sitting *en banc* after hearing testimony, reviewing the request and other materials presented, and being fully apprised of the premises, made the following Findings of Fact:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Board *en banc* has jurisdiction over the subject matter herein, and notice has been given in all respects as required by law and the rules of the Board.

2 The evidence reflects that

a. Defendant is licensed as a physician and surgeon in Oklahoma under Oklahoma Medical License No. 16969.

b. On June 6, 2002, Defendant entered into a Voluntary Submittal to

Jurisdiction (VSJ) following a complaint and citation for unprofessional conduct. The VSJ included a restriction that Defendant not be allowed to prescribe any controlled dangerous substances without the prior express approval of the Board.

c. On March 5, 2003, Defendant requested that his restriction be lifted.

d. Defendant has not shown satisfactory evidence of his ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety without the restriction to justify early termination of his restriction.

3. These factors raise serious issues as to the Defendant's ability to practice medicine and surgery with reasonable skill and safety, and the Defendant has failed to produce evidence to overcome these issues as to his competency and fitness to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Oklahoma without restriction.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1 The Board has jurisdiction to hear this matter pursuant to 59 O. S. § 481 *et seq.*

2. Defendant failed to fulfill the requirements of 59 Okla. Stat. §481 *et seq.*, and the applicable rules of the Board, to justify early termination of the restriction imposed upon his Oklahoma Medical License under the June 6, 2002 Final Order.

ORDER

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

Defendant's motion to terminate his restriction is **DENIED**.

2. All terms and conditions of the Final Order entered on June 6, 2002 in this case shall remain in full force and effect until modified or terminated by Board order upon its own motion or pursuant to motion of Defendant.

3. A copy of this written order shall be sent to Defendant as soon as it is processed.

Dated this day of April, 2003. C

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

Certificate of Service

On the <u>0</u> day of April, 2003, a true and correct copy of this order was mailed, postage prepaid, to Carl P. Griffin, M.D., 4334 N.W. Expressway, #201, Oklahoma City, OK 73116.

Janet Swindle