

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

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

Plaintiff,)

v.)

WILLIAM DALE WRIGHT, M.D.,)
LICENSE NO. MD 16990,)

Defendant.)

Case No. 08-08-3552

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OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF
MEDICAL LICENSURE & SUPERVISION

**ORDER GRANTING REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE
UNDER TERMS OF PROBATION**

This matter came on for hearing before the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision ("Board") on September 15, 2022, at the office of the Board, 101 N.E. 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, pursuant to notice given as required by law and rules of the Board.

This Order Granting Reinstatement of License Under Terms of Probation After Revocation is entered into by and between Billy H. Stout, Secretary of the Board and William Dale Wright, M.D. 59 O.S. §§ 506(A).

Billy H. Stout, M.D., Board Secretary appeared in person on behalf of Plaintiff. Defendant appeared in person, *pro se*. Plaintiff and Defendant are collectively referred to herein as the "Parties."

The Board heard representations of the Parties, reviewed the exhibits presented and being fully advised of the premises, makes the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and orders.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Plaintiff, Defendant and the Board staff stipulate and agree as follows:

1. On July 1, 1989, Defendant was issued Oklahoma medical license no. 16990.
2. On December 3, 2009, a Verified Complaint ("2009 Complaint") and Citation were each filed by the Board alleging a relapse as evidenced by a positive alcohol test.
3. After hearing, a Final Order of Revocation revoking Defendant's license was filed May 28, 2010.
4. After Defendant's Application for Reinstatement was filed, on February 15, 2013, an Order of Reinstatement of Medical License Upon Terms of Probation After Prior Revocation was filed ("2013 Order of Revocation").
5. On December 11, 2019, Plaintiff filed a Motion to Enforce Board Order for violations of the 2013 Order of Reinstatement, to wit: relapsed on alcohol and confessed to committing a felony.

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6. On July 30, 2020, an Order Granting Motion to Enforce Board Order and Revocation of Medical License was entered.
7. On March 3, 2022, Defendant applied for reinstatement of his Oklahoma medical license ("2022 Application for Reinstatement").
8. Any conclusion of law below which is more properly characterized as a finding of fact is hereby incorporated as a finding of fact.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

9. The Board has jurisdiction over the subject matter and 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. 59 O.S. § 480 *et seq.*, 59 O.S. 492 *et seq.*; Okla. Admin. Code §§ 435:5-1-1 *et seq.*, 435:10-4-2.
10. Notice was provided as required by law and the rules of the Board. 75 O.S. § 309; 59 O.S. § 504; Okla. Admin. Code §§ 435:3-3-5, 435:3-3-6.
11. The Board may require satisfactory evidence of professional competence and good moral character from applicants requesting reinstatement of any license or certificate issued by the Board. 59 O.S. § 495h.
12. Defendant has met all requirements for reinstatement of his license. 59 O.S. § 492.1 *et seq.*, Okla. Admin. Code §§ 435:5-1-6, *et seq.*, 435:5-1-6.1.
13. The Board may approve reinstatement with terms of probation or restrictions as deemed necessary to protect the health, safety and well-being of the public. Okla. Admin. Code §§ 435:5-1-6.
14. Any finding of fact above which is more properly characterized as a conclusion of law is hereby incorporated as a conclusion of law.

ORDERS

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

15. Pursuant to the terms and conditions herein stated, the Oklahoma medical license no. 16990 of **WILLIAM DALE WRIGHT, M.D.**, is **REINSTATED**, effective on the date of the filing of this order.
16. **WILLIAM DALE WRIGHT, M.D.** is hereby placed on **INDEFINITE PROBATION**.
17. **WILLIAM DALE WRIGHT, M.D.** shall comply with all the following terms and conditions:

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Specific Terms:

- a. Defendant shall sign an indefinite contract with Oklahoma Health Professionals Program ("OHPP"). Defendant shall abide by all recommendations of the OHPP, including but not limited to random urine drug screens, Peth tests, hair tests, nail tests and breathalyzer (SoberLink) tests.
- b. Defendant shall ensure OHPP provides quarterly reports to the Board Secretary and the Board's Compliance Coordinator of all OHPP acquired urine drug screens, test results and meeting attendance records.
- c. All of Defendant's prospective employment related to the medical field and any work setting shall be approved of in advance by the Board Secretary during any period that he is working in Oklahoma, which includes locum tenens and tele-medicine. If Defendant desires to change his employment, the proposed working environment must be approved of in advance by the Board Secretary.
- d. Defendant shall abide by all recommendations of the Compliance Coordinator, Gary Ricks, including but not limited to random urine drug screens, Peth tests, hair tests, nail tests and breathalyzer (SoberLink) tests.
- e. Defendant shall acquire a medical doctor for management of any medical issues, who must be approved of in advance by the Board Secretary.
- f. Upon return to practice, Defendant shall not work more than forty (40) hours per week for six (6) months after return to practice. Any request to work more than forty hours per week must be approved of in advance by the Board Secretary.
- g. Defendant shall attend a minimum of three (3) twelve step recovery meetings per week and submit proof of attendance to the Compliance Coordinator.
- h. Within six (6) months, Defendant will obtain a sponsor with a minimum of two (2) years of sobriety.
- i. Immediately upon learning that Defendant is in violation of the terms of his ^{Board order} ~~deferment~~ as set forth in the Deferment order entered in the case styled *State of Oklahoma v. William Dale Wright*, Case No. CF-18-89 (District Court of Garvin County, State of Oklahoma), the Executive Director of the Board may summarily suspend Defendant's license based on imminent harm to the public and assign a hearing date for the matter to be presented at the next scheduled Board meeting. 59 O.S. § 506(B). _{ASIS}

Standard Terms:

- j. Defendant shall conduct his practice in compliance with the Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act ("Act") as interpreted by the Board. Any question of interpretation regarding the Act or this Order shall be submitted in writing to the Board, and no action based on the subject of the question will be taken by Defendant until clarification of interpretation is received by Defendant from the Board or its authorized designee. 59 O.S. § 480, *et seq.*
- k. Defendant shall furnish a file-stamped copy of this Order stipulating terms imposed by the Board, to each and every state in which he holds licensure or applies for

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licensure and to all hospitals, clinics, or other facilities in which he/she holds or anticipates holding any form of staff privileges or employment.



- l. Defendant will keep the Board informed of his current address.
- m. Defendant will keep current payment of all assessments by the Board for prosecution, investigation, and monitoring of his case, which shall include, but is not limited to, a fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per month during the term of probation, unless Defendant affirmatively obtains a deferment of all or part of said fees upon presentation of evidence that is acceptable to the Board Secretary.
- n. Until such time as all indebtedness to the Board has been satisfied, Defendant will reaffirm said indebtedness in any bankruptcy proceeding.
- o. Defendant will not supervise allied health professionals, physician assistants, or advanced nurse practitioners, that require surveillance of a licensed medical practitioner. Okla. Admin. Code § 435:5-1-8.
- p. For good cause shown, upon request of the Board or its designee, Defendant will submit biological specimens for analysis, including but not limited to, blood, urine, hair follicle and nail samples, and Defendant will pay the costs attendant thereto.
- q. Defendant will take no medication except that which is authorized by a physician treating him for a legitimate medical need, and only during that time in which he is being treated by the physician for that specific medical need. Defendant has the affirmative duty to inform any and every doctor treating him of this Order immediately upon initiation, or continuation of treatment. In the event that Defendant is prescribed any controlled dangerous substance during the term of this Order, Defendant shall contact the Board Secretary and/or the Compliance Coordinator to discuss the prescription.
- r. Defendant shall not prescribe, administer, or dispense any prescription medications for personal use or for that of any family members, friends, employees, or associates.
- s. Defendant will have the affirmative duty not to ingest any substance, including but not limited to alcohol, which will cause a body fluid sample to test positive for prohibited substances.
- t. Defendant shall promptly notify the Board Secretary or Compliance Coordinator of any citation or arrest for traffic or for criminal offenses.
- u. Upon request, Defendant shall make himself available for one or more personal appearances before the Board or its authorized designee.
- v. Defendant will execute such releases of medical and psychiatric records during the entire term of this Order as necessary for use by the Board Secretary and/or Compliance Coordinator to obtain copies of medical records and assessments and authorize the Board Secretary and/or Compliance Coordinator to discuss Defendant's case with Defendant's treating physicians and/or any physicians holding Defendant's records.
- w. If Defendant moves his residence or practice location out of the State of Oklahoma during this Order, this Order will be tolled until such time as Defendant returns to the State of Oklahoma and begins practicing within the state. Defendant will notify the Board Secretary and/or Compliance Coordinator prior to moving out-of-state.
- x. Failure to meet any of the terms of this Order will constitute cause for the Board to initiate additional proceedings to suspend, revoke or modify Defendant's license after due notice and hearing.

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- y. Immediately upon learning that a licensee is in violation of a Board-ordered probation, the Executive Director of the Board may summarily suspend the license based on imminent harm to the public and assign a hearing date for the matter to be presented at the next scheduled Board meeting. 59 O.S. § 506(B).
 - Z. Defendant shall submit any required reports and forms on a timely and prompt basis to the Compliance Coordinator or authorized designee.
 - aa. Defendant shall obey all state, federal and local laws governing the practice of medicine in the State of Oklahoma. Licensee shall immediately notify the Board or its designee of any arrest or charge filed against him.
 - ab. Any violation of the terms, conditions and requirements of this Agreement shall constitute evidence of unprofessional or dishonorable conduct, which may result in disciplinary action, including suspension or revocation.
18. Promptly upon receipt of an invoice, Defendant shall pay all costs of this action authorized by law, including without limitation, legal fees, investigation costs, staff time, salary and travel expenses, witness fees and attorney's fees.

19. A copy of this Order shall be provided to Defendant as soon as it is processed.

Dated this 15th day of September, 2022.

	
Billy H. Stout, M.D., Board Secretary	Don Wilber, M.D., President Steven Katsis, MD
OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL	OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL

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William Dale Wright, M.D.

License MD 1699

Defendant

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF OKLAHOMA)

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COUNTY OF Cicahoma)

This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 15 day of September,
2022, by [Defendant]



Notary Public Lisa Kullen
Commission Expiration: 08/09/2024

Certificate of Service

This is to certify that on the 16th day of September, 2022, the foregoing instrument was transmitted as indicated, postage prepaid, to the following:

U.S. Certified Mail
William Dale Wright, M.D.
4716 Pinon Court
Norman, OK 73072

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