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

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, ex rel. OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD	} FILED
OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND SUPERVISION,) JUL 2 8 2022
Plaintiff,	OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE & SUPERVISION
vs.) Case No. 22-04-6117
MARY JANE RORICK, P.A., LICENSE NO. PA 1748,)
Defendant.)

ORDER ACCEPTING

VOLUNTARY SUBMITTAL TO JURISDICTION

The State of Oklahoma, *ex rel*. Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision ("Board"), by and through the undersigned counsel for the Plaintiff, as represented by the Secretary of the Board, Billy H. Stout, M.D., and the Executive Director of the Board, Lyle Kelsey, along with Mary Jane Rorick, PA ("Defendant"), Oklahoma Physician Assistants License No. 1748, who appears in person, pro se (collectively, the "Parties"), hereby offer this Order Accepting Voluntary Submittal to Jurisdiction (herein, "Order" or "Agreement") for acceptance by the Board. Okla. Admin. Code § 435:5-1-5.1.

By voluntarily submitting to jurisdiction and entering into this Order, Defendant admits to the allegations herein contained and further acknowledges that a hearing before the Board could result in some sanction under the Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act ("Act"). 59 O.S. § 480, et seq.

Defendant states that she is of sound mind and is not under the influence of, or impaired by, any medication or drug and that she fully recognizes her right to appear before the Board for an evidentiary hearing on the allegations made against her. Defendant hereby voluntarily waives her right to a full hearing, submits to the jurisdiction of the Board and agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of this Order. Defendant acknowledges that she has read and understands the terms and conditions stated herein.

If the Board does not accept this Order, the Parties stipulate that it shall be regarded as null and void. Admissions by Defendant herein, if any, shall not be regarded as evidence against her in a subsequent disciplinary hearing. Defendant will be free to defend herself and no inferences will be made from his willingness to have this Order accepted by the Board. The Parties stipulate

that neither the presentation of this Order nor the Board's consideration of this Order shall be deemed to have unfairly or illegally prejudiced the Board or its individual members and, therefore, shall not be grounds for precluding the Board nor any individual Board member from further participation in proceedings related to the matters set forth herein.

Findings of Fact

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

- 1. In Oklahoma, Defendant holds Physician Assistant license no. 1748.
- 2. Defendant's P.A. license expired as of April 1, 2021. When Board Investigator Robbin Roberts questioned Defendant regarding her license, Defendant admitted that she just forgot to renew it. Defendant was working at North Ford Correctional Center in Sayre, OK and stated when she found out that her license was expired, on or about February 15, 2022, she told her supervisor that she needed to resign immediately and could not see another patient. She then contacted Board Staff and applied for reinstatement.

Conclusions of Law

- 3. 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. and Okla. Admin. Code §§ 435:5-1-1 et seq. The Board has specific authority to oversee and discipline Physician Assistants pursuant to 59 O.S. 519.3(E) and Okla. Admin. Code § 435:15-5-11(a)(4).
- 4. 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.
- 5. The Board is authorized to suspend, revoke, or order any other appropriate conditions against the license of any Physician Assistant holding a license to practice in the State of Oklahoma for unprofessional conduct. 59 O.S. §§ 503, 513(A)(1), 519.3(E). The Board's action is authorized by 59 O.S. § 509.1 and/or 519.3(E).
- 6. The Board is authorized to accept voluntary submittals to jurisdiction mutually agreed to by parties to a disciplinary action to resolve the action without need for a hearing. 75 O.S. § 309(E); Okla. Admin. Code § 435:5-1-5.1.
- 7. Based on the foregoing, the Defendant is guilty of professional misconduct as follows:
 - a. No health care services may be performed by a physician assistant unless a current license is on file with and approved by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision. in violation of Title 59 § 519.6 (A),

- b. Any person not licensed under the Physician Assistant Act is guilty of a misdemeanor and is subject to penalties applicable to the unlicensed practice of medicine if he or she:
 - i. Holds himself or herself out as a physician assistant;
 - ii. Uses any combination or abbreviation of the term "physician assistant" to indicate or imply that he or she is a physician assistant; or
 - Acts as a physician assistant without being licensed by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision.

Orders

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

- 1. The Board hereby adopts the Agreement of the Parties in this *Order Accepting Voluntary Submittal to Jurisdiction*, including the findings of fact and conclusions of law stated herein.
- 2. **MARY JANE RORICK, PA.**, Oklahoma Physician Assistants license no. 1748, is hereby formally **REPRIMANDED**.
- 3. Defendant shall pay a fine of \$500.00 within 120 days of this Order being entered.
- 4. 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 fees.
- 5. A copy of this Order shall be provided to Defendant as soon as it is processed.

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Dated this St day of July , 2022

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

Louis Cox, M.D., President

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STATE OF OKLAHOMA)
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This instrument was acknowledged before 2022, by Mary Jane Rorick.	me on the SHELLEY CROWDER (SEAL) Notary Public State of Oklahoma Commission #16007787 Exp: 08/12/24
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Notary Public

Commission Expiration: August 12, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on the 28th day of ______, 2022, a true and correct copy of this Order was transmitted as indicated, postage prepaid, to the following:

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