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

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| APPLICATION OF |)) | JUL 3 0 2009 |
| MARK E.DWARD RIGNEY, M.D., |) | OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE & SUPERVISION |
| FOR REINSTATEMENT OF OKLAHOMA MEDICAL LICENSE NO. 22078 |)) | Case No. 06-01-3053 |
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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 on July 23, 2009, at the Board office, 5104 North Francis, Suite C, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118, pursuant to notice given as required by law and rules of the Board.

Defendant, Mark Edward Rigney, M.D., appeared in person and pro se.

Elizabeth A. Scott, Assistant Attorney General, appeared on behalf of the State of Oklahoma, ex rel. the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision.

The Board *en banc* heard testimony, reviewed the exhibits presented, and being fully apprised of the premises, entered the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Orders:

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. On January 29, 2009, after hearing before the Board en banc, the Board entered a Final Order of Suspension based upon violation of the May 15, 2008 Order Granting Reinstatement of License Under Terms of Probation.
 - 3. Defendant is now seeking reinstatement of his Oklahoma medical license no. 22078.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Board has jurisdiction to reinstate the license of a physician pursuant to 59 O.S. §508.1.
- 2. The Board may impose practice parameters and other restrictions as necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public under 59 O.S. §480 et seq.

ORDER

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

- 1. Defendant's medical license shall be reinstated under the following terms and conditions of **PROBATION**, which shall continue **INDEFINITELY** from the date of reinstatement under the following terms and conditions:
 - A. Defendant will conduct his practice in compliance with the Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act as interpreted by the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision. Any question of interpretation regarding said Act 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 Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision.
 - B. Upon request of the Board Secretary, Defendant will request all hospitals, clinics and other facilities in which he practices to furnish to the Board Secretary a written statement regarding monitoring of his practice while performing services in or to that hospital, clinic or facility.
 - C. Defendant will furnish to each and every state in which he holds licensure or applies for licensure and hospitals, clinics or other institutions in which he holds or anticipates holding any form of staff privilege or employment, a copy of the Board Order stipulating sanctions imposed by the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision.
 - D. Defendant will not supervise allied health professionals that require surveillance of a licensed physician.

- F. Defendant will submit for analysis biological fluid specimens including, but not limited to, blood and urine, upon request of the Board or its designee, and Defendant will pay for the costs attendant thereto.
- G. Defendant will not prescribe, administer or dispense any medications for personal use or for that of any family member.
- H. Defendant will take no medication except that which is authorized by a physician treating him for a legitimate medical need. Defendant has the affirmative duty to inform any and every doctor treating him of the Board Order immediately upon initiation, or continuation of treatment.
- I. Defendant will have the affirmative duty not to ingest any substance which will cause a body fluid sample to test positive for prohibited substances, including but not limited to alcohol.
- J. Defendant will authorize in writing the release of any and all information regarding his treatment at any treatment center and will execute such releases of medical and psychiatric records during the entire term of probation as necessary for use by the Compliance Consultant or other Board designee to obtain copies of medical records and authorize the Compliance Consultant or other Board designee to discuss Defendant's case with Defendant's treating physicians and/or any physicians holding Defendant's records.
- K. Defendant will abide by the terms and recommendations of his contracts with his treatment centers and the Oklahoma Health Professionals Recovery Program.
- L. Defendant will attend four (4) meetings per week of a local 12-step program, including one (1) meeting per week of the Health Professionals Recovery Program.
- M. Defendant shall promptly notify the Board of any relapse, including any entry, or re-entry, into a treatment program for substance abuse.
- N. Defendant shall promptly notify the Board of any citation or arrest for traffic or for criminal offenses involving substance abuse.
- O. Defendant shall continue treatment with Suboxone and

shall submit quarterly reports from the physician managing his Suboxone treatment to the Board Secretary for his review.

- P. Defendant will keep the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision informed of his current address.
- Q. Defendant will keep current payment of all assessment by the Board for prosecution, investigation and monitoring of his case, including but not limited to a \$100.00 per month monitoring fee.
- R. Until such time as all indebtedness to the Oklahoma State Board of Medial Licensure and Supervision has been satisfied, Defendant will reaffirm said indebtedness in any and all bankruptcy proceedings.
- S. Defendant shall make himself available for one or more personal appearances before the Board or its designee upon request.
- T. Defendant shall submit any required reports and forms on a timely, accurate and prompt basis to the Compliance Coordinator or designee.
- U. Defendant shall practice only at the Urgent Care Plus clinic in Ponca City, Oklahoma. Defendant shall additionally submit quarterly reports from his employers regarding his progress to the Board Secretary for his review.
- V. Defendant will sign a lifetime contract with the Health Professionals Recovery Program.
- 2. During the period of probation, failure to meet any of the terms of probation will constitute cause for the Board to initiate additional proceedings to suspend or revoke Defendant's license, after due notice and hearing.
- 3. Defendant's suspended license shall not be reinstated unless Defendant has reimbursed the Board for all taxed costs and expenses incurred by the State of Oklahoma.
 - 4. A copy of this written order shall be sent to Defendant as soon as it is processed.

Dated this ______ day of July, 2009.

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

Certificate of Service

On the day of ______, 2009, a true and correct copy of this order was mailed, postage prepaid, to Mark Edward Rigney, 1922 Glennbrook Meadows, Garland, TX 75040.

Janet Swindle