# 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.

SHELBY JAMES COLEMAN, M.D., LICENSE NO. MD 26262,

Defendant.

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Case No. 13-10-4826

# VERIFIED COMPLAINT

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The State of Oklahoma, *ex rel.* Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision ("Board"), alleges and states as follows for its Complaint against Shelby James Coleman, M.D. ("Defendant"):

- 1. 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, surgeons and other allied health professionals in the State of Oklahoma pursuant to 59 Okla. Stat. § 480 *et seq.*
- 2. Defendant is an Oklahoma resident with the Oklahoma medical license number 26262, which has been inactive since May 2, 2014.
- 3. The acts and omissions complained of herein occurred within the physical territory of the State of Missouri and within the Federal Western District of Missouri Southern Division.

### I. ALLEGATIONS OF PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

- 4. Defendant was charged in the Western District of Missouri Southern Division on October 1, 2013 with the charge of Sexual Exploitation of Children in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2251(a). The Board opened an investigation file on Defendant in October 2013 and Defendant was notified through his attorney of the same at that time.
- 5. On January 12, 2016, Defendant pled <u>guilty</u> to the sole count of the indictment in front of United Stated Magistrate Judge Honorable James C. England. The plea of guilty was accepted by the Honorable Douglas Harpool, United States District Judge, on February 1, 2016.

- 6. The signed Plea Agreement put forth a factual basis for Defendant's guilty plea. In it, Defendant admitted to asking for and receiving various nude photographs of a male minor and traveling to Springfield, MO to meet the youth for a sexual liaison.
- 7. The Plea Agreement sets forth the minimum penalty available to Defendant which is fifteen (15) years in prison and a maximum of thirty (30) years and up to \$250,000 fine. It also limits, by agreement of the parties, Defendant's right to appeal the Plea Agreement to issues of ineffective assistance of counsel or prosecutorial misconduct and with respect to the sentence imposed to ineffective assistance of counsel, prosecutorial misconduct and illegality of the sentence imposed. It further goes on to clarify that the only illegal sentence issue not waived, is whether the sentence exceeds the statutory maximum.
- 8. As of the date of filing of this Complaint, Defendant has not been sentenced but has been **adjudged guilty**.
- 9. Defendant is also, as a result of pleading guilty to this crime, required to register as a sex offender under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA).

## **II. VIOLATIONS**

- 10. Based on the foregoing, the Defendant is guilty of professional misconduct as follows:
  - a. Conviction of a felony or of any offense involving moral turpitude in violation of 59 O.S. 2011, § 509(5);
  - b. Dishonorable or immoral conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or ham the public in violation of 59 O.S. 2011, § 509(8) and Okla. Admin. Code §§ 435:10-7-4(11);
  - c. The conviction of a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude whether or not related to the practice of medicine and surgery in violation Okla. Admin. Code § 435:10-7-4(10);
  - d. Commission of any act of sexual abuse, misconduct, or exploitation related or unrelated to the licensee's practice of medicine and surgery in violation of Okla. Admin. Code § 435:10-7-4(23);
  - e. Engaging in predatory sexual behavior in violation of Okla. Admin. Code § 435:10-7-4(45);
  - f. The Board shall revoke the license of a person licensed by the Board who has a final felony conviction pursuant to Okla. Admin. Code § 435:5-1-5(2)(b).

# **III. CONCLUSION**

Given the foregoing, the undersigned requests the Board conduct a hearing, and, upon proof of the allegations contained herein, impose such disciplinary action as authorized by law, up to and including revocation without the right to reapply pursuant to 59 O.S. 2011,  $\S$  509.1(A)(1) and any other appropriate action with respect to the Defendant's professional license, including an assessment of costs and attorney's fees incurred in this action as provided by law.

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#### VERIFICATION

I, Steve Washbourne, under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of Oklahoma, state as follows:

1. I have read the above Complaint regarding the Defendant, Shelby James Coleman, M.D.; and

The factual statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of my 2. knowledge and belief.

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Steve Washbourne, Investigator OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND SUPERVISION

Date: <u>Y-4-16</u> <u>OKIa homa County</u> Place of Execution