

**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,)
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Plaintiff,)
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v.)
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CYNTHIA CAROL ALMOND, M.D.,)
LICENSE NO. MD 27565,)
)
Defendant.)

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OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF
MEDICAL LICENSURE & SUPERVISION

Case No. 16-07-5327

VERIFIED COMPLAINT FOR PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

The State of Oklahoma, *ex rel.* the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision (“Board”), alleges and states as follows for its Complaint against Cynthia Carol Almond, M.D. (“Defendant”):

I. AUTHORITY

1. This 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 in the State of Oklahoma pursuant to 59 O.S. 2011, § 480, et seq.
2. This action is authorized by 59 O.S. Supp. 2014, § 503 and Okla. Admin. Code § 435:3-3-4 *et seq.*
3. Defendant holds Oklahoma license no. 27565, which was issued on March 1, 2010.
4. The acts and omissions complained of herein were made while Defendant was acting as a physician pursuant to the medical license conferred upon her by the State of Oklahoma. Such acts and omissions occurred within the physical territory of the State of Arkansas.

II. ALLEGATIONS OF PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

5. Defendant was charged in the Circuit Court of Sebastian County, Arkansas 12th Judicial District VI Division on July 6, 2016, with the charge of Conspiracy to Commit Manufacture of Methamphetamine, a felony (Case No. CR-2016-833A).
6. On July 19, 2016, Defendant signed an Agreement Not to Practice (ANTP) as a physician in the State of Oklahoma with the Secretary of the Oklahoma State Medical Board.

7. On November 23, 2016, Defendant pled Guilty to the Manufacturing of Methamphetamine, a felony, in front of the Circuit Court of Sebastian County, Arkansas 12th Judicial District VI Division Judge James O. Cox.
8. As a result of Defendant's Guilty plea, Defendant received a five (5) year suspended sentence and an \$8,056 fine.

III. VIOLATIONS

9. Based on the above, Defendant is guilty of professional misconduct conduct as follows:
 - a. Procuring, aiding or abetting a criminal operation, in violation of 59 O.S. 2011, § 509(1);
 - b. Being convicted of a felony, in violation of 59 O.S. 2011, § 509(5) and Okla. Admin. Code § 435:10-7-4(10);
 - c. Engaging in dishonorable or immoral conduct which is likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public, in violation of 59 O.S. 2011, § 509(8) and Okla. Admin. Code § 435:10-7-4(11);
 - d. Engaging in behavior that demonstrates an incapacity or incompetence to practice medicine and surgery, in violation of Okla. Admin. Code § 435:10-7-4(18);
 - e. Violating any state or federal law or regulation relating to controlled substances, in violation of Okla. Admin. Code § 435:10-7-4(27); and
 - f. Violating any laws in the state in which he/she is practicing or any federal, territorial or district laws that are in effect in the location in which he/she is using his/her Oklahoma license to practice, in violation of Okla. Admin. Code 435:10-7-4(46).

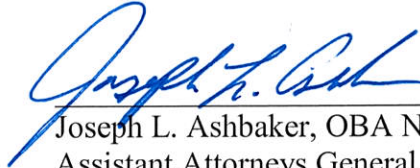
IV. REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE INTERIM SUSPENSION

10. This Board's Executive Director is statutorily required to issue an order suspending Defendant's license upon learning she has been convicted of a felony involving antinarcotics laws. 59 O.S. 2011, § 509(B). Given the serious nature of the felonious offense to which Defendant pleaded guilty, this Board's Executive Director should exercise his authority and suspend Defendant's license to practice medicine in Oklahoma until a hearing on the merits of the case.

V. 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 suspension or revocation 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.

Respectfully submitted,




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VERIFICATION

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

1. I have read the above Complaint regarding Defendant, Cynthia Carol Almond, M.D.; and
2. The factual statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.


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

Date: 6-21-17

Oklahoma County
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