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EX REL. THE OKLAHOMA BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE)	OKLAHOMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE & SUPERVISION
AND SUPERVISION,	į	MEDIONE Elocation
Plaintiff,)	
)	Case No. 02-11-2575
V.)	Case No. 02-11-23/3
EDWARD ESPARZA, M.D.,		
LICENSE NO. 7429)	
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Defendant.)	

AGREED ORDER OF SUSPENSION

This cause came on for hearing before the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision (the "Board") on December 6, 2002, at the office of the Board, 5104 N. Francis, Suite C, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, pursuant to notice given as required by law and the rules of the Board.

Elizabeth A. Scott, Assistant Attorney General, appeared for the plaintiff and defendant appeared through counsel, John Coyle.

The Board en banc after hearing arguments of counsel, reviewing the pleadings filed, and being fully advised in the premises, found that there is clear and convincing evidence to support the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Orders:

Findings of Fact

- 1. The Board 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 pursuant to 59 Okla. Stat. §480 et seq.
- 2. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter, and notice has been given in all respects in accordance with law and the rules of the Board.
 - 3. Defendant, Edward Esparza, M.D., holds Oklahoma license no. 7429.
 - 4. On November 27, 2002, a Complaint was filed against Defendant

alleging numerous violations of the Oklahoma Medical Practice Act.

- 5. On November 27, 2002, an Application to Determine Emergency was filed, wherein an emergency suspension hearing was set for December 6, 2002.
- 6. Defendant has agreed to an Agreed Order of Suspension pending a full hearing on the Complaint and Citation.

Conclusions of Law

1. The Board has jurisdiction and authority over the Defendant and subject matter herein pursuant to the Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act (the "Act") and its applicable regulations. The Board is authorized to enforce the Act as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

Order

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

- 1. The license of Defendant, Edward Esparza, M.D., Oklahoma license no. 7429, is hereby **SUSPENDED** beginning December 6, 2002 pending a full hearing before the Board *en banc* at the next regularly scheduled meeting, currently scheduled for January 16-18, 2003.
- 2. All of the charges in the Complaint and Citation will also be heard before the Board *en banc* at its next regularly scheduled meeting.
- 3. The Agreed Order of Suspension shall be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank and all other appropriate groups.
- 4. Defendant will surrender his Oklahoma wallet card and certificate of medical license to the Board on or before 4:30 p.m. on December 6, 2002.
- 5. Promptly upon receipt of an invoice, Defendant shall pay all costs of this action authorized by law, including without limitation, legal fees and investigation costs.
- 6. Defendant's suspended license shall not be reinstated unless Defendant has reimbursed the Board for all taxed costs.

Dated this day of December, 2002

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

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APPROVED:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the day of December, 2002, I mailed, via first class mail, postage prepaid, a true and correct copy of this Agreed Order of Suspension to John Coyle, III, 119 N. Robinson, Suite 320, Oklahoma City, OK 73102.

Janet Swindle