

**STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO  
FORMAL ACTION REPORT – NOVEMBER 2009**

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Listed below is a summary of the disciplinary actions taken or initiated by the State Medical Board of Ohio in November 2009 and an update of Board matters pending in courts as of the date of this document.

**PRE-HEARING SUSPENSION**

**BLANKENBURG, Mark Edward (MD #35-050381) – Hamilton, OH**

Pursuant to Section 4731.22(I), O.R.C., medical license automatically suspended based on doctor having been found guilty of six third-degree felony counts of Gross Sexual Imposition. Suspension effective 10/16/09. (See *also*: Citations & Proposed Denials *below*)

**CITATIONS & PROPOSED DENIALS**

**BLANKENBURG, Mark Edward (MD #35-050381) – Hamilton, OH**

Based on doctor having been found guilty in the Butler County, Ohio, Court of Common Pleas of three third-degree felony counts of Compelling Prostitution, six third-degree felony counts of Gross Sexual Imposition, three third-degree or fourth-degree felony counts of Corruption of a Minor, and three second-degree felony counts of Pandering Sexually Oriented Matter Involving a Minor. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 11/12/09 (See *also*: Pre-hearing Suspension *above*)

**LEVATTER, Ross E. (MD #35-091845) – Phoenix, AZ**

Based on doctor having been found guilty in Superior Court in Maricopa County Arizona of a class four felony count of Attempted Money Laundering. Notice of opportunity for hearing mailed 11/12/09.

**FINAL DISCIPLINARY ORDERS**

**BLAZEY, Kristine Marie (LMT #33-016546) – Sylvania, OH**

Massage therapy license permanently revoked. Based on Board's determination that massage therapist violated the conditions of limitation imposed on massage therapist's license by 8/8/07 Board Order by failing to submit required documentation and appear for required personal appearances. Order effective 11/12/09. (Review and Journal Entry – no hearing requested)

**McNEAL, Jason Rick (LMT #33-018220) – Riverside, OH**

Massage therapy license granted. Based on Board's determination that applicant's life changes subsequent to criminal convictions demonstrate worthiness for licensure and applicant's cooperation in the Board's investigation establishes that applicant's failure to fully disclose all

criminal convictions on licensure application does not preclude licensure. Order effective 11/13/09.

**NAPOLI, William Michael (DO #34-005791) – New Philadelphia, OH**

Medical license permanently revoked. Based on doctor having been found guilty of one felony count of Acquiring a Controlled Substance by Forgery, the underlying conduct being doctor's having forged the name of another doctor to obtain and refill prescriptions for hydrocodone, a Schedule III controlled substance; and Board's determination that in care rendered to 20 specified patients doctor failed to maintain minimal standards applicable to the selection or administration of drugs or failed to employ acceptable scientific methods in selection of drugs; engaged in activities constituting the selling, giving away, personally furnishing, prescribing, or administering drugs for other than legal legitimate therapeutic purposes; and departed from the minimal standards of care. Order effective 11/13/09.

**SYPE, Joshua Nathan (LMT #33-015060) – Toledo, OH**

Massage therapy license revoked. Based on Board's determination that massage therapist is impaired in ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to alcohol and marijuana dependence and made a false, fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading statement on licensure renewal application by failing to disclose a conviction for Drug Paraphernalia. Order effective 11/12/09. (Review and Journal Entry – no hearing requested.)

**VJECHA, Michael Joseph (MD #35-049553) – Washington, DC**

Medical license revoked. Based on Board's determination that doctor is impaired in ability to practice according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care due to habitual or excessive use or abuse of drugs and doctor violated the conditions of limitations imposed by the 7/9/08 Consent Agreement, the underlying conduct being doctor's submission of a urine screen that tested positive for cocaine metabolites. Order effective 11/12/09. (Review and Journal Entry – no hearing requested.)

**YOUNG, James Robert (MD #35-061930) – Nacogdoches, TX**

Doctor reprimanded. Based on prior action of the Texas board in reprimanding doctor, the underlying basis being doctor's behavior toward other physicians and hospital staff, including striking a fellow physician while caring for a patient in the intensive care unit. Order effective 11/12/09. (Journal Entry – no hearing requested.)

**CONSENT AGREEMENTS**

**BALDWIN, Mark Denison (DO #34-005880) – Columbus, OH**

Medical license reinstated subject to probationary terms, conditions, and limitations imposed to monitor practice based on doctor having been deemed capable of practicing according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care so long as certain treatment and monitoring conditions are in place. Agreement effective 11/12/09; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

**EVENHOUSE, Matthew Henry (MD #35-082452) – Bay Village, OH**

Medical license reinstated subject to probationary terms, conditions, and limitations imposed to monitor practice based on doctor having been deemed capable of practicing according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care so long as certain treatment and monitoring conditions are in place. Agreement effective 11/12/09; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

**FREEMAN, Joseph Richard (DO #34-005520) – Pomeroy, OH**

Medical license reinstated subject to probationary terms, conditions, and limitations imposed to monitor practice based on doctor having been deemed capable of practicing according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care so long as certain treatment and monitoring conditions are in place. Agreement effective 11/12/09; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

**KELLEMS, Matthew David (MD #35-091034) – Cleveland, OH**

Medical license suspended for at least 270 days; interim monitoring conditions and conditions for reinstatement established, including requirement that doctor enter into subsequent consent agreement incorporating probationary terms, conditions, and limitations to monitor practice. Based on doctor's admitted dependence on opiates and relapse on Propofol, which doctor admits were obtained for self-use from hospital wastes. Agreement effective 11/12/09.

**OKOH, James Ikemefuna (MD #35-086462) – Eden Prairie, MN**

Doctor reprimanded; probationary terms, conditions, and limitations established. Based on doctor's admission that the Florida board issued a Final Order and adopted a Settlement Agreement by which doctor was to receive a Letter of Concern, the underlying conduct being doctor's wrong side insertion of a chest tube. Agreement effective 11/12/09; agreement to remain in effect for at least three years prior to any request for termination.

**WEIL, Richard Mark (MD #35-057757) – N. Canton, OH**

Medical license reinstated subject to probationary terms, conditions, and limitations imposed to monitor practice based on doctor having been deemed capable of practicing according to acceptable and prevailing standards of care so long as certain treatment and monitoring conditions are in place. Agreement effective 11/12/09; agreement to remain in effect for at least five years prior to any request for termination.

**WHITLOCK, Randall Gregory, Jr. (PA #50-001262; Prov. Certificate to Prescribe #54-000851) – Cincinnati, OH**

Provisional Certificate to Prescribe granted provided physician assistant meets all statutory and regulatory requirements; 8/13/08 Consent Agreement amended to add, for at least one year, additional probationary terms, conditions, and limitations relevant to the authority to prescribe drugs, including drug associated restrictions and verification of prescribing. Addendum effective 11/12/09; addendum and 8/13/08 Consent Agreement to remain in effect for at least five years from 8/13/08 or at least two years from the date the provisional certificate to prescribe is granted, whichever is later, prior to any request for termination.

**VOLUNTARY SURRENDER**

**GILLIAM, Dorsey Lee (MD #35-025862) – Marion, OH**

Board Order permanently revoking doctor's medical license as authorized by doctor in lieu of formal disciplinary proceedings based on doctor's alleged violations of minimal standards of care applicable to rendering medical care and minimal standards of care applicable to the selection or administration of drugs. Effective 11/12/09.

**LICENSES REINSTATED**

**DAVIS, Ericka Lynn (PA #50-003005) – Kettering, OH**

Physician assistant's request for reinstatement approved by 11/12/09 Board vote, subject to probationary terms, conditions and limitations outlined in 10/14/09 Board Order.

**PROBATION COMPLETED**

**LANGSCHWAGER, Larson Frederick (MD #35-093132) – Marshall, MI**

Doctor released from probation upon documentation of completion of terms and conditions as required by 3/11/09 Board Order. Release from probation effective 11/20/09.

**ROBERTSON, William Denny (MD #35-031038) – Medina, OH**

Doctor's request for release from the terms of the 11/12/04 Consent Agreement granted by 11/12/09 Board vote. Release from probation effective 11/12/09.

**PROBATION – MONITORING TERMS MODIFIED**

**BLANCHARD, Paul Lewis (MD #35-079460) – Trenton, OH**

Doctor's request to increase work hours to 40 per week granted and monitoring physician approved and frequency and number of charts for review established by 11/12/09 Board vote.

**DENNISON, Patrick Robert (DO #34-003779) – Hilliard, OH**

Doctor's request to reduce personal appearances to every six months granted by 11/12/09 Board vote.

**KOLAKALUR, Sripriya Doss (MD #35-088235) – Akron, OH**

Doctor's requests to eliminate required chart review and waive required personal appearances until the final appearance granted by 11/12/09 Board vote.

**RATH, David A. (MD #35-057898) – Sunbury, OH**

Doctor's request to eliminate required practice plan granted by 11/12/09 Board vote.

**COURT ACTION UPDATE**

**JAIN, Anamika (MD #35-076296) – Chadds Ford, PA**

By Entry filed on 11/20/09, the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas affirmed Board's 7/8/09 Order revoking doctor's medical license.

**LEAK, William David (MD #35-044978) – Columbus, OH**

By Decision and Entry filed 11/23/09, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas granted motion to extend stay of Board's 8/13/08 Order permanently revoking doctor's medical license.

Non-Disciplinary Administrative Actions

**Approval of Application**

**ALI, Sharon Anisa (MD #35-094611) – Clarence Center, NY**

Application for medical license granted, provided applicant takes and passes the SPEX or specialty board certification examination within six months of 9/16/09. Based on Board's finding that applicant had not been engaged in the active practice of medicine for more than two years. Order effective 11/12/09. (Journal Entry – no hearing requested) **(Non-disciplinary)**

**BICA, Michael John (LMT #33-007976) – Negley, OH**

Application for restoration of certificate to practice massage therapy granted, provided applicant takes and passes the limited branch portion of the massage therapy exam within six months of 9/16/09. Based on Board's finding that applicant had not been engaged in the active practice of massage therapy for more than two years. Order effective 11/12/09. (Journal Entry – no hearing requested) **(Non-disciplinary)**

**BRAEUTIGAM, Ulla Carina (MD applicant) – Blue Ash, OH**

Application for medical license granted, provided applicant takes and passes the SPEX or specialty board certification examination within six months of 9/16/09. Based on Board's finding that applicant had not been engaged in the active practice of medicine for more than two years. Order effective 11/12/09. (Journal Entry – no hearing requested) **(Non-disciplinary)**

**STASIAK, Joseph Andrew (LMT #33-010289) – Boardman, OH**

Application for restoration of certificate to practice massage therapy granted, provided applicant takes and passes the limited branch portion of the massage therapy exam within six months of 9/16/09. Based on Board's finding that applicant had not been engaged in the active practice of massage therapy for more than two years. Order effective 11/12/09. (Journal Entry – no hearing requested) **(Non-disciplinary)**

**LHATOO, Samden Dorjee (MD #35-094532) – Bristol, U.K.**

Application for medical licensure granted, provided that applicant otherwise meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. Based on Board's determination that doctor established good

cause for not having completed the examination sequence within time limits and doctor's medical education and training are equivalent to the required graduate medical education. Order effective 11/13/09. **(Non-disciplinary)**

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**Please note that revocation and suspension Orders are not always effective immediately. If you have questions about effective dates or conditions governing a licensee's practice before a Board Order takes effect, please contact the office.**

**Ohio law permits appeal of a Board Order to the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas. Due to this possibility and the potential for a stay that might delay the imposition of a Board action, you may wish to contact us periodically to verify a given practitioner's licensure status.**

**Most current citation letters, Board Orders, consent agreements and voluntary surrenders or retirements are available on the Medical Board's website at <http://med.ohio.gov/> under "*Licensee Profile and Status.*" If you have questions or need additional details about specific cases, please contact Annette Jones at (614) 728-3686.**