## COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, State Board of Medicine

Docket No: 0025-MISC-92

File No: 89-49-00534

v.

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Stephen P. Regec, M.D., Respondent:

ORDER

AND NOW, this day of Limited, 1994, upon consideration of Respondent's request for the reinstatement of his license to unrestricted status, the State Board of Medicine hereby finds as follows:

- 1. On January 28, 1992, the Board issued an order suspending Respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery for four months beginning January 1, 1992 and concluding April 30, 1992, followed by a twenty-month probationary period;
- 2. The order was the result of Respondent's guilty pleas in November of 1991 to misdemeanor violations of the Pennsylvania Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act:
- 3. By further terms of the Board's order, Respondent was provided the opportunity to seek the lifting of probationary status subsequent to the expiration of the twenty-month probationary period;

- 4. On February 1, 1994 Respondent successfully completed the probationary period, as well as having satisfied the terms of his criminal probation;
- 5. The prosecuting attorney for the Commonwealth has no objection to the reinstatement of Respondent's license;

THEREFORE, Respondent's license No. MD-020553-E to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby reinstated to unrestricted status.

BY ORDER:

STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE
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Joshua A. Perper, M.D., Chairman

Respondent's Address: DRMC-East Unit DuBois, PA 15801

Commonwealth's Prosecuting Attorney: Karen L. Stevens, Esquire

617 Transportation & Safety

Building

Harrisburg, PA 17120

Board Counsel: April L. McClaine, Esquire

Date of Mailing: February 25,1994

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### CONSENT AGREEMENT

IT IS HEREBY AGREED by the Prosecuting Attorney and Stephen P. Regec, M.D. to the following:

- 1. The State Board of Medicine is a departmental administrative body of the Department of State, organized under the provisions of the Medical Practice Act of 1985, the Act of December 20, 1985, P.L. 457, as amended, ("Act"), 63 P.S. §422.1-422.45.
- 2. The Board issued License No. MD-020553-E to Stephen P. Regec, M.D. (hereinafter "Respondent") entitling him to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on April 7, 1978.
- 3. The Respondent's current and registered address on file with the Board is DuBois Regional Medical Center, East Unit, DuBois, PA 15801.
- 4. The Respondent's date of birth is October 31, 1947, and he graduated from State University of New York, Down State Medical Center/Brooklyn in June 1974.
  - 5. The Respondent herein knowingly and voluntarily waives the

filing of an Order to Show Cause, which would set forth the charges and allegations against the Respondent, as well as a notice of his rights to a hearing whereat the Respondent could appear to show cause why his license to practice medicine and surgery without restriction in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania should not be revoked or suspended, or a civil penalty of up to \$1,000.00 per violation should not be imposed.

- 6. The Respondent has been fully advised of, and hereby knowingly and voluntarily waives, his right to a formal administrative hearing, to be represented by counsel thereat, to present witnesses and testimony in his defense and in mitigation of any sanction that may be imposed for a violation, to crossexamine witnesses and to challenge evidence presented by the Commonwealth against him, to present legal arguments by means of a Brief, and to take an appeal from any final decision adverse to his interest in his license to practice medicine and surgery without restriction in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 7. The Respondent agrees to resolve the allegations that would be raised by the Commonwealth in an Order to Show Cause through this Consent Agreement.
  - 8. The Respondent admits that the following facts are true:
  - a. On November 19, 1991, Respondent pleaded guilty to three misdemeanor violations of the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, on violation of Distribution by a Practitioner to a Drug Dependent Person, 35 P.S. §780-113(a)(13), and two violations of Refusal or Failure to Keep or Furnish Records as required

by Statute, 35 P.S. 780-113(a)(21), 35 P.S. §780-113(b).

- b. On November 19, 1991, Respondent was sentenced on his guilty pleas to a total of \$10,000.00 in fines plus the costs of prosecution, that he be incarcerated for a minimum of twelve months to a maximum of 24 months which sentence was suspended and the Respondent placed on probation for twenty-four months under the supervision of the Clearfield County Probation Department, the terms of which include, inter alia, that Respondent agree with the Medical Board to at least a four-month active suspension of his medical license to commence no later January 1, 1992, and any other appropriate discipline by that Board, to a fifteen-year suspension of his DEA Schedule II and IIN privileges, to report prescription of all Schedule III drugs for five years, to 500 hours of community service, and to have no further professional or social contact with the addict in question.
- 9. Based upon the facts admitted herein, Respondent admits that his license to practice medicine and surgery without restriction within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Section 41(3) of the Act, 63 P.S. §422.41(3), being convicted of a misdemeanor relating to a health profession, and consents to the issuance by the Board of an Order actively suspending his license to practice for four (4) months, commencing January 1, 1992 and ending April 30, 1992, imposing a civil penalty of \$3,000.00 payable via certified check or money

order to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania" submitted at the time of signing this Consent Agreement, and placing him on probation under the supervision of the Law Enforcement Division of the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs for no less than twenty months pursuant to the following terms and conditions:

- a. Respondent's probation shall commence May 1, 1992;
- b. Respondent shall abide by the terms of and successfully complete his criminal probation;
- c. Respondent shall abide by and obey all laws of the United States, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and its political subdivisions, and all Rules and Regulations and laws pertaining to the practice of medicine or the distribution of drugs in this Commonwealth;
- d. Respondent at all times during the period of his probation, shall cooperate with the Board, or any of its agents or employees, in the supervision and investigation of his compliance with the terms and conditions of his probation;
- e. If Respondent should leave the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any period exceeding twenty (20) days, the length of the probationary term of this Consent Agreement shall be tolled until his return to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, unless, however, Respondent seeks and receives prior permission from the Board to continue monitoring him subject to the same conditions as enumerated above;

- f. Respondent shall notify the Law Enforcement Division of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs, P. O. Box 2649, Harrisburg, PA 17105, in writing, of any change of address within seventy-two (72) hours of establishing the new address;
- g. Notification of a violation of the Order shall result in the immediate suspension of Respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery as follows:
  - 1) The Board's Prosecuting Attorney shall present to the Board a Petition and Affidavit with a copy to Respondent postmarked at least five (5) days prior to the Board's action, which indicates that Respondent has violated any provision of the original Order, before which Respondent will be personally contacted to explain and justify the conduct, if he can;
  - 2) The Board, upon a determination that Respondent has violated the terms of the original Order, the Board shall at its next scheduled Board meeting without holding a formal hearing issue a preliminary order dissolving its previous order staying the suspension, terminate the probation, and activate the suspension;
  - 3) The Respondent shall be notified of the Board's preliminary order within three (3) days of its issuance by certified mail and

first class mail, postage prepaid, sent to the last registered address on file with the Board:

- 4) That within thirty (30) days of the receipt of notification of the Board's action, the Respondent may request that a formal hearing be convened concerning Respondent's violation of the original Order and to seek relief from the issuance of the preliminary order. This hearing will be scheduled within forty-five (45) days of the Board's receipt of said request. The suspension will remain in effect until the hearing is convened and the Board or Hearing Examiner enters an Adjudication and Order based on the hearing;
- 5) That the facts and averments in this Consent Agreement will be deemed admitted and uncontested at this hearing;
- 6) That if the Board makes a determination adverse to Respondent at this hearing, the Board will issue a final order;
- 7) That if a request for a formal hearing is not received from the Respondent within the prescribed thirty (30) day period, the Board's preliminary order will become final within thirty (30) days of its mailing.
- h. The Respondent may petition to have the

probationary status of his license lifted after the expiration of twenty (20) months of probation.

- 10. The parties understand that this Consent Agreement is between the Prosecuting Attorney and the Respondent only, and is to have no legal effect unless and until the contents have been approved by the Office of General Counsel as to form and legality and the Board issues an Order implementing this Consent Agreement.
- 11. The Respondent verifies that the facts and statements set forth in the foregoing are true and correct to the best of the Respondent's knowledge, information and belief. The Respondent understands that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. §4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Karen L. Stevens
Prosecuting Attorney
Bureau of Professional and
Occupational Affairs

DATED: Jan. 7, 1992

Stephen P. Regec, M.D., Respondent

DATED: /2/24/9.

Romaid 4. Collins, Esquire Attorney for Respondent

DATED: /7

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day of fullillity, 1992, the State AND NOW, this 28thBoard of Medicine, in consideration of the foregoing Consent Agreement entered into between the Prosecuting Attorney and the Respondent, Stephen P. Regec, M.D., the Board concludes that Respondent has violated the Medical Practice Act of 1985, the Act of December 20, 1985, P.L. 457, No. 112, 63 P.S. §422.41(3), as amended, having been convicted of misdemeanors relating to a health profession, in that he pleaded guilty to one misdemeanor violation of the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, Distribution by a Practitioner to a Drug Dependent Person, 35 P.S. §780-113(a)(13), and two misdemeanor violations of Refusal or Failure to Keep or Furnish Records as Required by Statute, 35 P.S. §780-113(a)(21), and was therefore sentenced to pay a \$10,000.00 fine, surrender his Schedule II and IIN DEA prescribing privileges, 500 hours community service, do at least a four-month active suspension of his medical license commencing January 1, 1992, and two years criminal probation.

It is therefore ORDERED that the license to practice medicine and surgery in this Commonwealth, License No. MD-020553-E, issued to Stephen P. Regec, M.D. be and it hereby is SUSPENDED (nunc protunc, as appropriate) for four (4) months beginning January 1, 1992 and ending April 30, 1992.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Respondent pay a civil penalty in the amount of three thousand (\$3,000.00) dollars.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that effective May 1, 1992 Respondent's license be and hereby is placed on probationary status for no less than twenty months pursuant to the following terms and conditions:

- a. Respondent's probation shall commence immediately following his completion of the active four-month suspension of his license, i.e., May 1, 1992.
- b. Respondent shall abide by the terms of and successfully complete his criminal probation;
- c. Respondent shall abide by and obey all laws of the United States, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and its political subdivisions, and all Rules and Regulations and laws pertaining to the practice of medicine or the distribution of drugs in this Commonwealth;
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Commissioner

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