

State of Rhode Island
Department of Health
Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline



IN THE MATTER OF:
William Thompson, MD
License No.: MD 13812
Case No.: C15571

CONSENT ORDER

William Thompson, MD ("Respondent") is licensed as a physician in Rhode Island. The Rhode Island Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline ("Board") has reviewed and investigated the above-referenced complaint pertaining to Respondent through its Investigative Committee. The Board makes the following

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent has been a licensed physician in the State of Rhode Island since December 16, 2011. Respondent graduated from the University of Colorado School of Medicine in 1998.
2. The Board opened the above-referenced complaint against Respondent after learning that Respondent had turned himself in to the East Greenwich Police on June 8, 2015.
3. Respondent's arrest was based on the complaint of a family member of Respondent alleging that Respondent had recorded a video of a minor female taking a shower. That complaint was investigated by the East Greenwich Police and resulted in Respondent being charged with video voyeurism, a felony.
4. On July 14, 2015, Respondent entered into a Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice

Medicine pending the outcome of the criminal matter.

5. In July 2016, Respondent pleaded guilty to two counts of video voyeurism and, on July 22, 2016, was sentenced to 3 years in prison, with 18 months to serve, followed by 18 months of probation on one count, and, on the second count, 2 years in prison, during the entirety of which he was to be placed on probation.

6. Since, Respondent has served his sentence, having completed his probation after release from prison.

7. Based on the foregoing, the Investigative Committee concluded that Respondent had been convicted of a felony and, therefore, violated the above-referenced statute.

8. Based on the foregoing, the Investigative Committee concluded that Respondent had been convicted of a felony and, therefore, violated R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-37-5.1(3), which defines “unprofessional conduct” as including “*conviction of a felony.*”

Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent admits to and agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.
2. Respondent has agreed to this Consent Order and understands that it is subject to final approval of the Board and is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.
3. If ratified by the Board, Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
 - a. The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Board;
 - b. The right to produce witnesses and evidence on his behalf at a hearing;
 - c. The right to cross examine witnesses;
 - d. The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;
 - e. The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
 - f. Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order;

g. Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Board for consideration and review; and

h. Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank and Federation of State Medical Boards and posted to the Rhode Island Department of Health (“RIDOH”) public website.

4. Respondent agrees to pay, within 5 days of the ratification of this Consent Order, an administrative fee of \$1100.00 for costs associated with investigating the above-referenced complaint. Such payment shall be made by certified check, made payable to “**Rhode Island General Treasurer**,” and sent to Rhode Island Department of Health, 3 Capitol Hill, Room 205, Providence, RI 02908, Attn: Jessica DeSanto. Respondent will send notice of compliance with this condition to DOH.PRCompliance@health.ri.gov within 30 days of submitting the above-referenced payment.

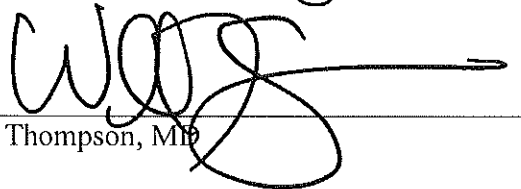
5. Respondent hereby agrees to surrender his license.

6. Respondent will not approach the Board for reinstatement until he has shown substantial evidence of remediation, which must include, at minimum, an evaluation of character by Acumen, an evaluation of clinical competency by the Center for Personalized Education for Physicians (“CPEP”), an an evaluation by the Rhode Island Medical Society Physicians Health Program. Respondent shall cause the results of the above-referenced evaluations to be sent directly to the Board by the evaluating body.

7. If Respondent violates any term of this Consent Order after it is signed and accepted, the Director of RIDOH (“Director”) shall have the discretion to impose further disciplinary action, including immediate suspension of Respondent’s medical license in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-37-8. If the Director imposes further disciplinary action, Respondent shall be given

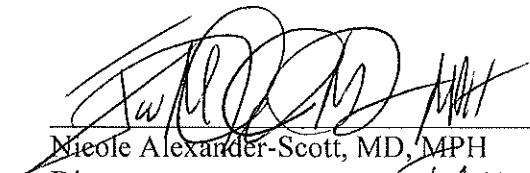
notice and shall have the right to request an administrative hearing within 20 days of the suspension and/or further discipline. The Director shall also have the discretion to request an administrative hearing after notice to Respondent of a violation of any term of this Consent Order. The Administrative Hearing Officer may impose further discipline if the alleged violation is proven by a preponderance of evidence.

Signed this 5th day of August, 2021.




William Thompson, MD

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the 11th day of August, 2021.



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