

1 **BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**
2 **OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**

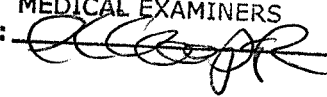
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6 **In the Matter of the Investigation of**)
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8 **RONALD FOOTE, M.D.,**)
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10 **License No. 9240.**)
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Case No. 14-12899-1

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**NEVADA STATE BOARD OF
MEDICAL EXAMINERS**
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12 **STIPULATION FOR INDEFINITE SUMMARY SUSPENSION**

13 The Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) by and through its Investigative
14 Committee (IC) comprised of Theodore B. Berndt, M.D., Chair, Valerie J. Clark, BSN, RHU,
15 LUTCF, Member, and Michael J. Fischer, M.D., Member, has been investigating numerous and
16 varied complaints against Ronald Foote, M.D. (Dr. Foote). The Board believes that the current
17 allegations against Dr. Foote are likely violations of the March 4, 2011 settlement agreement
18 between the Board and Dr. Foote and the probation contained therein. By entering into this
19 stipulation, Dr. Foote makes no admissions at this time regarding the current allegations.

20 As a result of the current investigations of the Board, and in response to the complaints
21 received by the Board, Dr. Foote has informed the Board of his intent to enter into an addiction
22 recovery program (program). Dr. Foote informs the Board that the program will be for an indefinite
23 term of inpatient treatment until such time as he is released by the authority of his treating physicians
24 and/or counselors at the program.

25 Thus, in order to protect the public and to allow Dr. Foote to attend to his personal recovery,
26 the parties hereby stipulate to an indefinite suspension of Dr. Foote's license to practice medicine in
27 the state of Nevada pursuant to NRS 630.326(1). By agreement of the parties, Dr. Foote's license to
28 practice medicine is hereby suspended indefinitely until further order of the Board, order of the

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1 Investigative Committee or written agreement of the parties. Dr. Foote also hereby agrees to execute
2 a HIPAA compliant release in favor of the Board for all of his related inpatient treatment records.

3 L. Kristopher Rath, Esq. (Mr. Rath) represents Dr. Foote in the current Board proceedings
4 and confirms that Dr. Foote will be attending a program out of state as stated above and will be
5 unavailable to participate in any hearing or to assist his counsel in any matter pending before the
6 Board for an indefinite period of time. Significantly, before entering into the treatment program,
7 Mr. Rath confirms that Dr. Foote will be made aware that he was entitled to certain legal and
8 procedural protections before the Board pursuant to NRS 630.326(2).

9 Accordingly, Dr. Foote has authorized Mr. Rath to act on his behalf in this matter pending
10 before the Board including, but not limited to, the exercise of procedural protections. After
11 discussing the underlying factual and legal issues in this case, both parties agree that the public is
12 adequately protected at present by this stipulation, and that it is in the best interests of Dr. Foote and
13 the Board to indefinitely extend the period of the suspension of his license to practice medicine until
14 such time as Dr. Foote can fully participate in the decision making regarding this matter.

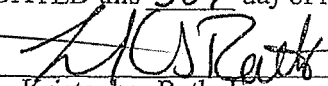
15 Therefore, Dr. Foote, individually, and by and through undersigned counsel, hereby waives
16 the right to a hearing within 45 days pursuant to NRS 630.326(2) and agrees to an indefinite
17 suspension of his license to practice medicine in Nevada until further order of the Board, order of the
18 Investigative Committee or written agreement of the parties.

19 DATED this 30th day of May, 2014.

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20 By: 

Bradley O. Van Ry, Esq.
Attorney for the Investigative Committee

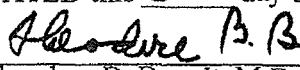

L. Kristopher Rath, Esq.
Attorney for Respondent
Ronald Foote, M.D.

21 UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED:

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Ronald Foote, M.D., Respondent

23 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

24 DATED this 30th day of May, 2014.

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Theodore B. Berndt, M.D.
Chair