OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In The Matter of Charges and		
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Complaint Against)	
ERIC S. BRECHER, M.D.,)	Case No. 10-28324-1
ERIC S. DRECHER, M.D.,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	FILED
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		NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS By:
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The Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners, composed at the time filing of Charles N. Held, M.D., Chairman, Theodore B. Berndt, M.D., Member, and Valerie J. Clark, Member, by and through Bradley O. Van Ry, Deputy General Counsel, having a reasonable basis to believe that Eric S. Brecher, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Respondent", has violated the provisions of NRS Chapter 630, hereby issues its formal Complaint, stating the Investigative Committee's charges and allegations, as follows:

- 1. Respondent is currently licensed in active status (License No. SP024), and has been so licensed since February 18, 2004 by the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 630 of the Nevada Revised Statutes.
- 2. Respondent is currently licensed to practice medicine, and was so licensed at the time of the incident complained of in this matter, in the state of Colorado.
- 3. On January 21, 2010, the Colorado Board of Medical Examiners, Inquiry Panel B, issued a public letter of admonition against Respondent. <u>See</u> Exhibit 1.

Count I

4. All of the above allegations in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

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- 5. Nevada Revised Statute Section 630.301(3) provides that any disciplinary action, including, without limitation, the revocation, suspension, modification or limitation of a license to practice any type of medicine, taken by another state is grounds for initiating discipline against a licensee.
- 6. The disciplinary action, issuance of a public letter of admonition by the Colorado Board of Medical Examiners, related to Respondent's license to practice medicine in the state of Colorado and therefore constitutes a violation of the provisions of NRS §630.301(3).
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners as provided in Section 630.352 of the Nevada Revised Statutes.

WHEREFORE, the Investigative Committee prays:

- 1. That the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners give Respondent notice of the charges herein against him and give him notice that he may file an answer to the Complaint herein as set forth in Section 630.339 of the Nevada Revised Statutes within twenty (20) days of service of the Complaint.
- 2.. That the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners set a time and place for a formal hearing after holding an Early Case Conference pursuant to NRS §630.339(3);
- 3. That the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners determine what sanctions it determines to impose if it determines there has been a violation or violations of the Medical Practice Act (Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 630) committed by Respondent; and
- 4. That the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners make, issue and serve on Respondent its findings of facts, conclusions of law and order, in writing, that includes the sanctions imposed; and
- 5. That the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners take such other and further action as may be just and proper in these premises.

DATED this _____day of September, 2010.

THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Bv:

Bradley O. Van Ry, Esq.

Deputy General Counsel and Attorney for the Investigative Committee

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners 1105 Terminal Way #301 Reno, Nevada 89502

VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEVADA)
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS	: ss.

Charles N. Held, M.D., hereby deposes and states under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Nevada that he is the Chairman of the Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners that authorized the foregoing Complaint against the Respondent herein; that he has read the foregoing Complaint; and that based upon information discovered during the course of the investigation into a complaint against Respondent, that he believes the allegations and charges in the foregoing Complaint against Respondent are true, accurate, and correct.

Dated this 7^{++} day of September, 2010.

Charles N. Held, M.D.



Bill Ritter, Jr. Governor D. Rico Munn

Executive

Director

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

January 21, 2010 Case No. 2009-002436-B

Eric S. Brecher, M.D.

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Dear Dr. Brecher:

Inquiry Panel B of the Colorado Board of Medical Examiners has concluded its inquiry regarding your role in the care and treatment of L.H. It was the Panel's decision not to commence with formal proceedings against your license to practice medicine. However, the Panel did vote to administer disciplinary action to you in the form of this letter of admonition.

After careful review of all the information gathered in this case, the Panel found that the treatment rendered to this patient was below the standard of care. Specifically, given the explicit history of posterior right sided chest pain just below the scapula, your examination should have detected the mass.

By this letter, the Panel hereby admonishes you and cautions you that complaints disclosing any repetition of such practice may lead to the commencement of formal disciplinary proceedings against your license to practice medicine, wherein this letter of admonition may be entered into evidence as aggravation.

You are advised that it is your right to have this case reviewed in an administrative proceeding. To do so, you must submit a written request within twenty (20) days after receipt of this letter. In your request, you must clearly ask that formal disciplinary proceedings be initiated against you to adjudicate the propriety of the conduct upon which this letter of admonition is based. If such request is timely made, this letter of admonition will be deemed vacated, and the matter will be processed by means of a formal complaint and hearing. This is in accordance with the provisions of the Medical Practice Act governing the discipline of licensed physicians.

Sincerely,

FOR THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

INOUIRY PANEL B

Mark C. Watts, M.D.

Chair

MCW/mss

Cc. Michael W. Jones, Esq.



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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I am employed by Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners and that on 7th day of September 2010; I served a file copy of the COMPLAINT and SETTLEMENT WAIVER AND CONSENT AGREEMENT along with Fingerprint Information by mailing via USPS certified return receipt to the following:

Eric S. Brecher, M.D. c/o Amy Welsh 241 West Market Street Marietta, PA 17547

Dated this 7th day of September 2010.

Angelia L. Donohoe Legal Assistant