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

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6 **In the Matter of Charges and**)
7 **Complaint Against**)
8 **ARA KESHISHIAN, M.D.,**)
9 **Respondent.**)

Case No. 15-20508-1

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**NEVADA STATE BOARD OF
MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

By: _____

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11 **COMPLAINT**

12 The Investigative Committee (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners
13 (Board), composed at the time of filing of Theodore B. Berndt, M.D., Valerie J. Clark, BSN,
14 RHU, LUTCF, and Michael J. Fischer, M.D., by and through Erin L. Albright, Esq., General
15 Counsel and attorney for the IC, having a reasonable basis to believe that Ara Keshishian, M.D.
16 (Respondent), violated the provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 630 and Nevada
17 Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 630 (collectively, the Medical Practice Act), hereby issues
18 its Complaint, stating the IC's charges and allegations as follows:

19 1. Respondent is currently licensed in active status (License No. 9900), and has been
20 so licensed by the Board since July 20, 2001, pursuant to the provisions of the Medical Practice
21 Act.

22 2. At the times alleged herein, Respondent was also licensed to practice medicine in
23 the state of California.

24 3. On or about July 11, 2014, Respondent and the Medical Board of California
25 entered into a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order (Settlement) whereby Respondent's
26 medical license was revoked for a period of three (3) years, with said revocation stayed pending
27 the following terms and conditions: Respondent shall complete not less than forty (40) hours per
28 year, for each year of probation, a Board preapproved Category I certified education

1 program/course aimed at correcting any areas of deficient practice or knowledge; Respondent
2 shall participate in and successfully complete the equivalent of the Medical Record Keeping
3 Course offered by the Physician Assessment and Clinical Education Program (PACE), University
4 of California, San Diego School of Medicine; Respondent shall enroll in a professionalism
5 program that meets the requirements of Title 16, California Code of Regulations Section 1358;
6 Respondent shall enroll in and successfully complete a clinical training or educational program
7 equivalent to PACE; Respondent is prohibited from supervising physician assistants; Respondent
8 shall obey all federal, state and local laws, all rules governing the practice of medicine in
9 California, and shall remain in full compliance with any ordered criminal probation, payments and
10 other orders; and Respondent shall submit quarterly declarations under penalty of perjury.

11 4. If Respondent fails to fully comply with any term or condition of probation, the
12 Medical Board of California may rescind probation and revoke Respondent's California medical
13 license.

14 5. On or about July 11, 2014, the Settlement was adopted as the Decision and Order
15 of the Medical Board of California.

16 6. To date, Respondent has not violated any terms or conditions of the Settlement.

17 7. Nevada Revised Statute Section 630.301(3) provides that any disciplinary action,
18 including, without limitation, the revocation, suspension, modification or limitation of a license to
19 practice any type of medicine, taken by another state is grounds for initiating discipline against a
20 licensee.

21 8. The Settlement constitutes disciplinary action taken by another state that is grounds
22 for initiating discipline against a licensee.

23 9. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as
24 provided in NRS 630.352.

25 **WHEREFORE**, the Investigative Committee prays:

26 1. That the Board give Respondent notice of the charges herein against him and give
27 him notice that he may file an answer to the Complaint herein as set forth in NRS 630.339(2)
28 within twenty (20) days of service of the Complaint;

VERIFICATION

1 STATE OF NEVADA)
2 : ss.
3 COUNTY OF WASHOE)

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

11 Dated this 19th day of February, 2015.

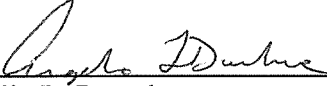
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am employed by Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners and that on 19th day of February 2015; I served a filed copy of COMPLAINT & FINGERPRINT INFORMATION, via USPS certified return receipt mail to the following:

Ara Keshishian, M.D.
1808 Verdugo Blvd., Ste. 413
Glendale, CA 91208

Dated this 19th day of February, 2015.



Angelia L. Donohoe
Legal Assistant

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