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BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

In the Matter of Charges and)
Complaint Against)
LISA M. COHEN, M.D.,)
Respondent.)

Case No. 15-33456-1

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF
MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT

The Investigative Committee (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board), by and through Robert G. Kilroy, Esq., General Counsel for the IC and the Board, having a reasonable basis to believe that Lisa M. Cohen, M.D. (Respondent), has violated the provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 630 and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 630 (collectively, the Medical Practice Act), hereby issues its formal First Amended Complaint, stating the IC's charges and allegations as follows:

1. Respondent is currently licensed in active status (License No. 12977), and has been licensed by the Board since December 12, 2008, pursuant to the provisions of the Medical Practice Act.

2. On February 19, 2015, Respondent was the subject of discipline by the Board of Registration in Medicine for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (See a true and correct copy of the Consent Order from the Board of Registration in Medicine for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, attached hereto as Exhibit "1.")

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Count I

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

4 4. NRS 630.301(3) provides that any disciplinary action, including, without
5 limitation, the revocation, suspension, modification or limitation of a license to practice any type
6 of medicine, taken by another state, the Federal Government, a foreign country or any other
7 jurisdiction or the surrender of the license or discontinuing the practice of medicine while under
8 investigation by any licensing authority, a medical facility, a branch of the Armed Services of the
9 United States, an insurance company, an agency of the Federal Government or an employer, is
10 grounds for initiating discipline against a licensee.

11 5. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as
12 provided in NRS 630.352.

13 **WHEREFORE**, the IC prays:

14 1. That the Board give Respondent notice of the charges herein against her and give
15 her notice that she may file an answer to the First Amended Complaint herein as set forth in NRS
16 630.339(2) within twenty (20) days of service of the First Amended Complaint;

17 2. That the Board set a time and place for a formal hearing after holding an Early
18 Case Conference pursuant to NRS 630.339(3);

19 3. That the Board determine what sanctions to impose if it finds and concludes that
20 there has been a violation or violations of the Medical Practice Act committed by Respondent; and

21 4. That the Board make, issue and serve on Respondent its findings of fact,
22 conclusions of law and order, in writing, that includes the sanctions imposed;

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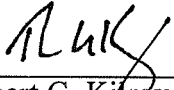
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5. That the Board take such other and further action as may be just and proper in these premises.

DATED this 15 day of June 2016.

THE INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By: 
Robert G. Kirov, Esq.
General Counsel

VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEVADA)
 : ss.
COUNTY OF WASHOE)

Wayne Hardwick, 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 First Amended Complaint against the Respondent herein; that he has read the foregoing First Amended Complaint; and that based upon information discovered during the course of the investigation into a complaint against Respondent, he believes the allegations and charges in the foregoing First Amended Complaint against Respondent are true, accurate, and correct.

Dated this 15th day of June, 2016.

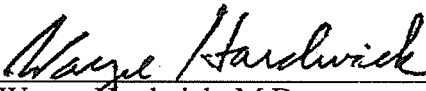
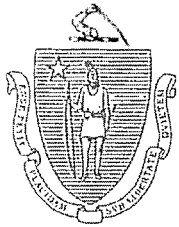

Wayne Hardwick, M.D.

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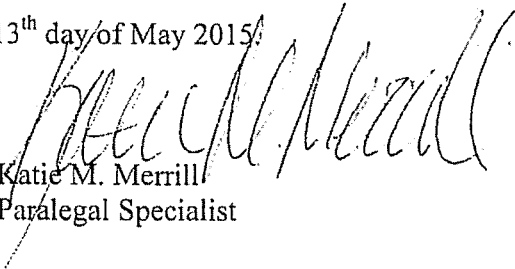
I hereby certify that the attached documents, Bates stamped 1-7, listed below, pertaining to Lisa M. Cohen, M.D., are true and accurate copies made this day from the records maintained within the official files of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine.

DOCUMENTS

Statement of Allegations, dated February 19, 2015 (Bates #1-3)

Consent Order, dated February 19, 2015 (Bates #4-7)

Signed under the pains and penalties of perjury this 13th day of May 2015


Katie M. Merrill
Paralegal Specialist

Board Seal

York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont and Virginia.

2. On May 30, 2010, the Respondent was arrested by the Chilmark Police Department for a motor vehicle-related offense.

3. On June 28, 2010, a judge in the Edgartown District Court (Court) found sufficient facts to warrant a finding of guilt but continued the matter without making such a finding.

4. The Court placed the Respondent on probation, which was ultimately terminated without incident on December 30, 2011.

5. On March 9, 2011, the Respondent filed a Physician Renewal Application (2011 Renewal Application) with the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine (Massachusetts Board).

6. Question 17 of the 2011 Renewal Application states:

17) Criminal Charges

a) Have you been charged with any criminal offense during this period?

b) Have any criminal offenses/charges against you been resolved during this time period?

c) Are there any criminal charges pending against you today?

d) Are any Applications for Issuance of Process pending against you?

7. The Respondent should have responded to Question 17 a) and b) in the affirmative. Instead, she responded in the negative.

Conclusion of Law

A. The Respondent has violated 243 CMR 1.03(5)(a)16 by failing to furnish the Board, its investigators or representatives, information to which the Board is legally entitled.

Sanction and Order

The Respondent's license is hereby admonished.

Execution of this Consent Order

The Respondent shall provide a complete copy of this Consent Order with all exhibits and attachments within ten (10) days by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by-hand delivery to the following designated entities: any in- or out-of-state hospital, nursing home, clinic, other licensed facility, or municipal, state, or federal facility at which the Respondent practices medicine; any in- or out-of-state health maintenance organization with whom the Respondent has privileges or any other kind of association; any state agency, in- or out-of-state, with which the Respondent has a provider contract; any in- or out-of-state medical employer, whether or not the Respondent practices medicine there; the state licensing boards of all states in which the Respondent has any kind of license to practice medicine; the Drug Enforcement Administration Boston Diversion Group; and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Drug Control Program. The Respondent shall also provide this notification to any such designated entities with which the Respondent becomes associated in the year following the date of imposition of this admonishment. The Respondent is further directed to certify to the Board within ten (10) days that the Respondent has complied with this directive.

The Board expressly reserves the authority to independently notify, at any time, any of the entities designated above, or any other affected entity, of any action it has taken.

Lisa M. Cohen

Lisa M. Cohen, M.D.
Licensee

1/5/15

Date

Thomas E. Peisch

Thomas E. Peisch, Esq.
Attorney for the Licensee

1/5/15

Date

John-Gostello

John-Gostello
Complaint Counsel

1/12/15

Date

So ORDERED by the Board of Registration in Medicine this 19th day of February,
20 15.

Kathleen Sullivan Meyer

Kathleen Sullivan Meyer
Board Vice Chair

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, SS.

Board of Registration in Medicine

Adjudicatory Case No. 2015-008

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In the Matter of)
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LISA M. COHEN, M.D.)
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STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

The Board of Registration in Medicine (Board) has determined that good cause exists to believe the following acts occurred and constitute a violation for which a licensee may be sanctioned by the Board. The Board therefore alleges that Lisa M. Cohen, M.D. (Respondent) has practiced medicine in violation of law, regulations, or good and accepted medical practice as set forth herein. The investigative docket number associated with this order to show cause is Docket No. 14-219.

Biographical Information

1. The Respondent was born on April 12, 1963. She graduated from the University of Vermont College of Medicine in 1989. She is certified by the American Board of Dermatology and Dermatopathology. She has been licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts under certificate number 80079 since 1994. She is also licensed to practice medicine in Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont and Virginia.

Factual Allegations

2. On May 30, 2010, the Respondent was arrested by the Chilmark Police Department for a motor vehicle-related offense.
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Legal Basis for Proposed Relief

- A. Pursuant to 243 CMR 1.03(5)(a)16, the Board may discipline a physician upon proof satisfactory to a majority of the Board, that said physician has failed to respond to a

subpoena or to furnish the Board, its investigators or representatives, documents, information or testimony to which the Board is legally entitled.

The Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to G.L. c. 112, §§ 5, 61 and 62. This adjudicatory proceeding will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 30A and 801 CMR 1.01.

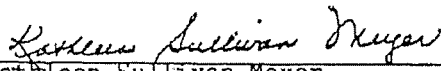
Nature of Relief Sought

The Board is authorized and empowered to order appropriate disciplinary action, which may include revocation or suspension of the Respondent's license to practice medicine. The Board may also order, in addition to or instead of revocation or suspension, one or more of the following: admonishment, censure, reprimand, fine, the performance of uncompensated public service, a course of education or training or other restrictions upon the Respondent's practice of medicine.

Order

Wherefore, it is hereby **ORDERED** that the Respondent show cause why the Board should not discipline the Respondent for the conduct described herein.

By the Board of Registration in Medicine,



Kathleen Sullivan Meyer
Board Vice Chair

Date: February 19, 2015