BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of Charges and) Case No. 17-36566-1
Complaint Against	FILED
TREVOR A. SCHMIDT, PA-C,) FEB - 3 2017
Respondent.	NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS By:

COMPLAINT

The Investigative Committee¹ (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board), having a reasonable basis to believe that Trevor A. Schmidt, PA-C (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 this Complaint, stating the IC's charges and allegations as follows:

A. Respondent's Medical License

- 1. Respondent is currently licensed as a certified Physician Assistant (PA-C) in active status (License No. PA1219), and has been so licensed by the Board since May 12, 2010, pursuant to the provisions of the Medical Practice Act.
 - 2. On September 11, 2002, Respondent was certified as a PA-C.

B. Respondent's Supervising Physician

- 3. Pursuant to NAC 630.360, a physician assistant is authorized to perform the medical services that are within the scope of practice of his supervising physician.
- 4. On December 29, 2014, Karen F. Arcotta, M.D. (NV License No. 4896), signed an agreement to become Respondent's supervising physician. Dr. Arcotta had a sub-specialty (cardiovascular disease) certification that expired on December 31, 2003. She was also Board

¹ The Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners, at the time of filing this Complaint, was composed of Wayne Hardwick, M.D., Theodore B. Berndt, M.D., and Mr. M. Neil Duxbury.

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certified (internal medicine) from September 14, 1983 through January 24, 2012. She became physically incapacitated due to complications from a total hip replacement on January 12, 2015.

Dr. Arcotta did not have any documented training in cosmetic and liposuction 5. procedures from December 29, 2014 through January 30, 2015, the latter of which was the effective date of the Notice of Termination of Supervising/Collaboration Agreement between Respondent and Dr. Arcotta.

C. Respondent's Practice

- At all times alleged herein, Respondent was the owner of MyShape Lipo. 6.
- At specific times alleged herein, Respondent was practicing medicine at MyShape 7. Lipo under the supervision of Dr. Arcotta.
- While practicing medicine at MyShape Lipo, Respondent performed the following 8. procedures at high volumes: tumescent liposuction, aesthetic procedures and/or fat injection procedures.

Respondent's Patient Care D.

To protect the privacy of Patients A through H referenced herein, their true 9. identities are not disclosed; however, their identities are disclosed in the Patient Designation served on Respondent contemporaneously with a copy of this Complaint.

Patient A

- On January 12, 2015, Patient A presented to Respondent at MyShape Lipo to be 10. evaluated for liposuction.
- On January 12, 2015, Patient A's medical chart lacks documentation of the units of 11. aspirate on the operative report, and is important to note how much was removed due to or relating to high-volume fluid shifts and its associated risks during the liposuction procedure.

Patient B

- On January 12, 2015, Patient B presented to Respondent at MyShape Lipo to be 12. evaluated for liposuction.
- On January 12, 2015, Patient B's medical chart lacks documentation of any 13. preoperative antibiotics, the Patient's blood pressure or pulse during the liposuction procedure

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Patient C

- On January 12, 2015, Patient C presented to Respondent at MyShape Lipo to be 14. evaluated for liposuction.
- On January 12, 2015, Patient C's medical chart lacks documentation regarding 15. blood pressure or pulse during the liposuction procedure.

Patient D

- On January 13, 2015, Patient D presented to Respondent at MyShape Lipo to be 16. evaluated for liposuction.
- On January 13, 2015, Patient D was in a hypertensive condition, even after 17. receiving Atenolol (200mg) approximately 14 minutes prior to the liposuction procedure. Patient D's blood pressure remained at 169/73 after the procedure, and Patient D was subsequently discharged.
- Patients D's medical chart does not indicate on the discharge note that Patient D's 18. blood pressure turned to normal limits and pulses were intact.
- On January 14, 2015, Patient D informed Respondent that there was extensive 19. bruising after the procedure. Respondent's failure to monitor such condition of hypertension increased the risk of hematoma development in Patient D.

Patient E

- 20. On January 13, 2015, Patient E presented to Respondent at MyShape Lipo to be evaluated for liposuction.
- On January 13, 2015, Patient E's medical chart lacks documentation of the blood 21. pressure or pulse during the liposuction procedure.

Patient F

- On January 13, 2015, Patient F presented to Respondent at MyShape Lipo to be 22. evaluated for liposuction.
- On January 13, 2015, Patient F's medical chart lacks documentation of blood 23. pressure or pulse during the liposuction procedure.

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Patient G

- On January 27, 2015, Patient G presented to Respondent at MyShape Lipo to be 24. evaluated for liposuction.
- January 27, 2015, Patient G's medical chart lacks any documentation that 25. antibiotics were given prior to the liposuction procedure.

Patient H

- On January 27, 2015, Patient H presented to Respondent at MyShape Lipo to be 26. evaluated for liposuction.
- January 27, 2015, Patient H's medical chart lacks any specific consent by Patient H 27. for a procedure of fat injections into the buttocks. Patient H's consent was limited to only the Risks of liposuction. Fat injections are a separate procedure with different risks, and required Patient H's specific consent to such risks.

COUNT I (Medical Records Violation)

- All of the allegations in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated as if fully set 28. forth herein.
- NRS 630.3062(1) provides that the failure to maintain timely, legible, accurate and 29. complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of a patient is grounds for initiating discipline against a licensee.
- NAC 630.380(m) states that a physician assistant is subject to disciplinary action 30. by the Board if the Board finds the physician assistant violated NRS 630.3062.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed 31. to maintain accurate and/or complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient A when he failed to document the units of aspirate on the operative report for Patient A.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed 32. to maintain accurate and/or complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient B when he failed to document any preoperative antibiotics and Patient B's blood pressure or pulse during the liposuction procedure.

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- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed 33. to maintain accurate and/or complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient C when he failed to document Patient C's blood pressure or pulse during the liposuction procedure.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed 34. to maintain accurate and/or complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient D when he failed to monitor the patient's condition of hypertension and increased risk of hematoma. Respondent also failed to indicate on the discharge note that blood pressure was in the normal limits and her pulses were intact.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed 35. to maintain accurate and/or complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient E when he failed to document Patient's E's blood pressure or pulse during the liposuction procedure.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed 36. to maintain accurate and/or complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient F when he failed to document Patient F's blood pressure or pulse during the liposuction procedure.
- 37. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed to maintain accurate and/or complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient G when he failed to document that antibiotics were given prior to the liposuction procedure.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed 38. to maintain accurate and/or complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient H when he failed to document within Patient H's medical chart any specific consent by Patient H for a procedure of fat injections into the buttocks.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as 39. provided in NAC 630.410.

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WHEREFORE, the Investigative Committee prays:

- That the Board give Respondent notice of the charges herein against him and give 1. him notice that he may file an answer to the Complaint herein as set forth in NRS 630.339(2) within twenty (20) days of service of the Complaint;
- That the Board set a time and place for a formal hearing after holding an Early Case Conference pursuant to NRS 630.339(3);
- That the Board determine the sanctions it will impose if it finds Respondent 3. violated the Medical Practice Act;
- That the Board make, issue and serve on Respondent, in writing, its findings of 4. fact, conclusions of law and order, which shall include the sanctions imposed; and
- That the Board take such other and further action as may be just and proper in these 5. premises.

DATED this 24 day of February, 2017.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Robert Kilroy Esq. General (Counsel

Attorney for the Investigative Committee

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEVADA)
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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 Complaint against the Respondent herein with respect to Case No. 17-36566-1; that he has read the foregoing Complaint; and that based upon information discovered during the course of the investigation into this Complaint against Respondent, he believes the allegations and charges in the foregoing Complaint against Respondent are true, accurate and correct.

Dated this 3 day of February, 2017.

Mayle Hardwick, M.D.

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I am employed by Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners and that on 3rd day of February 2017; I served a file copy of COMPLAINT & PATIENT DESIGNATION, via USPS certified return receipt mail to the following:

Trevor Schmidt, PA-C 2610 Horizon Ridge Pkwy., Ste. 203 Henderson, NV 89052

Dated this 3rd day of February, 2017.

Angelia L. Donohoe Legal Assistant