BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of Charges and

Complaint Against

HANS-JORG WALTER ROSLER, M.D.,

Respondent.

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Case No. 19-26862-1

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COMPLAINT

The Investigative Committee¹ (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board), by and through Aaron Bart Fricke, Esq., Deputy General Counsel and attorney for the IC, having a reasonable basis to believe that Hans-Jorg Walter Rosler, M.D. (Respondent) 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 Complaint, stating the IC's charges and allegations as follows:

Respondent was at all times relevant to this Complaint, a physician licensed to 1. practice medicine in the State of Nevada (License No. 10364). His license was originally issued by the Board on November 26, 2002.

Respondent's Failure to Supervise a Physician Assistant A.

At all times relevant to this Complaint, Respondent supervised Steven Lee 2. Olenchak, PA-C, a physician assistant licensed by the Board (Olenchak), pursuant to a formal notice of supervision provided to the Board in accord with NAC 630.360(4), wherein Respondent certified that he had read and was aware of all provisions of NRS Chapter 630 and NAC Chapter 630 concerning his duties as a physician supervising Olenchak.

¹ The Investigative Committee (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board), at the time this formal Complaint was authorized for filing, was composed of Board members Mr. M. Neil Duxbury, Chairman, Aury Nagy, M.D., and Michael C. Edwards, M.D., FACS.

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- Pursaunt to NAC 630.370(5), Respondent was required to develop and carry out a 3. program to ensure the quality of care provided by Olenchak, and to maintain accurate records and documentation regarding his program of supervision of Olenchak.
- Respondent failed to develop and carry out a program to ensure the quality of care 4. provided by Olenchak, and to maintain accurate records and documentation regarding his program of supervision of Olenchak.

COUNT I

NRS 630.3065(2)(a) (Knowing Failure to Comply With A Regulation of the Board)

- All of the allegations in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated as if fully set 5. forth herein.
- Pursuant to NRS 630.3065(2)(a), knowingly failing to comply with a regulation of 6. the Board is grounds for disciplinary action against a licensee.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent 7. knowingly failed to comply with NAC 630.370(5).
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as 8. provided in NRS 630.352.

Respondent's Responsibility for Improper Care by Supervisee Physician Assistant B.

- Patient A's true identity is not disclosed herein to protect his or her privacy, but is 9. disclosed in the Patient Designation served upon Respondent along with a copy of this Complaint.
- Patient A was a close personal friend of Olenchak, who also treated Patient A for 10. chronic pain with opioid analgesics, along with amphetamines and other controlled substances.
- Patient A suffered from opioid dependence, polysubstance abuse disorder, 11. substance-induced mood disorder, and depressive disorder, among other ailments.
- On July 27, 2014, Patient A died in a motor vehicle collision from multiple blunt 12. force injuries to the head. At the time of the crash, Patient A was under the influence of the controlled substances that Olenchak prescribed.
- Pursuant to the Board's Order of September 6, 2019, in Case No. 19-22430-1, 13. Olenchak admitted, and the Board formally found, that Olenchak violated standards of practice

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regarding the prescription of opioid analgesics to Patient A (see NRS 630.306(1)(b)(2)), and failed to maintain proper records for Patient A (see NRS 630.3062(1)(a)), for which conduct Olenchak was formally disciplined by the Board.

- Pursuant to NAC 630.370, as Olenchak's supervising physician, Respondent is 14. responsible for all the medical activities of Olenchak, including his care of Patient A and maintainence of medical records for Patient A.
- Pursuant to NAC 630.375, Olenchak is considered to be and is deemed the agent 15. of Respondent in the performance of all medical activities, including his care of Patient A and maintainence of medical records for Patient A.

COUNT II

NRS 630.306(1)(b)(2) (Violation of Standards of Practice)

- All of the allegations in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference 16. as though fully set forth herein.
- A physician assistant is subject to discipline for violating a provision of NRS 17. 630.301 through 630.3065 inclusive, pursuant to NAC 630.380(1)(m).
- Violation of a standard of practice adopted by the Board is grounds for disciplinary 18. action pursuant to NRS 630.306(1)(b)(2).
- The Board adopted by reference the Model Policy on the Use of Opioid Analgesics 19. in the Treatment of Chronic Pain, July 2013, published by the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Inc. (Model Policy).
- Pursuant to NAC 630.230(1)(k), a licensee shall not engage in the practice of 20. writing prescriptions for controlled substances to treat chronic pain in a manner that deviates from the policies set forth in the Model Policy on the Use of Opioid Analgesics in the Treatment of Chronic Pain adopted by reference in NAC 630.187.
- Olenchak wrote prescriptions to Patient A for opioid analgesics to treat chronic 21. pain in a manner that deviated from the Model Policy.

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- Pursuant to NAC 630.370 and 630.375, Respondent is professionally responsible 22. for his agent Olenchak writing prescriptions to Patient A for opioid analgesics to treat chronic pain in a manner that deviated from the Model Policy.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as 23. provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT III

NRS 630.3062(1)(a) (Failure to Maintain Proper Medical Records)

- All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by 24. reference as though fully set forth herein.
- NRS 630.3062(1)(a) provides that the failure to maintain timely, legible, accurate 25. and complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of a patient is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a licensee.
- Olenchak failed to maintain complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, 26. treatment and care of Patient A, by failing to document his actions in complying with the Model Policy, including, but not limited to, failing to document the following: physical examinations before prescribing opioid analgesics; queries of the PMP before prescribing opioid analgesics; urinalysis before and after prescribing opioid analgesics; support for his diagnoses with physical examination findings; treatment objectives to evaluate treatment progress; monitoring and adapting his treatment plan; progress toward discontinuation of opioid therapy.
- Pursuant to NAC 630.370 and 630.375, Respondent is professionally responsible 27. for his agent Olenchak's failure to maintain complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient A.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as 28. provided in NRS 630.352.

WHEREFORE, the Investigative Committee prays:

That the Board give Respondent notice of the charges herein and give notice that 1. an answer to the Complaint herein may be filed as set forth in NRS 630.339(2) within twenty (20) days of service of the Complaint;

2.	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 what sanctions to impose if it determines there has been 3. a violation or violations of the Medical Practice Act committed by Respondent;
- That the Board make, issue and serve on Respondent its findings of fact, 4. conclusions of law and order, in writing, that includes the sanctions imposed; and
- That the Board take such other and further action as may be just and proper in these 5. premises.

day of October, 2019. DATED this

> INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By:

Aaron Bart Fricke, Esq., Deputy General Counsel Attorney for the Investigative Committee

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners

VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEVADA)
	: ss.
COUNTY OF WASHOE)

Mr. M. Neil Duxbury, having been duly sworn, hereby deposes and states under penalty of perjury that he is the Chairman of the Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners that authorized the Complaint against the Respondent herein; that he has read the foregoing Complaint; and that based upon information discovered in the course of the investigation into a complaint against Respondent, he believes that the allegations and charges in the foregoing Complaint against Respondent are true, accurate and correct.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

M. Neil Duxbury, Chairman

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 8th day of October, 2019; I served a filed copy of the COMPLAINT (19-26862-1), via USPS ecertified return receipt mail to the following:

Hans-Jorg Walter Rosler, M.D. 815 S. Rampart Blvd., Ste 100 Las Vegas, NV 89145-4883

Dated this 8th day of October, 2019.

Dawn DeHaven Gordillo

Legal Assistant