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**THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**

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**In the Matter of Charges and
Complaint Against
TERRANCE J. KWIATKOWSKI, M.D.,
Respondent.**

Case No. 19-2134-1

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF
MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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COMPLAINT

The Investigative Committee (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) hereby issues this Complaint (Complaint) against Terrance J. Kwiatkowski, M.D. (Respondent), a licensed physician in Nevada. After investigating this matter, the IC¹ has a reasonable basis to believe that Respondent has violated provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 630 and the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 630 (collectively, the Medical Practice Act). The IC alleges the following facts:

- 16 1. Respondent was licensed by the Board, pursuant to the provisions of the Medical
17 Practice Act, on August 27, 2001, and is currently licensed in active status (License No. 9962).
- 18 2. Patient A's true identity is not disclosed herein to protect his privacy, but is
19 disclosed in the Patient Designation served upon Respondent along with a copy of this Complaint.
- 20 3. On July 1, 2014, Patient A presented to the Desert Springs Hospital Emergency
21 Room (ER) with a complaint of right facial swelling and a diagnosis of parotitis, and was
22 subsequently discharged with oral antibiotics (Amoxicillin) and pain medications.

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28 ¹ At the time filing of the Complaint was approved, the IC was composed of Theodore B. Berndt, M.D., Chairman, Michael J. Fischer, M.D., and Ms. Valerie J. Clark.

1 4. On July 2, 2014, Patient A returned to Desert Springs Hospital ER with a
2 complaint of worsening symptoms, and was transferred to Sunrise Hospital for an Ear, Nose and
3 Throat (ENT) specialist consult. Patient A was started on IV antibiotics (Clindamycin) and a CT
4 scan indicated a parotid edema on the right side and 3 mm stone in the parotid duct on the same
5 side.

6 5. On July 5, 2014, Patient A presented to Respondent, who recommended
7 intravenous steroids and antibiotics overnight, and he also recommended Patient A be discharged
8 with oral antibiotics for 10 days and a steroid taper.

9 6. On July 6, 2014, Patient A was discharged, based on Respondent's treatment plan,
10 with oral Clindamycin and pain medications. Steroids were prescribed by Respondent on July 7,
11 2014.

12 7. On July 8, 2014, Patient A presented to St. Rose Siena Hospital, with no
13 improvement in symptoms and with difficulty opening his mouth, and was admitted with ENT and
14 Infectious Disease was consulted. Patient A was started on intravenous antibiotics (Vancomycin
15 & Zosyn), pursuant to the Infectious Disease doctor.

16 8. On July 9, 2014, Patient A was seen by Respondent, who recommended that the
17 current treatment of IV antibiotics be continued, but did not recommend sialogogues (drugs that
18 increase saliva production), which Respondent believed would have worsened Patient A's
19 parotitis condition. Respondent recommended to staff that he be informed if Patient A's condition
20 got worse.

21 9. On July 14, 2014, Patient A had another CT scan due to no improvement and
22 worsening symptoms. This CT scan indicated "wall thickening, rim enhancing collection
23 occupying the parotid, spacing measuring 3 x 2.3 cm as well as calcifications within the parotid
24 gland consistent with an abscess," pursuant to the Radiology report. Respondent saw Patient A
25 and reviewed the scan with a Radiologist. Respondent's recommendation was to continue IV
26 antibiotics, and determined that Patient A's condition was not an abscess.

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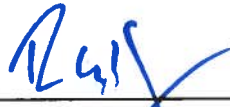
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5. That the Board takes such other and further action as may be just and proper in these premises.

DATED this 31 day of January, 2019.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By: 
Robert Kilroy, Esq.
General Counsel
Attorney for the Investigative Committee

VERIFICATION

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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; that he has read the foregoing 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 Complaint against Respondent are true, accurate and correct.

Dated this 31st day of January, 2019.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS



Wayne Hardwick, M.D., Chairman

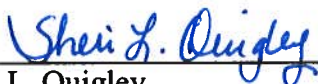
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I am employed by Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners and that on the 31st day of January, 2019, I served a filed copy of the COMPLAINT, via USPS e-certified return receipt mail to the following:

Terrance J. Kwiatkowski, M.D.
Southwest Ear & Sinus Center
8530 W. Sunset Road, Suite 240
Las Vegas, NV 89113

Dated this 31st day of January, 2019.



Sheri L. Quigley
Legal Assistant

