**BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS** 1 **OF THE STATE OF NEVADA** 2 \* \* \* \* \* 3 4 Case No. 22-38073-1 In the Matter of Charges and Complaint 5 **Against:** 6 FTI FD 7 JEFFREY DAVID GROSS, M.D., AFR 1 2 2022 NEVAGA STATE BOARD OF 8 **Respondent.** 9 **COMPLAINT** 10 The Investigative Committee<sup>1</sup> (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners 11 (Board), by and through Donald K. White, J.D., Senior Deputy General Counsel and attorney for the 12 IC, having a reasonable basis to believe that Jeffrey David Gross, M.D., (Respondent) violated the 13 provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 630 and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 14 Chapter 630 (collectively, the Medical Practice Act), hereby issues its Complaint, stating the IC's 15 charges and allegations as follows: 16 Respondent was at all times relative to this Complaint a medical doctor holding an 17 1. active license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada (License No. 13807). Respondent was 18 19 originally licensed by the Board on February 1, 2011. On or about January 23, 2018, an indictment was filed against Respondent in the 2. 20United States District Court for the Central District of California. 21 The indictment alleged that beginning on an unknown date, but no later than in or 3. 22 about February 2008, and continuing through at least in or around June 2013, Respondent and others 23 conspired to commit 1) honest services mail fraud, pursuant to 18 USC §§ 1341 and 1346, honest 24 services wire fraud, pursuant to 18 USC §§ 1343 and 1346, and use of an interstate facility in aid of 25 26 bribery, pursuant to 18 USC § 1952(a). 27 <sup>1</sup> The Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners, at the time this formal 28

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Complaint was authorized for filing, was composed of Board members Victor M. Muro, M.D., Aury Nagy, M.D., and

Ms. Maggie Arias-Petrel.

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4. On or about July 16, 2020, Respondent entered a guilty plea to one (1) felony count of conspiracy to commit honest services mail and wire fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371.

5. On or about May 21, 2021, Respondent's guilty plea was accepted by the judge in his criminal case, he was convicted of the federal crime of being part of a conspiracy with other conspirators taking kickbacks and bribes, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371, a felony, and sentenced to fifteen (15) months in prison and ordered to forfeit six hundred twenty-two thousand nine hundred thirty-six dollars (\$622,936.00), among other terms and conditions.

# <u>COUNT I</u>

NRS 630.301(1) - Conviction of a Felony Relating to the Practice of Medicine

6. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

7. NRS 630.301(1) provides that conviction of a felony relating to the practice of medicine is grounds for initiating disciplinary action or denying licensure.

8. Respondent was convicted of a felony relating to the practice of medicine, specifically, the federal crime of being part of a conspiracy with other conspirators taking kickbacks and bribes as part of his medical practice, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371, a felony.

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

## COUNT II

### NRS 630.301(9) - Disreputable Conduct

21 10. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated
22 by reference as though fully set forth herein.

11. NRS 630.301(9) provides that engaging in conduct that brings the medical
profession into disrepute is grounds for initiating disciplinary action or denying licensure.

12. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute
by participating in a federal crime of being part of a conspiracy along with others taking kickbacks
and bribes, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371, a felony, bringing the medical profession into disrepute.
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Respondent violated the public's trust in the medical community by disregarding the national code 1 2 of ethics when accepting kickbacks and bribes.

By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as 13. provided in NRS 630.352.

## **COUNT III**

## NRS 630.301(11)(g) - Conviction of an Offense Involving Moral Turpitude

14. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

NRS 630.301(11)(g) provides that conviction of any offense involving moral 15. turpitude is grounds for initiating disciplinary action or denying licensure.

Respondent was convicted of the federal crime of being part of a conspiracy with 16. others taking kickbacks and bribes, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371, a felony.

The federal crime of being part of a conspiracy with other conspirators taking 17. kickbacks and bribes, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371, a felony, is behavior that gravely violates the sentiments and accepted standards of the medical community and violates the public's trust in the medical community as a whole in the State of Nevada because the offense involves a physician's moral turpitude.

18. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as 18 provided in NRS 630.352. 19

# **COUNT IV**

# NRS 630.306(1)(b)(1) – Engaging in Conduct Which is Intended to Deceive

19. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

24 20. NRS 630.306(1)(b)(1) provides that engaging in any conduct which is intended to deceive is grounds for disciplinary action. 25

21. Respondent violated Section 630.306(1)(b)(1) when the facts as acknowledged by 26 Respondent in the Plea Agreement indicate that he knew of the conduct in which he was partaking 27 28 against his patients and other agencies and individuals and he concealed material information

about the crime, and that he did not make known, as soon as possible, the crime to a proper legal
 authority.

3 22. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as
4 provided in NRS 630.352.

**WHEREFORE**, the Investigative Committee prays:

1. That the Board give Respondent notice of the charges herein against him and give 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;

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

3. That the Board determine what sanctions to impose if it determines there has been a violation or violations of the Medical Practice Act committed by Respondent;

4. That the Board award fees and costs for the investigation and prosecution of this case as outlined in NRS 622.400;

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

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

DATED this  $\frac{12^{H}}{12}$  day of April, 2022.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By:

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Victor M. Muro, M.D., 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.

DATED this Aday of April, 2022.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By:

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Chairman of the Investigative Committee