# BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of the Charges and Complaint

Against:

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GEORGE PETER CHAMBERS, JR., M.D.,

Respondent.

Case No.: 24-27891-1

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

# ORDER OF SUSPENSION AND NOTICE OF HEARING

The Investigative Committee<sup>1</sup> (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) hereby **IMMEDIATELY SUSPENDS** the license of George Peter Chambers, Jr., M.D. (Dr. Chambers) from the practice of medicine, pursuant to the Board's authority to regulate the practice of medicine in the State of Nevada pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 630.

The IC issues this Order of Suspension (Order) based on its determination that Dr. Chambers violated a Board Order when he did not satisfy the conditions contained in the Board's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order (FFCLO), filed by the Board on October 2, 2023, in Case No. 22-27891-1.

Prior to the preparation of this Order, Board Staff presented to the IC the following:

1. Dr. Chambers is a medical doctor licensed to practice medicine in the State of Nevada (License No. 10476). Dr. Chambers was originally licensed by the Board on April 20, 2003.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners is composed of Board members Bret W. Frey, M.D., Col. Eric D. Wade, USAF (Ret.), and Carl N. Williams, Jr., M.D., FACS.

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- Pursuant to the terms of the FFCLO, Dr. Chambers was ordered to: 2.
- Sign an appropriate release with CPEP and complete and unconditionally a. pass the PROBE Ethics & Boundaries Course offered by CPEP on or before March 15, 2024.2
- Satisfactorily complete the Professional Boundaries Program through b. PACE at the University of San Diego by March 15, 2024.
- Reimburse the Board the reasonable costs and expenses actually incurred in the investigation and prosecution of this case in the amount of fifty-four thousand two hundred seventeen dollars and thirty-seven cents (\$54,217.37) by March 15, 2024; and
- Pay fines in the amount of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) for d. each count found proven, for a total of six thousand dollars (\$6,000), by March 15, 2024.
- On March 15, 2024, Dr. Chambers, through his counsel, submitted a Petition to 3. Extend Certain Deadlines (Petition) via email that was received at 6:49 p.m. that day.
- In that Petition, Dr. Chambers asked for additional time to complete the 4. requirements detailed above in 2(a), (c), and (d).
- Specifically, Dr. Chambers requested that he have three (3) additional months to 5. complete these requirements, to and including June 15, 2024.
- In that Petition, Dr. Chambers indicated that he had completed the requirement 6. detailed above in 2(b).
- However, the IC has reviewed the document that Dr. Chambers submitted with his 7. Petition and that document shows that Dr. Chambers completed a program with PACE on or about December 12, 2022, approximately five (5) months prior to the hearing that was held in this matter (on May 2, 2023, May 3, 2023, June 1, 2023, and June 2, 2023) and just over nine (9) months prior to the Board's consideration of this matter at the Board's September 15, 2023, Board meeting, after which the Board's Order dated October 2, 2023, was entered. Dr. Chambers did not complete the Professional Boundaries Program through PACE as ordered by the Board in this matter. Any program that was completed on or about December 12, 2022,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Information about this course is available at <a href="https://www.cpepdoc.org/cpep-courses/probe-ethics-">https://www.cpepdoc.org/cpep-courses/probe-ethics-</a> boundaries-program-united-states-2/.

would have been completed without the PACE Program having and utilizing the Board's FFCLO in order to ensure that the Board's findings were addressed in the Program.

- Dr. Chambers's Petition was added to the Board's meeting agenda on June 7, 2024, 8. Dr. Chambers and his counsel received notice of that meeting on or about May 6, 2024, via email and certified mail. Neither attended the meeting on June 7, 2024, in order to address the Board regarding Dr. Chambers's Petition.3
- Further, the timeframe that Dr. Chambers was requesting would end in just eight 9. (8) days after the Board meeting.
- June 15, 2024 has come and gone, and Board staff has received no payments nor 10. has Board staff received proof of completion of any of the terms ordered by the Board in the FFCLO dated October 2, 2023.
- Board staff has received no further communication with Dr. Chambers or his 11. attorney regarding Dr. Chambers's compliance with the terms ordered by the Board in the FFCLO dated October 2, 2023.
- Based on the foregoing, the IC finds that Respondent has willfully and knowingly 12. violated a Board Order and is immediately suspended from the practice of medicine in the State of Nevada. See NRS 630.326(1).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> On March 18, 2024, the Board's Deputy Executive Director, Sarah A. Bradley, emailed Dr. Chambers's counsel, Liborious Agwara, Esq., and indicated that the Petition had been received. Ms. Bradley further indicated that the Board just had a meeting on March 1, 2024, with the next meeting scheduled for June 7, 2024, only the Board is able to modify Board orders, and Dr. Chambers was currently not in compliance with the Board's Order as of March 15, 2024. She further stated that she would discuss with the Executive Director and get back to Mr. Agwara on the issue. Subsequently, on April 5, 2024, as a courtesy, the Board's Executive Director instructed Ms. Bradley to inform Dr. Chambers's counsel that he would delay enforcement of the Board's Order until May 15, 2024, with the hope that would allow Dr. Chambers sufficient time to complete the requirements ordered by the Board. On April 5, 2024, the Deputy Executive Director relayed that message to Dr. Chambers's counsel, Mr. Agwara, by email and Mr. Agwara responded later that day saying, "thanks much for your understanding." On May 6, 2024, the Board's Executive Director placed Dr. Chambers's Petition to Extend Certain Deadlines on the Board's June 7, 2024, meeting agenda out of an abundance of caution, given that Board staff had not received any information from Dr. Chambers regarding his compliance with the Board's Order. This way, the Board could review and decide Dr. Chambers's request at the June Board meeting. Both Dr. Chambers and Mr. Agwara received notice of the Petition being placed on the Board's June meeting agenda on May 6, 2024, via email and certified mail. By May 15, 2024, the Board had received no further information from Dr. Chambers on this issue, nor had Board staff received any proof of compliance with the requirements ordered by the Board from Dr. Chambers. To date, Dr. Chambers remains out of compliance with the Board's Order and has engaged in no further communication with Board staff on this issue.

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## **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the License of George Peter Chambers, Jr., M.D. (License No. 10476) is SUMMARILY SUSPENDED until further order of the IC or Board, and Respondent is **prohibited** from engaging in any acts that constitute the practice of medicine pursuant to NRS 630.020; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a hearing on this matter is set for July 18, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the Board's office located at 9600 Gateway Drive, Reno, Nevada 89521, to determine whether this suspension may continue, unless the parties mutually agree in writing to a different date and/or time. See NRS 630.326(2).

DATED this 1st day of July, 2024.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By:

W. FREY, M.D.

Chairman of the Investigative Committee