

BEFORE THE
NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD

In re:)
)
Douglas Elry Watford, M.D.,) CONSENT ORDER
)
Respondent.)

This matter is before the North Carolina Medical Board ("Board") on information regarding Douglas Elry Watford, M.D. ("Dr. Watford"). Dr. Watford admits and the Board finds and concludes that:

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

The Board is a body duly organized under the laws of North Carolina and is the proper party to bring this proceeding under the authority granted it in Article 1 of Chapter 90 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the rules and regulations promulgated thereto.

STIPULATIONS

Dr. Watford is a physician first licensed by the Board on or about June 6, 1992, license number 35546.

During the times relevant herein, Dr. Watford practiced medicine in Kinston, North Carolina.

On March 16, 2015, Dr. Watford and the Board entered into a Consent Order wherein Dr. Watford agreed to undergo an assessment by the Center for Personalized Education Physician

("CPEP") and follow all of CPEP's recommendations. CPEP performed an assessment and made recommendations, which Dr. Watford is obligated to follow.

On Friday, April 8, 2016, Dr. Watford pled guilty to one count of Distribution of Schedule IV narcotics by a DEA registrant in an unsecured and unsealed container and without the appropriate warning label, a misdemeanor.

Dr. Watford acknowledges and agrees that the Board has jurisdiction over him and over the subject matter of this case.

Dr. Watford knowingly waives his right to any hearing and to any judicial review or appeal in this case.

Dr. Watford acknowledges that he has read and understands this Consent Order and enters into it voluntarily.

Dr. Watford would like to resolve this matter without the need for more formal proceedings.

ORDER

Now, therefore, with Dr. Watford's consent, it is ORDERED that:

1. Dr. Watford's license to practice medicine and surgery shall be immediately and permanently SURRENDERED including, and not limited to, any and all property interest which Dr. Watford has now or ever had in his North Carolina medical license. Dr. Watford agrees never to apply for licensure, license

reinstatement, and/or license reactivation of his inactive and permanently surrendered North Carolina medical license. Dr. Watford further agrees never to apply for licensure, license reinstatement, and/or license reactivation in any other state, jurisdiction, or territory of the United States. The admissions, agreements and other language contained in this Consent Order constitute grounds for the Board staff to deny any and all future applications for licensure, license reinstatement, and/or license reactivation by Dr. Watford. Any future attempt by Dr. Watford to apply for licensure, license reinstatement, and/or license reactivation shall be denied at the administrative Board staff level and shall not be considered by the Board. Furthermore, an administrative staff level denial shall not be considered a "Board Action" which is appealable under N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14.1 to any Court in any jurisdiction.

2. This Consent Order shall take effect immediately upon its execution by both Dr. Watford and the Board and it shall continue in effect until specifically ordered otherwise by the Board.

3. Dr. Watford hereby waives any requirement under any law or rule that this Consent Order be served on him.

4. Upon execution by Dr. Watford and the Board, this Consent Order shall become a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes and shall be subject to public inspection and dissemination pursuant to the provisions thereof. Additionally, it will be reported to persons, entities, agencies and clearinghouses as required and permitted by law.

By Order of the North Carolina Medical Board this the 19th day of May, 2016.

NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD

By: Pascal O. Udekwu, M.D.
Pascal O. Udekwu, M.D.
President

Consented to this the 18 day of May, 2016.

Douglas Elry Watford MD
Douglas Elry Watford, M.D.

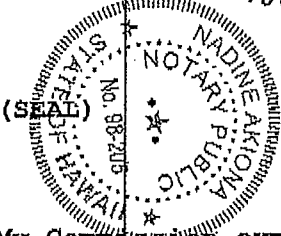
State of Hawaii
~~North Carolina~~
County of Maui

I, Nadine Akiona, a Notary Public for the above named County and State, do hereby certify that Douglas Elry Watford, M.D., personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal
this the 18 day of May, 2016.

Nadine Akiona

Notary Public Nadine Akiona



My Commission expires: 4-14-2018

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