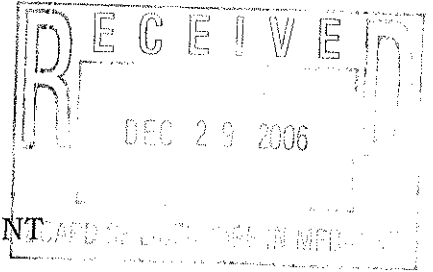


STATE OF MAINE
BOARD OF LICENSURE IN MEDICINE



In re:)
Douglas M. Morong, P.A.-C.)
Complaint No. CR06-427)

CONSENT
AGREEMENT

This document is a Consent Agreement, effective when signed by all parties, regarding disciplinary action against and conditions imposed upon the license to practice as a physician assistant in the State of Maine held by Douglas M. Morong, P.A.-C. The parties to the Consent Agreement are: Douglas M. Morong, PA-C ("Mr. Morong"), the State of Maine Board of Licensure in Medicine ("the Board"), and the State of Maine Office of the Attorney General ("the Attorney General"). This Consent Agreement is entered into pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 3282-A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

1. At all times relevant to the complaint, Mr. Morong was licensed as a physician assistant in the State of Maine. The Board first issued a physician assistant license to Mr. Morong on June 14, 1996.
2. On December 12, 2006, the Board reviewed information regarding Mr. Morong's prescribing practices, including: a Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) report showing prescriptions that he wrote; a PMP report showing prescription medications, including narcotics and testosterone, written to him; and medical records obtained from six (6) of his treating physicians. Following its review of this information, the Board voted to initiate a complaint against Mr. Morong's physician assistant license alleging fraud or deceit in connection with medical services rendered, substance abuse,

unprofessional conduct, incompetence, and Board Rule, Chapter 11. The Board docketed the Complaint as CR06-427.

3. In addition to initiating a complaint against his license on December 12, 2006, the Board summarily suspended Mr. Morong's physician assistant license for thirty (30) days based upon the imminent threat that his continued practice would pose to public safety, and ordered the matter set for an adjudicatory hearing.

4. On December 14, 2006, the Board sent Mr. Morong a copy of the Notice of Summary Suspension, Complaint, and Notice of Hearing at the following address:

Douglas M. Morong, P.A.-C.
375 Kelly Gap Rd.
Greenville, TN 37743

5. This Consent Agreement has been negotiated by Dennis E. Smith, Assistant Attorney General and legal counsel to the Board and Douglas Morong in order to resolve Complaint CR06-427 without an adjudicatory hearing. Absent Mr. Morong's acceptance of this Consent Agreement by signing it and dating it in front of a notary public and returning it to Maureen Lathrop, Investigative Secretary, Maine Board of Licensure in Medicine, 137 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0137 on or before January 2, 2007, the Board will resolve this matter by holding an adjudicatory hearing on January 9, 2006.

COVENANTS

In lieu of proceeding to an adjudicatory hearing in this matter, Mr. Morong

agrees to the following :

6. Mr. Morong neither admits nor denies the basis of complaint CR06-427. However, Mr. Morong concedes that the Board could reasonably conclude by the preponderance of the evidence that the alleged conduct occurred and could constitute fraud or deceit in the provision of medical services, substance abuse that is foreseeable likely to result in his performing medical services in a manner that compromises the safety of patients, and inappropriate prescribing practices, all of which amount to unprofessional conduct and grounds for discipline pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. § 3282-A(2)(A), (B), and (F).

7. As discipline for complaint CR06-427, Mr. Morong agrees to the IMMEDIATE AND PERMANENT REVOCATION of his license to practice as a physician assistant in the State of Maine.

8. Mr. Morong waives his right to a hearing before the Board or any court regarding all findings, terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement. Mr. Morong agrees that this Consent Agreement and Order is a final order resolving the complaint CR06-427. This Consent Agreement is not appealable and is effective until or unless modified or rescinded in writing by the parties hereto. This Consent Agreement cannot be amended orally. It can only be amended by a writing signed by the parties hereto and approved by the Office of Attorney General.

9. The Board and the Office of the Attorney General may communicate and cooperate regarding Mr. Morong or any other matter relating to this Consent Agreement.

10. This Consent Agreement is a public record within the meaning of 1 M.R.S.A. § 402 and will be available for inspection and copying by the public pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 408.

11. Nothing in this Consent Agreement shall be construed to affect any right or interest of any person not a party hereto.

12. The Board and Mr. Morong agree that no further agency or legal action will be initiated against him by the Board based upon complaint CR06-427.

13. Mr. Morong acknowledges by his signature hereto that he has read this Consent Agreement, that he has had an opportunity to consult with an attorney before executing this Consent Agreement, that he executed this Consent Agreement of his own free will and that he agrees to abide by all terms and conditions set forth herein.

I, DOUGLAS MORONG, M.D., HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT AND AGREE WITH ITS CONTENTS AND TERMS. I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO A HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD. I SIGN THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT VOLUNTARILY, WITHOUT ANY THREAT OR PROMISE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND, VERBAL, WRITTEN OR OTHERWISE.

DATED:

12-26-06



DOUGLAS M. MORONG, P.A.-C.

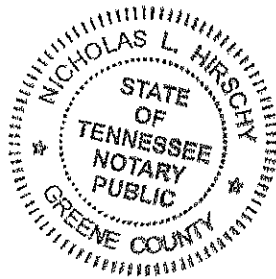
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[REDACTED], S.S.

Personally appeared before me the above-named Douglas M. Morong, P.A.-C. and swore to the truth of the foregoing based upon his own personal knowledge, or upon information and belief, and so far as upon information and belief, he believes it to be true.

DATED: 12/26/06

[Signature]
~~NOTARY PUBLIC/ATTORNEY~~



MY COMMISSION ENDS:
8/24/09

STATE OF MAINE
BOARD OF LICENSURE IN MEDICINE

DATED: 1-9-07

[Signature]
EDWARD DAVID, M.D., Chairman

STATE OF MAINE OFFICE
OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATED: 1/9/07

[Signature]
DENNIS E. SMITH
Assistant Attorney General

Effective Date:



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December 14, 2006

**SENT VIA FIRST CLASS AND CERTIFIED MAIL 7006 0810 0002 6819 3935
RESTRICTED DELIVERY, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Douglas M. Morong P.A.-C
375 Kelly Gap Rd
Greeneville, TN 37743

Re: Summary suspension of Maine physician assistant license

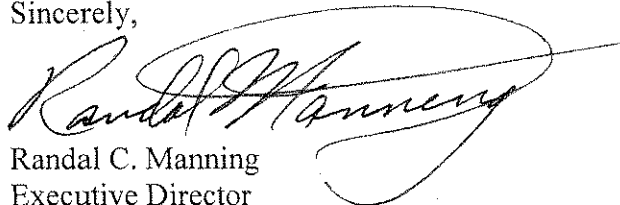
Dear Mr. Morong:

This letter is to inform you that at the December 12, 2006, meeting of the Board of Licensure in Medicine, the Board reviewed information regarding your prescribing practices as well as information regarding your obtaining of prescription medication, including narcotics and testosterone, from Dr. Brian Gallagher.

Pursuant to Title 5 M.R.S.A. 10004(3), the Board voted to suspend your physician assistant license immediately based upon the immediate jeopardy that your continued practice as a physician assistant poses to the safety of the public. Your license is suspended effective December 12, 2006, for a period of thirty (30) days. An Adjudicatory Hearing concerning these matters is scheduled to take place on January 9, 2007 at 12:30 p.m. The Notice of Hearing, which specifies the alleged violations, will be sent to you forthwith.

Because your license is under suspension, immediately return the license to this office at the address above.

Sincerely,


Randal C. Manning
Executive Director

RCM/msl
cc: Dennis E. Smith, AAG