#### BOARD MINUTES MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE JULY 16, 2025

A regularly called meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure was held on July 16, 2025, at 1867 Crane Ridge Drive, Suite 200B, Jackson, MS, after being duly noticed on the Mississippi Public Notice website, this Board's website, and the front door of the Board's offices in accordance with law. A copy of the agenda is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

### A QUORUM OF SIX (6) VOTING MEMBERS WAS PRESENT ON JULY 16, 2025:

C. Kenneth Lippincott, M.D., Tupelo, President Michelle Y. Owens, M.D., Jackson, Vice President Roderick Givens, M.D., Natchez, Secretary Kirk L. Kinard, D.O., Oxford William E. Loper, M.D., Ridgeland Renia Dotson, M.D., Greenville Shoba Gaymes, Jackson, Consumer Member

#### NOT PRESENT:

H. Allen Gersh, M.D., Hattiesburg Randy C. Roth, M.D., Pascagoula

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Paul Barnes, Board Attorney, Complaint Counsel
Pamela Ratliff, Special Assistant Attorney General
Kenneth Cleveland, Executive Director
Jay Ledbetter, Chief of Staff
Anna Boone, Director of Licensure Division
Jonathan Dalton, Director of Investigations
Kristin Wallace, Compliance/Investigator
Jerod Smooth, IT Director
Ken Slay, IT Projects
DeSha Cohn, Legal Assistant
Frances Carrillo, Executive Assistant
Erica Coleman, IT
Kaelin Hanson, IT
Amanda Wooton, Court Reporter (joined meeting at 1:00 pm via Zoom)

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 am by Dr. Kenneth C. Lippincott, President. The invocation was given by Dr. Dotson, and the pledge was led by Dr. Loper. Dr. Cleveland, Executive Director, called Roll and reported that a quorum was present.

Dr. Lippincott and other Board members expressed sorrow and observance at the passing of Dr. Thomas Joiner.

Dr. Lippincott introduced Pamela Ratliff, Special Assistant Attorney General, serving as the Board's Hearing Officer.

#### **Executive Director Report**

Dr. Kenneth Cleveland provided an updated summary regarding Licensure and Investigative Division operations for May and June 2025. Jackie McKenzie, in Legal, completed the Administrative Services Certification Program, and Anna Boone, Director of Licensure, completed the Supervisory Manager Certification Program.

Deputy Director Mike Lucius officially retired on June 30, 2025. The agency has three open positions, including a Deputy Director, a second attorney, and a communications officer.

Shoba Gaymes is the only consumer member and represents Supreme Court District 1. Dr. Cleveland asked the Board members to follow up with him if they had any referrals for individuals they considered strong candidates to serve as consumer Board members for Supreme Court Districts 2 and 3.

Dr. Cleveland gave an overview of the status of renewal season.

#### Review and Approval of Minutes of the Executive Committee dated May 21, 2025.

Upon review of the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting dated May 21, 2025, Dr. Loper moved for approval of the minutes as submitted, seconded by Dr. Owens, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### Review and Approval of Minutes of the Nominating Committee dated May 21, 2025

Upon review of the minutes of the Board Meeting dated May 21, 2025, Dr. Loper moved for approval of the minutes as submitted. Dr. Owens seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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#### Report of July 16, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting

Dr. Givens reported on the matters considered by the Executive Committee on May 21, 2025, and the recommendations made. Dr. Givens briefly summarized the matters considered by the Executive Committee.

A motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Kinard, and carried unanimously, to accept the report and ratify the recommendations as reported by the Executive Committee. Copies of the approved minutes are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

# HEARING IN THE CASE OF JAMES LESLIE HENDERSON, M.D., JACKSON, MS MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE #15783 MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Mr. Barnes presented the charges against Dr. Henderson related to the loss of his privileges at Choctaw Medical. Dr. Henderson has filed a defamation suit stating he was denied due process. Mr. Barnes reported that he and the Licensee's attorney, Dennis Horn, Esq., have discussed the possibility of staying this matter until it is ready to be brought back and placed on the agenda for consideration by the Board. The request to stay is unopposed, and Mr. Barnes requests that it be granted.

A motion was made by Dr. Loper, seconded by Dr. Dotson, and carried unanimously to GRANT the motion to stay.

#### HEARING IN THE CASE OF MARY T. JACOBSON, M.D., LAFAYETTE, LA MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE #28111 MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Mr. Barnes presented the charges against Dr. Jacobson related to unprofessional conduct. Licensee's attorney, Julie Mitchell, Esq., requested a motion for continuance to allow time for her to prepare for the hearing. The motion is unopposed, and Mr. Barnes requests that it be granted.

A motion was made by Dr. Givens, seconded by Dr. Owens, and carried unanimously to GRANT the motion to continue this matter.

#### HEARING IN THE CASE OF ARDARIAN D. PIERRE, M.D., MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE #25936 MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

Mr. Barnes presented the charges against Dr. Pierre related to unprofessional conduct. The licensee requested a motion for continuance to allow time for her to prepare for the hearing. The motion is unopposed, and Mr. Barnes requests that it be granted.

A motion was made by Dr. Loper, seconded by Dr. Owens, and carried unanimously to GRANT the motion to continue this matter.

HEARING IN THE CASE OF ELIS YNGVE OLSON, M.D., HEBER CITY, UT MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE #25545 APPROVAL OF CONSENT ORDER

Dr. Olson did not appear for this hearing. Mr. Barnes briefly summarized the matter that led to a proposed Consent Order based on telemedicine violations by failing to establish a legitimate physician-patient relationship, failing to perform required lab tests, and failing to properly communicate with the patient.

Mr. Barnes answered questions from the Board.

A motion was made by Givens, seconded by Dr. Kinard, and carried unanimously to APPROVE the Consent Order.

A copy of the Consent Order is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

The official account of this proceeding was recorded by Amanda Wooton, Court Reporter, AW Reporting.

FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY ROMMEL ASAGWARA, M.D. MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE #26900 SURRENDER OF MEDICAL LICENSE

Mr. Barnes briefly summarized that this is an indefinite surrender of Dr. Asagwara's license. Dr. Asagwara agreed to surrender his Mississippi Medical License, and never to seek reinstatement, renewal, or to reapply.

## PETITION TO LIFT RESTRICTIONS OF JAMES LEONARD WOOTTON, III, M.D. MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE #25172

Mr. Barnes presented Dr. Wootton's petition to lift restrictions.

Ms. Lorraine Boykin introduced herself to the Board.

Mr. Barnes stipulated that the Court Reporter had not arrived and was unsure if a court reporter would be present for the hearing. Dr. Wootton and his counsel stipulated that, with the approval of the Hearing Officer, they would accept the video recording of the hearing as the official record for this hearing.

Ms. Ratliff stated she reviewed the rules, and since it is not a disciplinary hearing, a transcript is not required. Ms. Ratliff stated for the record that the licensee, his attorney, and Mr. Barnes agree to the use of the video recording. Dr. Wootton was sworn in by Pamela Ratliff.

Mr. Barnes gave a brief overview. Dr. Wootton was disciplined by this Board around four years ago for sexual misconduct. The Board suspended his license and placed restrictions on his return to practice, including a preceptorship and an appropriate psychosexual evaluation. Dr. Wootton has come back before the Board on two occasions, requesting greater geographical freedom as to where he might seek employment. The Board granted both requests. Dr. Wootton

has not been able to obtain a position in which he could comply with the Board's requirements for return to practice. Dr. Wootton is petitioning the Board to allow him to return to practice so that he can complete the requirements.

Ms. Boykin made a brief statement and called Dr. Wootton to testify.

Dr. Wootton briefly introduced himself and described the difficulties he has had trying to obtain a position with a restricted license.

- Dr. Wootton answered questions from Ms. Boykin.
- Dr. Wootton answered questions from Mr. Barnes.
- Dr. Wootton answered questions from the Board.

A motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Kinard, and carried that the Board hearing be closed to discuss going into executive session.

#### CLOSED SESSION

During closed session, a motion was made by Dr. Givens, seconded by Dr. Lippincott, and carried that the Board enter into executive session to discuss lifting the restrictions against Dr. Wootton's license.

#### RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Upon a motion by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Kinard, and carried unanimously, the Board came out of executive session. Dr. Givens reported that the Board finds Dr. Wootton's request for an unrestricted license should be **GRANTED**, conditional upon the completion of the Board-approved re-entry plan and affiliating with the Mississippi Physician Health Program ("PHP") for a minimum of five (5) years.

THE BOARD RECESSED FOR LUNCH AT 12:00 PM AND RECONVENED AT 1:00 PM

PURSUANT TO MS CODE § 25-41-7, INVESTIGATIVE SUBPOENA FOR APPROVAL, CASE NUMBER: 2025-060. THIS IS A MATTER FOR REVIEW AND DISCUSSION TO BE HELD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS INVESTIGATIVE PROCEEDINGS REGARDING ALLEGATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR VIOLATIONS OF LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-41-7(4)(d).

Mr. Barnes requested that the Board entertain a motion to close the meeting to consider going into executive session to decide whether to issue an investigative subpoena (Agenda Item #16).

A motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Loper, and carried unanimously to close the meeting to consider going into executive session.

#### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Dr. Givens reported that the issuance of an investigative subpoena in Case Number: 2025-060 is **APPROVED.** 

SEPTEMBER 2025 BOARD MEETING DATES, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2025, AND THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2025.

After the discussion, the dates for the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board were set for Wednesday, September 17, 2025, and Thursday, September 18, 2025.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Kenneth Lippincott, M.D.

President

Minutes taken and transcribed by: Jackie McKenzie, Paralegal July 16, 2025

#### BOARD MEETING AGENDA MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE JULY 16, 2025, 10:00 am

- Meeting called to order.
- Invocation, Pledge
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Report from the Executive Director
- Approval of Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting dated May 21, 2025.
- 6. Approval of Minutes of the Nominating Committee Meeting dated May 21, 2025
- Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting dated May 22, 2025.
- 8. Report of July 16, 2025, Executive Committee Meeting.
- Hearing in the Case of James Leslie Henderson, M.D. Mississippi Medical License 15783 Request for a Continuance
- Hearing in the Case of Mary T. Jacobson, M.D. Mississippi Medical License 28111 Request for a Continuance
- Hearing in the Case of Ardarian Darice Gilliam Pierre, M.D. Mississippi Medical License 25936 Request for a Continuance
- Hearing in the Case of Elis Yngve Olson, M.D. Mississippi Medical License 25545 Approval of Consent Order
- 13. <u>For Informational Purpose</u>

Rommel Asagwara, M.D. Mississippi Medical License 26900 Surrender of Medical License

- 14. Petition to lift restrictions of James Leonard Wootton, III, M.D. Mississippi Medical License 25172
- 15. Pursuant to MS Code § 25-41-7, Investigative Subpoena for approval, Case number 2025-060. This is a matter for review and discussion to be held in executive session to discuss Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violations of law.
- 16. September 2025 Board Meeting Dates: Wednesday, September 17, 2025, and Thursday, September 18, 2025.

# MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE



Executive Committee Meeting Wednesday, July 16, 2025, at 8:00 am Board Room

Board Meeting Wednesday, July 16 at 10:00 am Board Room

#### BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF:

MARY T. JACOBSON, M.D.

License No. 28111

#### **ORDER OF CONTINUANCE**

THIS MATTER came on regularly for consideration by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (hereinafter "Board") in response to an unopposed request for continuance of the hearing set for this date made by Dr. Jacobson's attorney, Julie Mitchell.

After consideration of the matter, the Board finds the motion well-taken and is hereby **GRANTED**.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, that this matter is continued until September 17 \$18, 2025.

SO ORDERED this the 16th, day of July 2025.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

BY:

Kenneth C. Lippincott, M.D.

**President** 

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF:

Ardarian Gilliam Pierre, M.D.

License No. 25936

ORDER OF CONTINUANCE

THIS MATTER came on regularly for consideration by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (hereinafter "Board") in response to an unopposed request for continuance of the hearing set for this date made by Dr. Pierre.

After consideration of the matter, the Board finds the motion well-taken and is hereby **GRANTED**.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, that this matter is continued until September 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

SO ORDERED this the 16th day of July 2025.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

BY:

Kenneth C. Lippingott,

President

## BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE

OF

#### ELIS YNGVE OLSON, M.D.

#### CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, ELIS YNGVE OLSON, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of Mississippi Medical License No. 25545, issued February 9, 2018, said license number expired on June 30, 2024, although he maintains the inchoate right of renewal;

WHEREAS, there are now pending before the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, hereinafter referred to as "Board," certain allegations related to Licensee's practice of medicine;

WHEREAS, the Investigative Division of the Board has investigated the medical practice of Licensee and has in its possession evidence which, if produced during the course of an evidentiary hearing, would substantiate that Licensee has violated certain provisions of the Board's Administrative Code pertaining to failing to perform a physical exam of appropriate diagnostic and laboratory testing prior to prescribing medications during the practice of telemedicine, which is unprofessional conduct, likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public;

WHEREAS, the above conduct, if established before the Board, would constitute violations of the Mississippi Medical Practice Act, specifically, Subsections (8)(d) and (13) of § 73-25-29, and § 73-25-83(a) of Miss. Code Ann., as amended; as well as Title 30, Part 2635, Chapter 5 Rule 5.4; and Title 30, Part 2640, Chapter 1, Rule 1.11; conduct for

which the Board may revoke the medical license of Licensee, suspend it for a time deemed proper by the Board, or take any other action as the Board may deem proper under the circumstances:

WHEREAS, Licensee wishes to avoid an evidentiary hearing before the Board and, in lieu thereof, has agreed to execute this Consent Order, subject to the terms and conditions as specified below;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board, with consent of Licensee as signified by his joinder herein, does hereby take the following disciplinary action:

- (1) Dr. Olson's license (No. 25524) to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi is hereby suspended for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of acceptance of the Consent Order by the Board. Once the terms of this Consent Order are satisfied, Licensee will automatically be returned to the appropriate licensure status and be eligible for renewal without further appearance or order of the Board.
- (2) Licensee shall, within six (6) months of the date of this Order, successfully complete Board approved Continuing Medical Education (CME) in the area of Ethics, said course to be selected from the list of Board approved courses attached hereto as Exhibit "A". Licensee shall provide proof of attendance and participation in the course required herein. Any credit received for such CME shall be in addition to the forty (40) hours of Category 1 CME requirements as cited in Title 30, Part 2610, Chapter 2 of the Board's Administrative Code.
- (3) Licensee shall obey all federal, state, and local laws, and all rules and regulations governing the practice of medicine. Any further acts of misconduct will result in further action.

(4) Licensee shall reimburse the Board for all costs incurred in relation to the pending matter pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-30. Licensee shall be advised of the total assessment by separate written notification and shall tender to the Board a certified check or money order made payable to the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, on or before forty (40) days from the date the assessment is mailed to Licensee via U.S. Mail to Licensee's current mailing address.

This Consent Order shall be subject to approval by the Board. If the Board fails to approve this Consent Order, in whole or in part, it shall have no force or effect on the parties. It is further understood and agreed that the purpose of this Consent Order is to avoid a hearing before the Board. In this regard, Licensee authorizes the Board to review and examine any documentary evidence or material concerning the Licensee prior to or in conjunction with its consideration of this Consent Order. Should this Consent Order not be accepted by the Board, it is agreed that presentation to and consideration of this Consent Order and other documents and matters pertaining thereto by the Board shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Board or any of its members from participation in any further proceedings.

Should the Board hereafter receive documented evidence of Licensee violating any of the terms and conditions of this Consent Order, the Board shall have the right, pursuant to a full evidentiary hearing, to revoke the medical license of Licensee, suspend it for a time deemed proper by the Board, or take any other action determined as necessary by the Board.

Licensee understands and expressly acknowledges that this Consent Order shall constitute a public record of the State of Mississippi. Licensee further acknowledges that

the Board shall provide a copy of this Order to, among others, the National Practitioners Data Bank (NPDB), the Mississippi Department of Health (MSDH), the Federation of State Medical Boards, the Office of the Inspector General, United Stated Department of Health and Human Services (OIG-HHS), the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), the Mississippi Division of Medicaid, the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy, and the Mississippi State Medical Association (MSMA). The Board makes no representation as to action, if any, which any other agency or jurisdiction may take in response to this Order.

Recognizing his right to notice of charges specified against him, to have such charges adjudicated pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-27 (1972), to be represented therein by legal counsel of his choice, and to a final decision based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, ELIS YNGVE OLSON, M.D., nevertheless, hereby waives his right to notice and a formal adjudication of charges and authorizes the Board to enter an order accepting this Consent Order, subject to those terms and conditions listed above.

EXECUTED AND EFFECTIVE, this 17 day of July, 2025.

ELIS YNGVE OLSON, M.D.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED, this the 16th day of July, 2025.

Charles K. Lippincott, M.D.

Board President

If a licensee has been a subject of disciplinary action by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, below are approved facilities to obtain required intensive CME coursework.

Case Western Reserve University
School of Medicine
216.983.1239
Continuing Medical Education | School of
Medicine | Case Western Reserve
University

Center for Personalized Education for Physicians (CPEP) 303.577.3232 https://www.cpepdoc.org/

PBI Education
Locations: Atlanta, Orlando, Irvine,
Chicago, New York, & Austin
904.800.1237
www.pbieducation.com

Sante Center for Healing Boundaries Course 940.464.7222 www.santecenter.com

K-Star Program/Texas A&M 979.436.0407 https://architexas.org/kstarphysician/index.html

UCSD Pace Program
University of California San Diego
619.543.6770
www.paceprogram.ucsd.edu

University of Florida
College of Medicine
352.265.5549
Program for Distressed Physicians »
Professionalism in Medicine » College of
Medicine » University of Florida (ufl.edu)

University of South Florida College of Medicine 813.396.9217 800.852.5362 www.cme.hsc.usf.edu

Vanderbilt University Medical Center
The Center for Professional Health
615.936.0678
Vanderbilt Medical Center's Center For
Professional Health Course Offerings
(vumc.org)

Any questions can be directed to Kristin Wallace at 601.987.0227 or via email: kwallace@msbml.ms.gov

# BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE

OF

#### ROMMEL IJEOMA ASAGWARA, M.D.

#### SURRENDER OF MEDICAL LICENSE

WHEREAS, ROMMEL IJEOMA ASAGWARA, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of Mississippi Medical License No. 26900, issued on June 28, 2019, to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi;

WHEREAS, the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure ("Board") has brought formal administrative charges against Licensee alleging violations of Board regulations pertaining to prescribing and dispensing controlled substances for weight loss, as well as certain provisions of the Medical Practice Act. Those charges are currently pending and a disciplinary hearing to resolve same is set before the Board on July 17, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, to resolve this matter and to avoid a hearing before the Board, Licensee hereby voluntarily surrenders his license (No. 26900) to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi and understands said Surrender shall be effective immediately upon execution. Licensee understands this is an unconditional surrender and is reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank and other entities such as the Federation of State Medical Boards and shall constitute a public record of the State of Mississippi. Licensee expressly agrees that he will not seek renewal or reinstatement of his license to practice medicine in Mississippi, nor will he seek a new license to practice in this State.

Recognizing his right to notice of charges specified against him, to have such charges adjudicated pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-27 (1972), to be represented therein by legal counsel of his choice, and to a final decision rendered upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, ROMMEL IJEOMA ASAGWARA, M.D., nevertheless, hereby waives his right to notice and a formal adjudication of charges and hereby voluntarily executes this Surrender of Medical License.

**EXECUTED**, this the <u>10th</u>, day of July, 2025.

ROMMEL IJEOMA ASAGWARA, M.D.

## BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF: JAMES LEONARD WOOTTON, III, M.D.

#### ORDER REMOVING RESTRICTIONS

THIS MATTER came on regularly for hearing on July 16, 2025, before the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (hereinafter "Board"), in response to the petition of JAMES LEONARD WOOTTON, III, M.D. (hereinafter "Licensee"), seeking removal of all restrictions on his license to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi.

In January 2022, the Board suspended Licensee's Mississippi medical license by virtue of a Consent Order. On or about March 22, 2023, the Board reinstated Licensee's Mississippi medical licensure with certain restrictions, including completion of a Board approved intensive treatment program. Licensee completed an intensive treatment program at Pine Grove, which acknowledged Licensee was safe to return to practice provided certain recommendations were met.

At the hearing on July 16, 2025, Licensee appeared before the Board and was represented by Honorable Lorraine W. Boykin. Counsel for the Board was Honorable Paul Barnes. Sitting as legal advisor and hearing officer to the Board was Honorable Pamela S. Ratliff, Special Assistant Attorney General. Board members present for the proceedings were Ken Lippincott, M.D., President; Michelle Owens, M.D.; Kirk Kinard, D.O.; William

Loper, M.D., Roderick Givens, M.D.; Renia R. Dotson, M.D.; and Randy Roth, M.D.

Consumer member present was Koomarie "Shoba" Gaymes.

Licensee testified he has had difficulty securing permanent employment. As a result,

he has been unable to satisfy all requirements of the Order Granting Reinstatement of

License, including but not limited to, PEP recheck six months after resuming work, biannual

polygraphs, and establishment of a workplace monitor and monitoring agreement. Since

Licensee has been away from clinical practice for an extended period, with Board approval,

Licensee will secure an affiliation with Mississippi Physician Health Program ("PHP") for a

minimum of five (5) years and follow a Board approved physician re-entry to practice plan.

Accordingly, the Board finds Licensee's request for removal of restrictions to be well-taken.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Licensee's request for removal of restrictions is

hereby granted. Licensee now holds an unrestricted license to practice medicine in the

State of Mississippi.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to MISS. CODE ANN. Section 73-25-27, that a

copy of this Order shall be sent by registered mail or personally served upon JAMES

LEONARD WOOTTON, III, M.D.

SO ORDERED, this the 16th day of July, 2025.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

RV:

. Kenneth Lippincott, M.

President