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

OF

VISHAL VERMA, M.D.

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS Vishal Verma, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of License No. 24550, issued August 15, 2016, for the practice of medicine in the State of Mississippi;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2018, the Maryland Board of Physicians, hereinafter referred to as the "Maryland Board," charged Licensee with unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, failure to comply with provisions of Section 12-102 of the Health Article, and willfully making false representation when seeking or making application for licensure. The charges alleged that Licensee, based on the brief questionnaire, prescribed and dispensed Latisse to over 1,300 Maryland residents. Licensee did not have a Maryland Dispensing permit and did not conduct an in person or synchronous audio-only or audio-visual patient evaluation. Licensee further failed to accurately respond on his Maryland Renewal Application to questions pertaining to his prior discipline and his practice of telemedicine.

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the Maryland Board concluded as a matter of law that Licensee was guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, failed to comply with the provisions of Section 12-102 of the Health Occupations Article, and willfully made a false representation when seeking or making application for licensure, in violation of Section 14-404(a)(3)(ii), (28), and (36) of the Health Occupations Article, respectively. Based on the findings of the Maryland Board, Licensee was Ordered to be Reprimanded and further Ordered to be placed on probation for a minimum of six months with probationary conditions;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Subsection (9) of Section 73-25-29, Mississippi Code (1972), Annotated, the aforementioned actions by the Maryland Board constitute restrictions placed on his license in another jurisdiction, grounds for which the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure may revoke the Mississippi medical license of Licensee, suspend his right to practice for a time deemed proper by the Board, place his license on probation, the terms of which may be set by the Board, or take any other action in relation to his license as the Board may deem proper under the circumstances;

WHEREAS, Licensee wishes to avoid a hearing before the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure and, in lieu thereof, has consented to the action set forth in this Consent Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, with consent of Licensee as signified by his joinder herein, does hereby formally reprimand Licensee.

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.

Licensee understands and expressly acknowledges that this Consent Order, if approved and executed by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, 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 U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, and 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 rendered upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, Vishal Verma, M.D., nonetheless, hereby waives his right to notice and a formal adjudication of charges and authorizes the Board to enter an order accepting this Consent Order.

Executed, this the ______, day of _____September _____, 2020.

Vishal Verma, M.D.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED this the 18^{+h} , day of 10^{-h} , day of 10^{-h} , 2020, by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.

Jeanne Ann Rea, M.D. Board President

Latisse is a prostaglandin analog, a prescription medication that grows longer, darker, and thicker eyelashes.