

**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE
IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE
OF
JOHN WAYNE PRATHER, M.D.**

SURRENDER OF MEDICAL LICENSE

WHEREAS, John Wayne Prather, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of License Number 08877 issued on October 9, 1973, to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi;

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2020, Licensee's medical staff privileges at Magnolia Regional Health Center were terminated related to allegations of sexual harassment;

WHEREAS, the Investigative Staff of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, hereinafter referred to as the "Board," has conducted an investigation of Licensee and has in its possession evidence which, if produced during the course of a full evidentiary hearing, would indicate that Licensee is guilty of unprofessional conduct, including any dishonorable or unethical conduct likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public;

WHEREAS, the above conduct constitutes violations of the Mississippi Medical Practice Act, specifically, Subsection (8)(d), of §73-25-29 Miss. Code Ann., as amended, 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;

NOW THEREFORE, in order to resolve this matter now pending before the Board, Licensee agrees to voluntarily surrender his medical license (08877) 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, is reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank and other entities, such as the Federation of State Medical Boards, and is a public record of the State of Mississippi.

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, **John Wayne Prather, 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 Surrender of Medical License to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi.

EXECUTED AND EFFECTIVE, this the 25 day of January, 2021.



John Wayne Prather, M.D.