

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE**

**OF**

**DAVID ARI LAPIDES, M.D.**

**SURRENDER OF MEDICAL LICENSE**

**WHEREAS, DAVID ARI LAPIDES, M.D.**, hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of Mississippi Medical License No. 28450, issued on December 22, 2020, to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi;

**WHEREAS**, Licensee entered a plea of guilty to two felony charges of possession, reproduction, distribution, solicitation and facilitation of child pornography in the state of Virginia;

**WHEREAS**, such conduct, if established in a due process hearing before the Board, is in violation of the Mississippi Medical Practice Act, specifically Miss. Code Ann., §73-25-29(6), (8)(d) and 73-25-83(a), as amended for which the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure may revoke said license, or take any other action the Board may deem proper under the circumstances;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Licensee hereby voluntarily surrenders his medical license (No. 28450) 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 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, **DAVID ARI LAPIDES, 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 AND EFFECTIVE**, this the 11, day of July, 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DAVID ARI LAPIDES' with a stylized flourish at the end.

**DAVID ARI LAPIDES, M.D.**

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**ORDER OF CONTINUANCE**

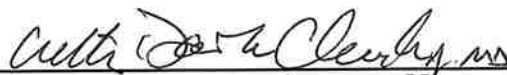
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**THIS MATTER** came on regularly for consideration by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, in response to a request for continuance of the hearing set for May 19, 2022, made by David Ari Lapidés, M.D. (hereinafter "Licensee"). After consideration of the matter, the Board finds Licensee's request to be well taken.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED**, that this matter is continued until July 21, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

**SO ORDERED**, this the 19th day of May 2022.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF  
MEDICAL LICENSURE**

BY:   
**William D. McClendon, Jr., M.D.**  
**President**

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**SUMMONS**

**TO: DAVID ARI LAPIDES, M.D.  
3772 Buck Island Rd.  
Charlottesville, VA 22902**

**LICENSE NUMBER 28450**

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to appear before the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure in its Executive Conference Room, 1867 Crane Ridge Drive, Suite 200-B, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, on May 19, 2022, at 10:00am, to answer the charges filed against you in the matter now pending before this Board. The Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, charged by law with the licensing of medical doctors in this state, under Title 73, Chapter 25, Mississippi Code (1972), as amended, charges that you, a physician duly licensed under the authority of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure and laws of the State of Mississippi, are guilty of having been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, and are guilty of unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, being guilty of any dishonorable or unethical conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public. Under Subsections (6) and (8)(d) of Section 73-25-29 and 73-25-83(a) Mississippi Code (1972),\_Annotated, as amended, such acts constitute grounds for the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure to place your license on probation, the terms of which may be set by the Board, suspend your right to practice for a time deemed proper by the Board, revoke your Mississippi medical

license or take any other action in relation to your license as the Board may deem proper under the circumstances.

The Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure further advises that you have a right to be present at the hearing, to be represented by counsel, to produce witnesses or evidence on your behalf, to cross-examine witnesses and to have subpoenas issued by this Board.

You are further advised that, pursuant to the Board's Rules of Procedure, you must file an answer or response to this Summons/Affidavit within fifteen (15) days of the date you receive the same or all matters asserted therein shall be deemed admitted. A full text of the Board's Rules of Procedure can be found at the Board's website [www.msbml.ms.gov](http://www.msbml.ms.gov) or can be obtained from the Board office.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE** this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ken Cleveland", written over a horizontal line.

Kenneth E. Cleveland, M.D.  
Executive Director  
Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure

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**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

**COUNTY OF HINDS**

**AFFIDAVIT**

I, Bryson Pickens, Investigator, Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, hereinafter referred to as the "Board," do hereby make oath that I have reason to believe and do believe:

1. That **David Ari Lapidés, M.D.**, hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is a physician licensed to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi, currently holding License No. 28450, said number valid until June 30, 2022.
2. That on February 22, 2022, Licensee contacted the Board to self-report a criminal conviction in the state of Virginia.
3. That on March 3, 2022, Licensee provided case documents via email identifying that he entered a plea of guilty to two (2) felony charges of possession, reproduction, distribution, solicitation, and facilitation of child pornography in the state of Virginia.
4. That on March 14, 2022, Licensee was emailed a copy of a Surrender, along with a Cover Letter, for his consideration. Said Surrender and Cover Letter was also

sent via U.S.P.S. Certified Mail on March 15, 2022. However, Licensee did not respond by the specified date.

5. That on April 1, 2022, the Board received an email from Licensee advising that “I wish to have the opportunity to participate in a hearing to discuss my medical license. I appreciate your time and understanding.”

**COUNT I**

**Based upon the foregoing, Licensee is guilty of having been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, a certified copy of the conviction order or judgement rendered by the trial court being prima facie evidence thereof, notwithstanding the pendency of any appeal, all in violation of Miss. Code Ann., § 73-25-29(6).**

**COUNT II**

**Based upon the foregoing, Licensee is guilty of unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, being guilty of any dishonorable or unethical conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, all in violation of Miss. Code Ann., §§ 73-25-29(8)(d) and 73-25-83(a).**



**Bryson Pickens, Investigator  
Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure**

**SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.**

*Frances E. Carrillo*

Notary Public



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Bryson Pickens, do hereby certify that I have this date served true and correct copies of the following documents: 1. Surrender; 2. Cover Letter; 3. Affidavit; and 4. Summons. Service was performed directly to David Ari Lapides, M.D., via email sent to dlapides@gmail.com on April 18, 2022, at 12:09pm. Dr. Lapides confirmed receipt on the same date, at 3:42pm.

**David Ari Lapides, M.D.  
3772 Buck Island Rd.  
Charlottesville, VA 22902**

Dated this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Investigator