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

OF

VINCENT LOTHARIO GRANT, M.D.

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Vincent Lothario Grant, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of License No. 16759, issued May 15, 2000, for the practice of medicine in the state of Mississippi;

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2022, the Board of Medical Examiners for the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the "Montana Board," entered a Final Order accepting the terms enumerated in a Stipulation stating that a Screening Panel for the Montana Board found reasonable cause to believe Licensee violated rules, statutes, and standards applicable to his license. Specifically, the Screening Panel found that Licensee attempted to pursue a relationship with a patient under active care that was more intimate than the standard provider/patient relationship, and that the behavior was outside the generally accepted standards of practice for a physician.

WHEREAS, the disciplinary action taken by the Montana Board against Licensee was for an act or acts that would be grounds for disciplinary action under Mont. Code Ann. §§ 37-1-316(18) and 37-1-312. To avoid a disciplinary hearing, Licensee entered into the Stipulation that provided for certain restrictions to his continued practice of medicine, along with completion of the PROBE: Ethics and Boundaries Program offered by the Center for Personalized Education for Professionals (CPEP);

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-25-29(9) (1972), the aforementioned actions by the Montana Board constitute restrictions against Licensee's ability to practice 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, it is the desire of Licensee to avoid an evidentiary hearing before the Board and, in lieu thereof, has agreed to enter into this Consent Order, thereby admitting the facts and allegations set forth herein, subject to the terms, conditions and restrictions as specified below.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure, with consent of Licensee as signified by his joinder herein, takes the following actions regarding Licensee's ability to practice medicine in the state of Mississippi, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Licensee is hereby formally REPRIMANDED.
- 2. Licensee must comply with all requirements set forth in the Montana Final Order and Stipulation. Licensee shall provide proof of the successful completion of the CPEP coursework enumerated in same to the Board's Compliance Officer. Licensee agrees to execute any and all releases such that the Board may obtain any necessary information related to the CPEP coursework.

- 3. In accordance with the terms of the Montana Final Order and Stipulation, Licensee is permanently prohibited in Mississippi from engaging in the following conduct related to his medical practice:
 - a. Engaging in a romantic or sexual relationship with a patient or former patient; and
 - b. Communicating with a patient using personal devices, such as his personal telephone, personal electronic mail address, and personal social media accounts.
- 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.
- 5. Licensee understands and expressly acknowledges that, should Licensee challenge or dispute any provision or statement in this agreement during the Board approval process, this Consent Order will automatically be rendered null and void, formal charges will be brought, and this matter shall be set for a full evidentiary hearing at the convenience of the Board.

Should the Board hereafter receive documented evidence of Licensee violating any of the terms and conditions of this Consent Order, or of any further action(s) taken related to the facts and terms stated herein, 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.

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 Federation of State Medical Boards, 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, Vincent Lothario Grant, M.D., nonetheless,

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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 12 day of DECEMBER, 2022.

Vincent Lothario Grant, M.D.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED this the 19th, day of January, 2023, by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.

William David McClendon, M.D. Board President