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Re: Ernesto Torres, M.D.
Case No.: 2219-0183
License No.: D23651

Dear Dr. Torres and Counsel:

On May 28, 2019, Disciplinary Panel A of the Maryland State Board of Physicians issued an **ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE** in this case, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., State Gov't § 10-226(c)(2)(i) (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2018 Supp.). Dr. Torres was given an opportunity to attend a post-deprivation hearing before Disciplinary Panel A to show cause why that suspension should not be continued on June 12, 2019. Dr. Torres attended the hearing and was represented by counsel, Margaret Teahan. The State was represented by Michael Brown, Administrative Prosecutor. At the hearing, Dr. Torres agreed that his license should remain suspended at the present time, and therefore, neither party presented any arguments in opposition to the continuance of the summary suspension.

After considering the presentations of the parties at the hearing and the investigative file, Disciplinary Panel A determined that it would continue the summary suspension imposed on May 28, 2019. The order of summary suspension is thus reaffirmed and will continue. COMAR 10.32.02.08H(1).

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Under the Board's regulations, Dr. Torres has the right to request a full evidentiary hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. This request will be granted if the Board receives a written request for a hearing within **TEN (10)** days of the date of this letter. Any request for a hearing

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should be sent to Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director, at the Board's address. If such a hearing is requested, the regulations require that an Administrative Law Judge set the hearing to begin within 30 days of the request, *see* COMAR 10.32.02.08 I, though that 30-day requirement may be waived.

This letter constitutes an order of the Board through Disciplinary Panel A resulting from formal disciplinary action and is therefore a public document.

Sincerely yours,

Signature on File

Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director
Maryland State Board of Physicians