

**IN THE MATTER OF**

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**BEFORE THE**

**AMILE A. KORANGY, M.D.**

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**MARYLAND STATE**

**Respondent**

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**BOARD OF PHYSICIANS**

**License Number: D27704**

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**Case Number: 7714-0060B**

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**CONSENT ORDER**

On November 21, 2018, Disciplinary Panel B ("Panel B") of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the "Board") charged Amile A. Korangy, M.D. (the "Respondent"), License Number D27704, with violating a condition of probation set forth in the June 2, 2014 *Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation* ("2014 Probation Order") in Board Case Numbers 7714-0060 and 2014-0167 and the Maryland Medical Practice Act (the "Act"), Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(3)(ii) (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2017 Supp.)

The Respondent was charged under the following provisions of the Act and the 2014 Probation Order:

Health Occ § 14-404:

(a) Subject to the hearing provisions of § 14-405 of this subtitle, a disciplinary panel, on the affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum of the disciplinary panel, may reprimand any licensee, place any licensee on probation, or suspend or revoke a license if the licensee:

(3) Is guilty of:

(ii) Unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine

2014 Probation Order:

6. Dr. Korangy shall comply with the Maryland Medical Practice Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 14-101 – 14-702, and all

laws and regulations governing the practice of medicine in Maryland...

On March 24, 2019, Panel B was convened as a Disciplinary Committee for Case Resolution (“DCCR”) in this matter. Based on negotiations occurring as a result of this DCCR, the Respondent agreed to enter into this Consent Order, consisting of Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

Panel B finds the following:

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent, was and is licensed to practice medicine in the State of Maryland. The Respondent was originally licensed to practice medicine in Maryland on March 16, 1982. On November 5, 2013, the Respondent’s license to practice medicine was summarily suspended. His suspension was terminated on June 2, 2014. The Respondent’s license is active through September 30, 2020.
2. The Respondent is board-certified in radiology.
3. The Respondent has worked at a clinic (the “Clinic”)<sup>1</sup> located in Maryland from early 2016 until the present. The Clinic is dedicated to treating erectile dysfunction and providing testosterone injection therapy.

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<sup>1</sup> For confidentiality and privacy reasons, the names of offices, complainants, clients, staff or other individuals referenced in this document will not be identified by name. The Respondent may obtain the identify of any individual or entity referenced herein by contacting the assigned administrative prosecutor.

## **I. Prior Disciplinary History**

4. On August 19, 2013, the Board received a complaint from a physician whose office was located near the Respondent's office who reported concerns that the Respondent, a radiologist, with no radiology equipment in his office, provided pain management services to patients usually less than 30 years old. The complainant further alleged that the patients did not appear to be in pain and generally appeared to be the type of individuals who would abuse opiates.

5. After conducting an investigation into the Respondent's prescribing practices, the Board issued a Cease and Desist Order on October 28, 2013, ordering the Respondent to immediately cease and desist from prescribing controlled dangerous substances ("CDS") in the State of Maryland.

6. On November 5, 2013, the Board summarily suspended the Respondent's license to practice medicine and on November 12, 2013, charged him with violation of the Act based on an investigation that found that the Respondent was prescribing CDS for illegal or illegitimate purposes and that he posed a risk of serious harm to the health safety, or public welfare.

7. As a resolution of the Summary Suspension and Charges, the Respondent entered into a public Consent Order with the Board on March 14, 2014. Under the Consent Order, Panel B concluded that the Respondent violated § 14-404(a)(3)(ii) and (27) of the Health Occupations Article, and, as a sanction, the Panel suspended the Respondent's license to practice medicine in Maryland for six months. The Respondent also agreed to

permanently cease practicing pain management and prescribing opioid medications. The Panel further ordered the Respondent to pay a \$5,000 fine and to enroll in a medical ethics tutorial and a medical record-keeping course. Pursuant to the 2014 Probation Order, the Panel terminated the Respondent's suspension and placed him on probation for a minimum of three years subject to certain terms and conditions, including:

Dr. Korangy shall comply with the Maryland Medical Practice Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 14-101 – 14-702, and all laws and regulations governing the practice of medicine in Maryland...

8. The Panel further ordered that:

... if Dr. Korangy violates any term or condition of probation, Disciplinary Panel B, in its discretion, after notice and an opportunity for a show cause hearing before the Board, or an opportunity for an evidentiary hearing before an Administrative Law Judge at the Office of Administrative Hearings if there is a genuine dispute as to the underlying material facts, may impose any sanction which the Board may have imposed in this case under §§ 14-404(a) and 14-405.1 of the Health Occupations Article, including further probation and additional conditions of probation, a reprimand, further suspension, revocation and/or a monetary fine

2014 Probation Order at 3.

## **II. Current Complaint**

9. On or about December 20, 2017, the Board received a phone call from a pharmacy in Florida reporting that the Respondent was attempting to order testosterone and that they were unable to verify his U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration ("DEA") registration.

10. The Board contacted the DEA and was informed that the Respondent's DEA registration expired on November 16, 2017. The Respondent submitted an application to renew his DEA registration, but he failed to provide additional documentation requested by the DEA, and his registration was therefore not renewed.

11. On or about January 4, 2018, the Board was contacted by an employee of the Clinic who informed the Board that the Respondent was prescribing testosterone without a DEA registration.

12. In response to the January 4, 2018 complaint, Board staff conducted two site visits to the Clinic and subpoenaed pharmacy and patient records.

13. The Board's investigation revealed that the Respondent prescribed testosterone on at least two occasions when he did not have a valid DEA registration.

14. The Respondent's actions, as described above, constitute, in whole or in part, a violation of probationary condition 6 in his 2014 Probation Order and unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, in violation of Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(3)(ii).

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, Panel B concludes as a matter of law that that the Respondent is guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, in violation of Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(3)(ii); and violated Probationary Condition 6 of the probation imposed under the June 2, 2014 Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation.

## **ORDER**

Based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is, on the affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum of Disciplinary Panel B, **HEREBY**:

**ORDERED** that the Respondent is **REPRIMANDED**; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the Respondent shall permanently cease practicing pain medicine/pain management and shall permanently cease prescribing, dispensing, administering, or giving away any opioid or benzodiazepine medicine to any patient or individual; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the Board will issue administrative subpoenas to the Maryland Prescription Drug Monitoring Program ("PDMP") for the Respondent's CDS prescriptions; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the Respondent is permanently prohibited from having any professional association or professional relationship with, or provide any medical/surgical services on behalf of, Atlantic Rehabilitation Services or any health care entity or facility that has a direct or indirect relationship with Michael Korangy or any other family members or relatives of such family members; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the probation ordered pursuant to the Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation, issued on June 2, 2014, is terminated; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the Respondent is placed on **PROBATION**<sup>2</sup> until he complies with the following probationary conditions:

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<sup>2</sup> While the Respondent's probation from the June 2, 2014 order is terminated, the Respondent is placed on probation anew, pursuant to the terms of this Consent Order. If the Respondent's license expires while the Respondent is on

1. The Respondent shall successfully complete a Board disciplinary panel-approved course in prescription writing;
2. It is the Respondent's responsibility to locate, enroll in and obtain the disciplinary panel's approval of the course before the course has begun;
3. The disciplinary panel will not accept a course taken over the Internet;
4. The course may not be used to fulfill the continuing medical education credits required for license renewal; and
5. The Respondent must provide documentation to the Board that he has successfully completed the course; and it is further

**ORDERED** that a violation of probation shall be deemed a violation of this Consent Order; and it is further

**ORDERED** that, upon submission of the relevant documentation to the Board that the Respondent has successfully completed the ordered course, the Respondent may submit a written petition to the Board for termination of probation. After consideration of the petition, the probation may be administratively terminated through an order of the disciplinary panel. The disciplinary panel will grant the petition to terminate the probation if the Respondent has complied with all of the probationary terms and conditions of this Consent Order and there are no pending complaints related to the charges; and it is further

**ORDERED** that, if the Respondent allegedly fails to comply with any term or condition imposed in this Consent Order, the Respondent shall be given notice and an

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probation, the probationary period and any probationary conditions will be tolled.

opportunity for a hearing. If there is a genuine dispute as to a material fact, the hearing shall be before an Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings followed by an exceptions process before a disciplinary panel or the Board; and if there is no genuine dispute as to a material fact, the Respondent shall be given a show cause hearing before a disciplinary panel; and it is further

**ORDERED** that after the appropriate hearing, the disciplinary panel determines that the Respondent has failed to comply with any term or condition of this Consent Order, the disciplinary panel may reprimand the Respondent, place the Respondent on further probation with appropriate probationary terms and conditions, or suspend or revoke the Respondent's license to practice medicine in Maryland. The disciplinary panel may, in addition to one or more of the sanctions set forth above, impose a civil monetary fine upon the Respondent; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the Respondent is responsible for all costs incurred in fulfilling the terms and conditions of this Consent Order; and it is further

**ORDERED** The Respondent shall comply with the Maryland Medical Practice Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §§ 14-101—14-702, and all federal and state laws and regulations governing the practice of medicine in Maryland; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the effective date of the Consent Order is the date the Consent Order is signed by the Executive Director of the Board. The Executive Director signs the Consent Order on behalf of the disciplinary panel which has imposed the terms and conditions of this Consent Order; and



**ORDERED** that this Consent Order is a public document pursuant to Md. Code  
Ann., Gen. Prov. §§ 4–101 *et seq.*

05/15/2019  
Date

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

## CONSENT

I, Amile Korangy, acknowledge that I am represented by counsel and have consulted with counsel before signing this document.

By this Consent, I agree to be bound by this Consent Order and all its terms and conditions and understand that the disciplinary panel will not entertain any request for amendments or modifications to any condition.

I assert that I am aware of my right to a formal evidentiary hearing, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 14-405 and Md. Code Ann., State Gov't §§ 10-201 *et seq.* concerning the pending charges. I waive these rights and have elected to sign this Consent Order instead.

I acknowledge the validity and enforceability of this Consent Order as if entered after the conclusion of a formal evidentiary hearing in which I would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on their behalf, and to all other substantive and procedural protections as provided by law. I waive those procedural and substantive protections. I acknowledge the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the disciplinary panel to initiate these proceedings and to issue and enforce this Consent Order.

I voluntarily enter into and agree to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the Consent Order as a resolution of the charges. I waive any right to contest the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and Order set out in the Consent Order. I waive all rights to appeal this Consent Order.

I sign this Consent Order, without reservation, and fully understand the language and meaning of its terms.

***Signature on File***

5/8/19  
Date

Amile A. Korangy, M.D.

NOTARY

STATE OF: Maryland

CITY/COUNTY OF: Baltimore

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019,  
before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, personally appeared  
Amile A. Korangy, M.D. and made oath in due form of law that the foregoing Consent  
Order was his voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS, my hand and Notary Seal.



Dawn M. Sydes  
Notary Public

My commission expires: 10/28/2021