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Re: Jackie Allen Syme, Jr., M.D.

Case No.: 2222-0100 License No.: D44476

Dear Dr. Syme and Counsel:

On March 29, 2022, Disciplinary Panel A of the Maryland State Board of Physicians issued an **ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE** in this case, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., State Gov't § 10-226(c)(2). On April 13, 2022, Dr. Syme was given an opportunity to attend a post-deprivation hearing before Disciplinary Panel A to show cause why that suspension should not be continued. Dr. Syme attended the hearing on that date and was represented by counsel, Barry C. Goldstein, Esquire. The State was represented by Robert J. Gilbert, Deputy Counsel, Administrative Prosecutor. Both parties presented oral arguments at the post-deprivation hearing.

After consideration of the parties' presentations, Disciplinary Panel A determined, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the health, safety, and welfare of the public imperatively required the disciplinary panel to summarily suspend Dr. Syme's license and there exists a substantial risk of serious harm to the public health, safety, and welfare in Dr. Syme's continued practice. Disciplinary Panel A thus will not lift the summary suspension order, and the summary suspension imposed on March 29, 2022 is reaffirmed and continues in effect. *See* COMAR 10.32.02.08H(1).

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NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Under the Board regulations, Dr. Syme has the right to request a full evidentiary hearing before an Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings. This request will be granted if the Board receives a written request for the hearing within **TEN** (10) days of the date of this letter. Any request for a hearing should be sent to Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director, Maryland Board of Physicians, 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21215. If Dr. Syme requests such a hearing, the regulations require that an Administrative Law Judge set the hearing to begin within 30 days of the request, *see* COMAR 10.32.02.08I, though Dr. Syme may waive that 30-day requirement.

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