July 27, 2018

Brandt E. Rice, M.D.

Re: Brandt Eric Rice, M.D. Case No.: 2218-0156B License No.: D66068

Dear Dr. Rice:

On June 15, 2018, Disciplinary Panel B of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the "Board") 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). The post-deprivation hearing was scheduled for June 27, 2018, before Panel B.

At the request of Dr. Rice, through his counsel, the post-deprivation hearing, scheduled for June 27, 2018, was postponed. The hearing was rescheduled for July 25, 2018. On July 20, 2018, Dr. Rice, through his counsel, requested another postponement, asking for the hearing to be rescheduled for mid-December 2018. On July 23, 2018, Dr. Rice's postponement request was denied.

On July 25, 2018, Disciplinary Panel B held a post-deprivation hearing. Dr. Rice did not attend. He was represented by counsel, who appeared at the hearing before Panel B. The State was represented by Janet Klein Brown, Assistant Attorney General, Administrative Prosecutor. Both parties presented oral argument at the hearing. Dr. Rice's counsel offered 10 exhibits, which were admitted, and argued that the panel should reconsider the denial of his postponement request and hold the post-deprivation hearing in December 2018.

After consideration of the presentations of the parties, Disciplinary Panel B of the Board denied reconsideration of the postponement denial and determined that it would continue the summary suspension it imposed on June 15, 2018. Disciplinary Panel B thus will not lift the order of summary suspension. Disciplinary Panel B finds that the public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires the summary suspension of Dr. Rice's license. See State Gov't § 10-226(c)(2)(i). The order of summary suspension is thus reaffirmed and continues. See COMAR 10.32.02.08H(1). Board counsel verbally informed Dr. Rice's attorney and the administrative prosecutor of the panel's decision immediately following the hearing.

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## NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Under the Board's regulations, COMAR 10.32.02.08I - J, Dr. Rice has the right to request a full evidentiary hearing before an Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings. To receive the evidentiary hearing, Dr. Rice or his counsel must file the request for the hearing within **10 days** of the date of this letter. The request for the hearing shall be filed with Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director, at 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21215. If the hearing is timely requested, the hearing will be set within 30 days of the request, see COMAR 10.32.02.08I, though the 30-day time period may be waived.

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

Sincerely,

Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director

Maryland State Board of Physicians

cc: Stephen C. Glassman, Esquire

Janet Klein Brown, Assistant Attorney General