IN THE MATTER OF

BEFORE THE MARYLAND

NADEEM GUL QAZI, M.D.

\* STATE BOARD OF

Respondent

PHYSICIANS

License Number: D69099 \* Case Number: 2221-0077

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### **CONSENT ORDER**

### **PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND**

Based on information received regarding the Application for Reinstatement of Nadeem Gul Qazi, MD (the "Applicant"), Disciplinary Panel B of the Maryland Board of Physicians (the "Maryland Board") has grounds to deny the reinstatement application under the Maryland Medical Practice Act (the "Act"), Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §§14-101 et seq. (2014 Repl. Vol. and 2019 Supp.) Prior to the issuance of a Notice of Intent to Deny Application for Reinstatement of Medical License, the Applicant agrees to enter into this public Consent Order, which consists of Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order and Consent.

Specifically, Disciplinary Panel B has grounds to deny the reinstatement application pursuant to the following pertinent provisions of the Act:

Health Occ. §14-205. Miscellaneous powers and duties.

- (b) Additional powers.
  - (3) Subject to the Administrative Procedure Act and the hearing provisions of §14-405 of this title, a disciplinary panel may ... refuse to renew or reinstate an applicant's license for:
    - (i) Any of the reasons that are grounds for action under §14-404 of this title[.]

Health Occ. §14-404. Denials, reprimands, suspensions and revocations – Grounds.

- (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:
  - (21) Is disciplined by a licensing or disciplinary authority or convicted or disciplined by a court of any state or country or disciplined by any branch of the United States uniformed services or the Veteran's Administration for an act that would be grounds for disciplinary action under this section[.]

- (3) Is guilty of:
  - (ii) Unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine[.]

# FINDINGS OF FACT

Panel B makes the following findings of fact:

- On or about July 28, 2020, the Applicant submitted to the Maryland Board an Application for Reinstatement of Medical License to practice medicine in Maryland. The Applicant was initially licensed by the Maryland Board on April 29, 2009 under license number D69099 which expired September 30, 2017.
- 2. In his Application for Reinstatement, the Applicant answered "yes" to the following character and fitness question:
  - c. Has any licensing or disciplinary board in any jurisdiction (including Maryland, a comparable body in the armed services or the Veterans Administration, filed any complaints or charges against you or investigated you for any reason?
- 3. Based on the Applicant's affirmative response in this Application, the Maryland Board initiated an investigation of the Applicant.
- 4. By Consent Order entered August 12, 2020, the Virginia Board of Medicine found that the Applicant, as medical director of a Virginia hospice facility, presigned blank prescriptions and left them with a nurse, who was the Director of Operations. Approximately 9 blank prescriptions were located in a desk drawer, all signed by the Applicant. Five of the scripts were completely blank, other than the signature, and the other four were written for morphine sulfate solution 30 cc (no date or patient name listed). The Applicant was subsequently terminated from employment. The Virginia Board of Medicine reprimanded the Applicant.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, Disciplinary Panel B concludes as a matter of law that the Applicant was disciplined by a licensing or disciplinary authority for acts that, if committed in Maryland, would be grounds for disciplinary action under Health Occ. §14-404(a), in violation of Health Occ. §14-404(a)(21). The underlying grounds for action under Health Occ. §14-404(a)(21), if committed in Maryland, include the following provision of Health Occ. §14-404(a): (3)(ii) is guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine.

### ORDER

It is, thus, by Disciplinary Panel B, hereby:

**ORDERED** that the Application for Reinstatement of Medical License of Nadeem Gul Qazi, MD is hereby **GRANTED**; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the medical license of Nadeem Gul Qazi, MD to practice medicine in the State of Maryland be and is hereby **REINSTATED**; and it is further

**ORDERED** that Nadeem Gul Qazi, MD be and is hereby **REPRIMANDED**; 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 or her designee; and it is further

ORDERED that this Consent Order is a public document. See Health Occ. §§1-607, 14-411.1(b)(2) and Gen. Prov. §4-333(b)(6).

05/21/2021 Date Signature on File

Christine A. Farrelly

**Executive Director** 

Maryland Board of Physicians

I, Nadeem Gul Qazi, MD, acknowledge that I am aware of my right to consult with and be represented by counsel in considering this Consent Order. I have chosen to proceed without counsel and I acknowledge that the decision to proceed without counsel is freely and voluntarily made.

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 this right 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 my 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

**NOTARY** 

CITY/COUNTY OF

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 19th day of 100, 2021, before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, personally Nadeem Gul Qazi, MD, and made oath in due form of law that the foregoing Consent Order was his voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and notarial seal.

My Commission expires: 12/31/2021

VANESSA JOCELYN FERRUFINO NOTARY PUBLIC COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES DEC. 31, 2021

**COMMISSION # 7715040**