

**IN THE MATTER OF**

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**BEFORE THE**

**ALPHONSUS E. OKOLI, M.D.**

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**MARYLAND STATE**

**Respondent**

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**BOARD OF PHYSICIANS**

**License Number: D73032**

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**Case Number: 7722-0027**

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**ORDER TERMINATING PROBATION**

On March 23, 2021, Disciplinary Panel B (the “Panel”) of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the “Board”) and Alphonsus E. Okoli, M.D., entered into a Consent Order wherein the Panel concluded, as a matter of law, that Dr. Okoli had violated the June 21, 2018 Consent Order, was guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, failed to meet appropriate standards for the delivery of quality medical and/or surgical care, failed to keep adequate medical records, and violated any rule or regulation adopted by the Board pertaining to the practice of medicine. The Consent Order permanently prohibited Dr. Okoli from prescribing and dispensing all Controlled Dangerous Substances (“CDS”), permanently prohibited him from certifying patients for the medical use of cannabis, suspended his license for a minimum of six (6) months, and required that he successfully complete a course on medical documentation. The March 23, 2021 Consent Order also outlined terms and conditions for probation if the suspension were to be terminated.

On September 29, 2021, the Panel issued an Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation<sup>1</sup> that terminated the suspension imposed by the March 23, 2021 Consent Order, placed Dr. Okoli on probation for a minimum of two (2) years, maintained the permanent prohibitions, and

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<sup>1</sup> The June 21, 2018 Consent Order, March 23, 2021 Consent Order, and September 29, 2021 Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation are incorporated by reference and available upon request.

required that he pay a fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) within two (2) years. Two (2) years have passed and Dr. Okoli has paid the fine. It is thus hereby

**ORDERED** that the probation imposed by the September 29, 2021 Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation is **TERMINATED**; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the permanent prohibitions on prescribing and dispensing all CDS and certifying patients for the medical use of cannabis remain in effect; and it is further

**ORDERED** that on every January 31<sup>st</sup> thereafter if Dr. Okoli holds a Maryland medical license, he shall provide the Board with an affidavit verifying that he has not prescribed or dispensed CDS in the past year and that he has not certified patients for the medical use of cannabis; and it is further

**ORDERED** that if Dr. Okoli fails to provide the required annual verification of compliance with one or both of these conditions:

- (1) There is a presumption that he has violated this permanent condition(s); and
- (2) The alleged violation will be adjudicated pursuant to the procedures of a Show Cause Hearing; and it is further

**ORDERED** that this is a public document.

*Signature On File*

10/17/2023  
Date

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Ellen Douglas Smith  
Deputy Director  
Maryland State Board of Physicians