

Eugene Kermisch, RCP

Date: August 20, 2019

Damean Freas, Chair
Disciplinary Panel B
Maryland State Board of Physicians
4201 Patterson Avenue, 4th Floor
Baltimore, MD 21215-2299

Re: Surrender of License to Practice Respiratory Care
Eugene Kermisch, RCP License Number: L04784
Case Number: 2019-1009

Dear Dr. Freas and Members of the Disciplinary Panel B,

Please be advised that, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. ("Health Occ.") §14-403 (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2017 Supp.), I have decided to **SURRENDER** my license to practice respiratory care in the State of Maryland, License Number L04784, effective immediately. I understand that upon surrender of my license, I may not give advice or treatment to any individual, with or without compensation, and cannot engage in the practice of respiratory care in the State of Maryland as it is defined in the Maryland Respiratory Care Practitioners Act (the "Act"), Health Occ. §§ 14-5A-01 *et seq.* and other applicable laws. In other words, as of the effective date of this Letter of Surrender, I understand that the surrender of my license means that I am in the same position as an unlicensed individual in the State of Maryland.

I understand that this Letter of Surrender is a **PUBLIC DOCUMENT**, and upon Disciplinary Panel B's ("Panel B") acceptance, becomes a **FINAL ORDER** of Panel B of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the "Board").

I acknowledge that the Board opened up an investigation regarding my failure to disclose previous criminal history on my initial application for licensure and five subsequent renewal applications. I have decided to surrender my license to practice respiratory care in the State of Maryland to avoid further investigation and prosecution of these allegations. I recognize that for all purposes relevant to medical licensure that these allegations shall be treated as proven and that these allegations support a conclusion that I violated Health Occ. § 14-5A-17(10) (willfully fails to file or record any report as required under law, willfully impedes or obstructs the filing or recording of a report, or induces another to fail to file or record a report).

I wish to make it clear that I have voluntarily, knowingly and freely chosen to submit this Letter of Surrender to avoid the issuance of charges and prosecution of the aforementioned allegations. I do not wish to contest these allegations. I understand that

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by executing this Letter of Surrender I am waiving my right to contest any charges that would issue from Panel B's investigative findings in a formal evidentiary hearing at which I would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my own behalf and all other substantive and procedural protections provided by law, including the right to appeal to circuit court.

I understand that the Board will advise the Federation of State Medical Boards and the National Practitioner Data Bank of this Letter of Surrender. I also understand that in the event I would apply for licensure in any form in any other state or jurisdiction that this Letter of Surrender may be released or published by the Board to the same extent as a final order that would result from disciplinary action, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. §§ 4-101 *et seq.* (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2017 Supp.), and that this Letter of Surrender constitutes a disciplinary action by Panel B.

I further recognize and agree that by submitting this Letter of Surrender, my license will remain surrendered unless and until the Board grants reinstatement. In the event that I apply for reinstatement of my Maryland License, I understand that Panel B or its successor is not required to grant reinstatement; and, if it does grant reinstatement, may impose any terms and conditions the disciplinary panel considers appropriate for public safety and the protection of the integrity and reputation of the profession. I further understand that if I ever file a petition for reinstatement, I will approach Panel B or its successor in the same position as an individual whose license has been revoked.

I acknowledge that I may not rescind this Letter of Surrender in part or in its entirety for any reason whatsoever. Finally, I wish to make clear that I have been advised of my right to be represented by an attorney of my choice throughout proceedings before Panel B, including the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this Letter of Surrender. I have knowingly and willfully waived my right to be represented by an attorney before signing this letter surrendering my license to practice respiratory care in Maryland. I understand both the nature of Panel B's actions and this Letter of Surrender fully. I acknowledge that I understand and comprehend the language, meaning and terms and effect of this Letter of Surrender. I make this decision knowingly and voluntarily.

Very truly yours,

Signature on File

Eugene Kermisch, RCP

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NOTARY

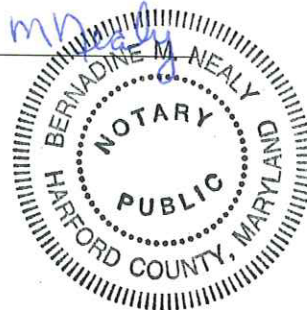
STATE OF Maryland
CITY/COUNTY OF Hereford

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 20 day of August, 2019 before me, a Notary Public of the City/County aforesaid, personally appeared Eugene Kermisch, RCP, and declared and affirmed under the penalties of perjury that the signing of this Letter of Surrender was voluntary.

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial seal.

Bernadine M. Nealy
Notary Public

My commission expires: May 10, 2020



ACCEPTANCE

On behalf of Disciplinary Panel B, on this 29th day of August, 2019, I, Christine A. Farrelly, accept the **PUBLIC SURRENDER** of Eugene Kermisch, RCP's license to practice medicine in the State of Maryland.

Signature on File

Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director
Maryland Board of Physicians