

<b>IN THE MATTER OF</b>	*	<b>BEFORE THE</b>
<b>MELISSA D. HARBEN, Perfusionist</b>	*	<b>MARYLAND STATE</b>
<b>Respondent</b>	*	<b>BOARD OF PHYSICIANS</b>
<b>Licensed Number: Y00014</b>	*	<b>Case Number: 7724-0046</b>
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**ORDER TERMINATING PROBATION**

On January 9, 2018, Disciplinary Panel A (the “Panel”) of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the “Board”) accepted the surrender of the Maryland perfusionist license of Melissa D. Harben.

On May 25, 2023, the Board issued an Order on Application for Reinstatement of Perfusionist License After Surrender that reinstated Ms. Harben’s license to practice as a perfusionist in Maryland but immediately suspended her license with certain terms and conditions, including that she enrolls in the Maryland Professional Rehabilitation Program (“MPRP”) to determine her fitness to practice perfusion safely. The Order on Application for Reinstatement of Perfusionist License After Surrender also provided that the suspension of Ms. Harben’s perfusion license would be terminated after an evaluation by MPRP and/or its agents is complete and after the Panel determines that she is safe to return to the practice of perfusion.

On December 15, 2023, after determining that Ms. Harben was safe to return to the practice of perfusion in Maryland, the Panel issued an Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation<sup>1</sup> that terminated the suspension imposed under the May 25, 2023 Order on Application for Reinstatement of Perfusion License After Surrender, placed Ms. Harben on probation for a

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<sup>1</sup> The January 9, 2018 Letter of Surrender, May 25, 2023 Order on Application for Reinstatement of Perfusionist License After Surrender, and December 15, 2023 Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation are incorporated by reference and available by request.

minimum period of nine (9) months with certain terms and conditions, including that she remain enrolled in and comply with all referrals and recommendations made by MPRP.

Ms. Harben has fully and satisfactorily complied with all of the terms and conditions of probation imposed by the December 15, 2023, Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation, and nine (9) months have passed.

It is thus, by the Panel, herby

**ORDERED** that the probation and probationary terms and conditions imposed by the December 15, 2023 Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation are **TERMINATED** and it is further

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

09/19/2024  
Date

***Signature On File***

Christine A. Farrelly  
Executive Director  
Maryland State Board of Physicians