

**IN THE MATTER OF**  
**HAIDER ALLAWI, RPSGT**  
**Respondent**

**License Number Z0000622**

**\* BEFORE THE**  
**\* MARYLAND STATE**  
**\* BOARD OF PHYSICIANS**  
**\* Case Number: 2224-0168**

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**CONSENT ORDER**

On or about January 22, 2024, Disciplinary Panel B (“Panel B”) of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the “Board”) opened an investigation of **HAIDER ALLAWI, Registered Polysomnographic Technologist** (the “Respondent”), under the Maryland Polysomnography Act (the “Act”), codified at Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. (“Health Occ.”) §§ 14-5C-01 *et seq.* (2021 Repl. Vol. & 2023 Supp.).

Based on its investigation, the Board has grounds to charge the Respondent under the following provisions of the Act:

**Health Occ. § 14-5C-01. Definitions.**

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(f)(1) “Practice polysomnography” means:

- (i) Monitoring and recording physiologic data during sleep, including sleep-related respiratory disturbances under the supervision of a licensed physician; or
- (ii) Using data collected under item (i) of this paragraph for the purposes of assisting a licensed physician in the diagnosis and treatment of sleep and wake disorders.

**Health Occ. § 14-5C-20. Practicing without license prohibited**

Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, a person may not practice, attempt to practice, or offer to practice polysomnography in this State unless licensed to practice polysomnography by the Board.

Prior to Panel B issuing charges, the Respondent agreed to enter into this public consent order with Panel B's approval, consisting of Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

Panel B finds the following:

1. The Respondent is a licensed polysomnographic technologist in the state of Virginia. His license is set to expire on November 30, 2025.

2. On or about November 9, 2023, the Respondent submitted a Polysomnographic Technologist Application for Licensure in Maryland (the "Application").

3. In the Application, the Respondent stated that he was employed as a sleep technologist at an accredited sleep laboratory ("the Sleep Laboratory") in Maryland.

4. As part of the Application process, the Respondent provided the Board a written statement explaining where he completed his clinical hours. The Respondent stated:

The hours were completed with [an accredited sleep laboratory "the Sleep Laboratory"] in [Maryland] under the supervision of a Maryland-licensed RPSGT. I also less-frequently worked at The Sleep Laboratory's other lab[oratory] in... Maryland. I worked 40+ hour weeks over the last year with minimal days off, starting in November 2022...[.]<sup>1</sup>

5. As part of the Application process, the Respondent also submitted multiple documents stating that he, among other things, engaged in a "comprehensive training program as a polysomnographic technologist" with the Sleep Laboratory in Maryland

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<sup>1</sup> The Respondent does not qualify for the student exception as described in COMAR 10.32.06.05(B)(1). In the Application, the Respondent stated that he graduated from his polysomnographic educational program in 2013 such that he does not qualify as a "student", as defined in COMAR 10.32.06.03(B)(18)(a).

during which time he practiced polysomnography.

6. The Respondent, thus, engaged in the unauthorized practice of polysomnography without a license in Maryland, from approximately November 2022 until November 2023.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact, Disciplinary Panel B concludes that the Respondent engaged in the unlicensed practiced of polysomnography in Maryland, in violation of Health Occ. § 14-5C-20.

### **ORDER**

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

**ORDERED** that, within **1 YEAR** of the effective date of this Consent Order, the Respondent shall pay a **civil fine of \$1,500** by bank certified check or money order made payable to the Maryland Board of Physicians, P.O. Box 37217, Baltimore, Maryland 21297. The Board will not renew or reinstate the Respondent's license if the Respondent fails to timely pay the fine to the Board; 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. The Executive Director or her designee signs the Consent Order on behalf of the disciplinary panel which has imposed the terms and conditions of this Consent Order, 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).

08/02/2024  
Date

## *Signature On File*

Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director  
Maryland State Board of Physicians

### **CONSENT**

I, Haider Allawi, registered polysomnographic technologist, assert that I am aware of my right to consult with and be represented by counsel in considering this Consent Order and in any proceedings that would otherwise result from the charges currently pending. 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.

7/31/2024  
Date

***Signature On File***

Haider Allawi, RPSGT

**NOTARY**

STATE OF Virginia

CITY/COUNTY OF Prince William

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 31 day of July 2024, before me, a Notary Public of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Haider Allawi, registered polysomnographic technologist, gave oath in due form of law that signing the foregoing Consent Order was his voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESSTH my hand and notarial seal.

  
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Notary Public

My commission expires: 9/30/2027

**DAWN L. CAMPBELL**  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES SEPT. 30, 2027  
COMMISSION # 7132952