

Sherri L. Passarell, M.D.

Date: July 11, 2018

Arun Bhandari, Chair
Disciplinary Panel A
Maryland State Board of Physicians
4201 Patterson Avenue, 4th Floor
Baltimore, MD 21215-2299

Re: Permanent Surrender of License to Practice Medicine
Sherri L. Passarell, M.D., License Number: D66341
Case Number: 2218-0266A

Dear Dr. Bhandari and Members of the Disciplinary Panel A,

Please be advised that, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. (“Health Occ.”) §14-403 (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2017 Supp.), I have decided to **PERMANENTLY SURRENDER** my license to practice medicine in the State of Maryland, License Number D66341, effective immediately. I understand that upon surrender of my license, I may not give medical advice or treatment to any individual, with or without compensation, and cannot prescribe medications or otherwise engage in the practice of medicine in the State of Maryland as it is defined in the Maryland Medical Practice Act (the “Act”), Health Occ. §§ 14-101 *et seq.* and other applicable laws. In other words, as of the effective date of this Permanent Letter of Surrender, I understand that the permanent 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 Permanent Letter of Surrender is a **PUBLIC DOCUMENT**, and upon Disciplinary Panel A’s (“Panel A”) acceptance, becomes a **FINAL ORDER** of Panel A of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the “Board”).

I acknowledge that the Board received a complaint regarding my fitness to practice medicine and initiated an investigation into the allegations. On June 26, 2018, based on the Board’s investigation, Panel A issued an Order for Summary Suspension, concluding that the public health, safety or welfare imperatively required emergency action. On July 5, 2018, Panel A issued disciplinary charges against me under Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(4) (professionally, mentally, or physically incompetent). I have decided to permanently surrender my license to practice medicine in the State of Maryland to resolve the summary suspension and avoid further investigation and prosecution of the disciplinary charges due to my health condition. I recognize that for all purposes relevant to medical licensure that the charges shall be treated as proven.

I wish to make it clear that I have voluntarily, knowingly and freely chosen to submit this Permanent Letter of Surrender to resolve the summary suspension and avoid

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further investigation and prosecution of the disciplinary charges. I acknowledge for all purposes related to medical licensure in Maryland, the charges will be treated as if proven.

I understand that by executing this Permanent Letter of Surrender I am waiving my right to a hearing to contest the summary suspension and disciplinary charges. In waiving my right to contest the summary suspension and disciplinary charges, I am also waiving my right to be represented by counsel at the hearing, 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, the National Practitioner Data Bank, and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank of this Permanent 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 Permanent 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 Permanent Letter of Surrender constitutes a disciplinary action by Panel A.

I affirm that I will provide access to and copies of medical records to my patients in compliance with Title 4, subtitle 3 of the Health General Article.

I further recognize and agree that by submitting this Permanent Letter of Surrender, my license in Maryland will remain permanently surrendered. In other words, I agree that I have no right to reapply and will not reapply for a license to practice medicine in the State of Maryland.

I acknowledge that I may not rescind this Permanent 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 A, including the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this Permanent Letter of Surrender. I have knowingly and willfully waived my right to be represented by an attorney before signing this letter permanently surrendering my license to practice medicine in Maryland. I understand both the nature of Panel A's actions and this Permanent Letter of Surrender fully. I acknowledge that I understand and comprehend the language, meaning and terms and effect of this Permanent Letter of Surrender. I make this decision knowingly and voluntarily.

Very truly yours.

Signature on File

Sherri L. Passarell, M.D.

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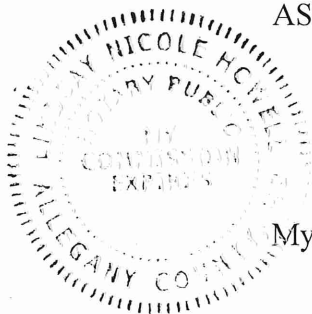
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NOTARY

STATE OF Maryland
CITY/COUNTY OF Allegany

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 11th day of July, 2018 before me, a Notary Public of the City/County aforesaid, personally appeared Sherri L. Passarell, M.D., and declared and affirmed under the penalties of perjury that the signing of this Permanent Letter of Surrender was a voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial seal.



Lindsay Howell
Notary Public

My commission expires: 3.8.22

ACCEPTANCE

6th day of August, 2018

On behalf of Disciplinary Panel A, on this ~~11th~~ day of July, 2018, I, Christine A. Farrelly, accept the **PUBLIC PERMANENT SURRENDER** of Sherri L. Passarell's M.D.'s license to practice medicine in the State of Maryland.

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

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