IN THE MATTER OF

* BEFORE THE

LANA J. SMITH, P.A.

* MARYLAND BOARD

Respondent

* OF PHYSICIANS

CERTIFICATE NUMBER C01876

CASE NUMBER 2007-0220

CONSENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made this <u>20th</u> day of <u>December</u>, 2006, between Lana J. Smith, P.A., (the "Respondent") and the Maryland Board of Physicians (the "Board"):

WHEREAS, the Board received information that the Respondent practiced as a physician assistant in the State of Maryland after her certificate lapsed on June 30, 2005; and

WHEREAS, on or about September 18, 2006, the Board received a request for Reinstatement of Physician Assistant Certification; and

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2006, the Respondent's certificate to practice as a physician assistant in Maryland was reinstated; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that there is a <u>prima facie</u> case to charge the Respondent with practicing as a physician assistant without a certificate, in violation of the Medical Practice Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §15-401;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board finds, and the Respondent agrees as follows:

- 1. The Respondent's physician assistant certificate lapsed on June 30, 2005, and she continued to practice without a certificate issued by the Board in violation of Md. Code Ann. Health Occ. §15-401; and
- 2. The Respondent agrees to pay a fine in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to the Board within fourteen (14) days after the execution of this

Agreement, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §14-607(a)(4) and COMAR 10.32.02.06; and

- 3. This Agreement is a public document pursuant to Md. Code Ann. State Government §10-611 et seq.; and
- 4. If the Board determines that the Respondent has violated any condition of the Order, the Board may impose any additional disciplinary sanctions it deems appropriate; and
- 5. This Agreement will be reported to the Federation of State Medical Boards as an administrative action by the Board but not reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank.

1124-010 Date

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Lana J. Smith, P.A

Harry C. Knipp, M.D. Chair

CONSENT

By this Consent, I hereby accept the conditions and agree to be bound by the foregoing Consent Agreement and its conditions and restrictions.

- 1. By this Consent, I submit to the foregoing Consent Agreement as a resolution of this matter. By signing this Consent, I waive any rights I may have had to contest the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law. I submit to the foregoing Consent Agreement as a resolution of case number 2007-0220.
- 2. I acknowledge the validity of this Consent Agreement as if it were made after a hearing in which I would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses on my own behalf, and to all other substantial procedural protections provided by law.

- 3. I acknowledge the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to initiate case number 2007-0220 and to enter and enforce this Consent Agreement.
- 4. I acknowledge that by entering into this Consent Agreement, I am waiving my right to appeal any adverse ruling of the Board that might have followed an evidentiary hearing.
- 5. I sign this Consent Agreement freely and voluntarily, after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. I fully understand the language, meaning, and effect of this Consent Agreement.

Date 1-24-010

Lana J. Smith, P.A.

STATE OF MARYLAND

CITY/COUNTY OF Montgomery

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day of ______, 2006, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public for the State and City/County aforesaid, personally appeared Lana J. Smith and made oath in due form of law that the execution of the foregoing Consent Agreement was her voluntary act and deed.

(SEAL)

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

