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Re: Mark R. Geier, M.D.
Case Nos. 2007-0083; 2008-0454; 2009-0308
License No.: D24250

Dear Dr. Geier and Counsel:

On April 27, 2011, the Board issued an **ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE** in this case. Dr. Geier was given an opportunity to attend a hearing to show cause why that suspension should not be continued. That hearing took place before the full Board on May 11, 2011. Dr. Geier attended the hearing on that date together with counsel, Jay Schwartz, Esq. and Steven Wise, Esq. The State was represented by Victoria Pepper, Esq., Administrative Prosecutor. Extensive legal argument was presented, Dr. Geier answered numerous questions posed by Board members, and Dr. Geier presented documents. The Board considered all of this material in making its decision.

After considering the investigative file and the presentations at the hearing, the Board determined that it would continue the summary suspension imposed on April 27, 2011. The Board thus will not lift the summary suspension order. The arguments and documents submitted, together with Dr. Geier's responses to the Board's questions, when considered in the light of the

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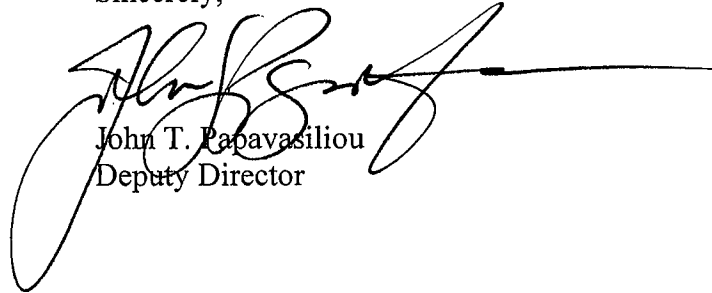
investigative findings in the file, persuade the Board that the Administrative Prosecutor has met her burden of showing that there exists a substantial risk of serious harm to the public health, safety or welfare in Dr. Geier's continued practice. The Board, through its counsel, advised Dr. Geier of this decision orally on the hearing date.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Under the Board regulations, Dr. Geier has the right to request a full evidentiary hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. This request will be granted if the Board receives a written request for the hearing within ten days of the date of this letter. The request should be sent to Christine A. Farrelly, Supervisor, Compliance Administration, at the Board's address. If you request such a hearing, the regulations require that an Administrative Law Judge set an evidentiary hearing to begin within 30 days of your request, *see* COMAR 10.32.02.05 I, though you may waive that 30-day requirement.

This letter constitutes an order of the Board resulting from formal disciplinary action and is a public document.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John T. Papavasiliou', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

John T. Papavasiliou
Deputy Director