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STATE OF FLORIDA BOARD OF MEDICINE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH,

Petitioner,

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vs.

HEARINGS DOH CASE NO.: 2008-00506 DOAH CASE NO.: 11-0052PL

LICENSE NO.: ME0038661

LOWELL ANTHONY ADKINS, M.D.,

Respondent.

FINAL ORDER

THIS CAUSE came before the BOARD OF MEDICINE (Board) pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, on December 2, 2011, in Orlando, Florida, for the purpose of considering the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order(a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A) in the abovestyled cause. Petitioner was represented by Sharmin Hibbert, Assistant General Counsel. Respondent was present and represented by Jeffrey A. Shaffer, Esquire.

Upon review of the Recommended Order, the argument of the parties, and after a review of the complete record in this case, the Board makes the following findings and conclusions.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The findings of fact set forth in the Recommended Order are approved and adopted and incorporated herein by reference. 2. There is competent substantial evidence to support the findings of fact.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to Section 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, and Chapter 458, Florida Statutes.

2. The conclusions of law set forth in the Recommended Order are approved and adopted and incorporated herein by reference.

PENALTY

Upon a complete review of the record in this case, the Board determines that the penalty recommended by the Administrative Law Judge be ACCEPTED. WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

1. Respondent shall pay an administrative fine in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Board within 30 days from the date this Final Order is filed. Said fine shall be paid by money order or cashier's check.

2. Respondent shall document completion of the medical records course sponsored by the Florida Medical Association (FMA) within one year from the date this Final Order is filed.

3. Respondent shall be and hereby is REPRIMANDED by the Board.

RULING ON MOTION TO ASSESS COSTS

The Board reviewed the Petitioner's Motion to Assess Costs in the amount of \$51,457.26. Since Petitioner only prevailed on one of the three counts charged in the Administrative Complaint, the Board imposed one-third of the costs set forth in the Petitioner's Motion to Assess Costs. As such, the Board imposes the costs associated with this case in the amount of \$17,152.42. Said costs are to be paid within 30 days from the date this Final Order is filed.

(NOTE: SEE RULE 64B8-8.0011, FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED BY FINAL ORDER, THE RULE SETS FORTH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PERFORMANCE OF ALL PENALTIES CONTAINED IN THIS FINAL ORDER.)

12th day of December, DONE AND ORDERED this

2011.

BOARD OF MEDICINE

Joy A Tootle, Executive Direct

For George Thomas, M.D., Chair //

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

A PARTY WHO IS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THIS FINAL ORDER IS ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW PURSUANT TO SECTION 120.68, FLORIDA STATUTES. REVIEW PROCEEDINGS ARE GOVERNED BY THE FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE. SUCH PROCEEDINGS ARE COMMENCED BY FILING ONE COPY OF A NOTICE OF APPEAL WITH THE AGENCY CLERK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND A SECOND COPY, ACCOMPANIED BY FILING FEES PRESCRIBED BY LAW, WITH THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST DISTRICT, OR WITH THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL IN THE APPELLATE DISTRICT WHERE THE PARTY RESIDES. THE NOTICE OF APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF RENDITION OF THE ORDER TO BE REVIEWED.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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Deputy Agency Clerk