



Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners

April 1, 2003

Lorne J. Malkiewich, Director
Legislative Counsel Bureau
401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89710

Dear Mr. Malkiewich,

Pursuant the previsions of NRS 622.100, the following is a report of disciplinary action taken against licensees of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners for the calendar quarter January 1, 2003 through March 31, 2003:

Lambert R. Abeyatunge, M.D.

The board found Dr. Abeyatunge, of Las Vegas, guilty of Count One of the Complaint filed against him: operating in the wrong area, not having previously marked the proper area for the operation, constituting malpractice as it is described in NAC 630.245, a violation of NRS 630.301(4) and NOT guilty of Count Two of the Complaint filed against him: engaging in conduct intended to deceive, a violation of NRS 630.306(2)(a). The board ordered that Dr. Abeyatunge receive a public written reprimand, be fined \$2,000.00, successfully complete ten hours of continuing medical education approved in advance by the Secretary-Treasurer of the board, and pay all administrative costs incurred in the investigation and prosecution of the case against him.

Elliott D. Schmerler, M.D.

The board found Dr. Schmerler, of Reno, guilty of the two counts of the Complaint filed against him: 1) Count One - the conviction of a Felony under the laws of the United States of America, a violation of NRS 630.301(1); and 2) Count Two - an offense involving moral turpitude, a violation of NRS 630.301(1). The board revoked Dr. Schmerler's license to practice medicine in Nevada, and ordered that he be fined \$5,000.00 per count for a total of \$10,000.00 and pay all administrative costs incurred in the investigation and prosecution of the case against him.

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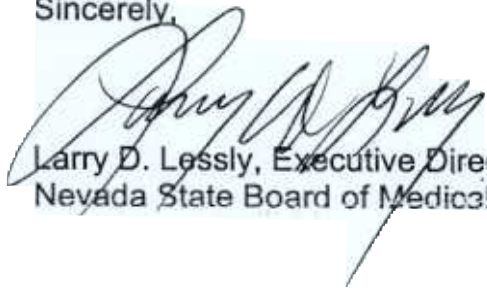
Jeffrey Stein, M.D.

The board found Dr. Stein, of New York, NY, guilty of the two counts of the Complaint filed against him: 1) attempting to obtain a license to practice medicine by fraud, a violation of NRS 630.301(4); and 2) engaging in conduct intended to deceive, a violation of NRS 630.306(2)(a). The board ordered that Dr. Stein receive a public written reprimand, be fined \$2,000.00 per count for a total of \$4,000.00, successfully complete six hours of continuing medical education in the area of medical ethics approved in advance by the Secretary-Treasurer of the board, and pay all administrative costs incurred in the investigation and prosecution of the case against him.

Robert Peter Selkin, M.D.

Dr. Selkin, of Charlotte, NC, waived his rights to a hearing, an appeal and any other rights that may be accorded him under NRS 630 and 233B, and entered into a Stipulation for Settlement of the Complaint filed against him. The board accepted the Stipulation for Settlement and ordered that Dr. Selkin be found guilty of the single count of the Complaint filed against him, which alleged that he practiced medicine in the state of Nevada after the registration of his inactive status license and not having an active status license to practice medicine in the state of Nevada, a violation of NRS 630.306(5) and that he be issued a public reprimand, pay the sum of \$9,250.00 as disgorgement of payments which he received while not licensed in the state of Nevada to practice medicine, which payment shall be used by the board for future public protection enforcement and public awareness efforts, and be fined \$1,000.00.

Sincerely,



Larry D. Lessly, Executive Director
Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners