BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR THE HEALING ARTS

THE STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR THE HEALING ARTS	)	
Petitioner,	)	
v.	)	Case No. 2004-003530
LAWRENCE L. TRETBAR, M.D.	)	
Respondent.	)	

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DISCIPLINARY ORDER

FINDINGS OF FACT

The State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts (hereinafter the "Board") held a disciplinary hearing in this matter on April 7, 2006. The Respondent was present for this hearing. The Board issues the following order:

1. The State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts (hereinafter the "Board") is an agency of the State of Missouri created and established pursuant to §334.120, for the purposes of executing and enforcing the provisions of Chapter 334, RSMo.

2. The Respondent, Lawrence L. Tretbar, M.D., is licensed by the Board as a physician and surgeon, license number R4764.

3. On June 29, 2005, the Board filed a Complaint before the Administrative Hearing Commission, to determine whether cause existed to discipline the Respondent's license.

4. On December 5, 2005, the Administrative Hearing Commission held a hearing in this matter.

5. On December 16, 2005, the Administrative Hearing Commission issued its Decision in this matter, finding that cause exists to discipline the Respondent's license. The Commission found cause to discipline based on the Respondent's surrender of his Kansas medical license for the following reasons:

a) The Respondent was dependent on alcohol, had failed to appear for some alcohol tests, and tested positive at others;
b) an act of unprofessional or dishonorable conduct or professional incompetence;
c) addiction to, or distribution of for an unlawful purpose, alcohol or other drugs;
d) inability to practice with reasonable skill and safety due to use of alcohol or other drugs or controlled substances, physical illness, or mental illness; and
e) conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

6. According to the Decision, cause exists for the Board to discipline the Respondent's license pursuant to §334.100.2(8), RSMo 2000, which states in part:

> 2. The board may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621, RSMo, against any holder of any certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required by this chapter or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered the person's certificate of registration or authority, permit or license for any one or any combination of the following causes:
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> (8) Revocation, suspension, restriction, modification, limitation, reprimand, warning, censure, probation or other final disciplinary action against the holder of or applicant for a

license or other right to practice any profession regulated by this chapter by another state, territory, federal agency or country, whether or not voluntarily agreed to by the licensee or applicant, including, but not limited to, the denial of licensure, surrender of the license, allowing the license to expire or lapse, or discontinuing or limiting the practice of medicine while subject to an investigation or while actually under investigation by any licensing authority, medical facility, branch of the armed forces of the United States of America, insurance company, court, agency of the state or federal government, or employer;

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DECISION AND DISCIPLINARY ORDER

THEREFORE, having fully considered all evidence before this Board, and pursuant to the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that upon the effective date of this Order, the license of Lawrence L. Tretbar, M.D., number R4764, to practice the healing arts in the State of Missouri is hereby REVOKED. The Respondent is directed to immediately return to the Board his wall-hanging certificate, license, and pocket card and all other indicia of licensure.

This Order shall be maintained by the Board as an open record.

SO ORDERED EFFECTIVE THIS 1 DAY OF May, 2006.

Tina Steinman

Tina Steinman, Executive Director
State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts