**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN MEDICINE**

Middlesex, ss. Adjudicatory Case

 No. 2015-004 (RM-15-25)

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In the Matter of ) Final Decision and Order

Nickolas Soumelidis, M.D. )

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 This matter came before the Board of Registration in Medicine (Board), on the basis of the First Administrative Magistrate’s (Magistrate) Recommended Decision dated May 2, 2016 On September 8, 2016, the Board issued an Order of Remand requesting clarification. On April 27, 2017, the Magistrate issued an Amended Recommended Decision, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference. The Board has fully considered the Recommended Decision, Amended Recommended Decision (Amended Decision), Complaint Counsel’s Objections to both the Recommended Decision and the Amended Decision (Objections), and the Respondent’s Response to the Objections to the Recommended Decision (Response).

The Board adopts the Recommended Decision and determines that there is no basis upon which to discipline Nickolas Soumelidis, M.D. Accordingly, the Board dismisses the January 22, 2015 Statement of Allegations. However, the Board emphatically states that neither the establishment nor the termination of a physician-patient relationship is wholly dependent on a physician’s specialty and the location where s/he renders treatment.

Dated: September 14, 2017 Signed by Kathleen Sullivan Meyer

 Kathleen Sullivan Meyer, J.D., Acting Chair

 Board of Registration in Medicine