COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, SS.

Board of Registration in Medicine

Adjudicatory Case No. 2013-037

In the Matter of

LAURA REID, M.D.

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 10, Laura Reid, M.D. (Respondent) and the Board of Registration in Medicine (Board) (hereinafter referred to jointly as the "Parties") agree that the Board may issue this Consent Order to resolve the above-captioned adjudicatory proceeding. The Parties further agree that this Consent Order will have all the force and effect of a Final Decision within the meaning of 801 CMR 1.01(11)(d). The Respondent admits to the findings of fact specified below and agrees that the Board may make the conclusions of law and impose the sanction set forth below in resolution of investigative Docket No. 10-237.

Findings of Fact

- 1. The Respondent was born on July 22, 1954. She graduated from the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester, MA in 1982. She was first licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts under certificate number 56493 in 1986. Her most recent active license lapsed on July 22, 2010.
- 2. On June 21, 2010, the Respondent took Abilify for the first time which caused her to have balance and vision issues. The Abilify had been prescribed by one of her treating physicians.

- 3. On June 21, 2010, after taking the Abilify, the Respondent drove herself home.
- On June 21, 2010, the Respondent was arrested and charged with Operating a
 Motor Vehicle while under the Influence of Drugs.
 - 5. Following her arrest, the Respondent voluntarily stopped practicing medicine.
- 6. On July 28, 2011, the Respondent agreed that the Commonwealth had sufficient facts to show that she committed the offense of Operating a Motor Vehicle while under the Influence of Drugs.
- 7. Following her plea, the Respondent's criminal matter was Continued Without a Finding and she was placed on probation for one year. The Respondent successfully completed her probation and the charges were dismissed.

Conclusion of Law

A. The Respondent has violated G.L. c. 112, § 5, ninth par. (c) and 243 CMR 1.03(5)(a)3 by engaging in conduct that places into question the Respondent's competence to practice medicine.

Sanction and Order

The Respondent's inchoate right to renew her license is hereby indefinitely suspended.

The suspension may be stayed upon the Respondent's demonstration to the Board that she is fit to practice medicine. Said demonstration should include, but not be limited to final from reports from: (a) a psychiatric evaluation performed by a Board-approved physician; and (b) a substance abuse evaluation performed by Physician Health Services. Each of these reports should, in addition to determining the Respondent's fitness to practice medicine, also indicate whether there are conditions that would ensure the Respondent's safe return to practice. Any stay of

suspension will be at the discretion of the Board and will be contingent upon the Respondent's entrance into a five-year Probation Agreement under terms and conditions that the Board deems appropriate at the time, including, but not limited to any recommendations made by any of the evaluators.

Execution of this Consent Order

The Respondent shall provide a complete copy of this Consent Order and Probation

Agreement with all exhibits and attachments within ten (10) days by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by hand delivery to the following designated entities: any in- or out-of-state hospital, nursing home, clinic, other licensed facility, or municipal, state, or federal facility at which s/he practices medicine; any in- or out-of-state health maintenance organization with whom the Respondent has privileges or any other kind of association; any state agency, in- or out-of-state, with which the Respondent has a provider contract; any in- or out-of-state medical employer, whether or not the Respondent practices medicine there; the state licensing boards of all states in which the Respondent has any kind of license to practice medicine; the Drug Enforcement Administration Boston Diversion Group; and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Drug Control Program. The Respondent shall also provide this notification to any such designated entities with which the Respondent becomes associated for the duration of this suspension. The Respondent is further directed to certify to the Board within ten (10) days that the Respondent has complied with this directive.

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The Board expressly reserves the authority to independently notify, at any time, any of the entities designated above, or any other affected entity, of any action it has taken.

Laura Reid, M.D.

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W. Scott Liebert, Esq.
Attorney for the Licensee

July 26, 2013

James Paikos Complaint Counsel 7 92/13 Date

So ORDERED by the Board of Registration in Medicine this 14thday of August 2013.

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Board Chair

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