COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, SS.

Board of Registration in Medicine

Adjudicatory Case No. 2024-070

In the Matter of

ROBERT T. DUNN, M.D.

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 10, Robert T. Dunn, 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. 20-108.

Findings of Fact

- 1. The Respondent graduated from the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine in 1992 and has been licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts under license number 159416 since 1999. He is board-certified in psychiatry.
- 2. On August 11, 2019, at approximately 4:22pm, the Respondent drove his Jeep in the wrong direction on JFK Street a one-way northbound street in Cambridge, MA.
 - 3. The Respondent was stopped by a Cambridge Police Officer.

- 4. While the Officer attempted to clear some traffic, the Respondent attempted to inch his Jeep around the cruiser. The Officer ordered the Respondent to stop and exit the vehicle; the Respondent complied.
- 5. The Officer observed multiple indicators of impairment, including slurred speech, glassy eyes, lack of balance, and the inability to follow directions.
- 6. The Cambridge Police located a knotted baggie that contained cocaine in the front gear box of the Respondent's Jeep.
 - 7. The Respondent was arrested.
- 8. On August 12, 2019, the Respondent was arraigned in the Cambridge District Court and charged with possession of a class B drug in violation of M.G.L. ch. 94C, § 34, and negligent operation of a motor vehicle, in violation of M.G.L. ch. 90, § 24(2)(a), along with various civil infractions.
- 9. On March 12, 2020, the Respondent executed a voluntary agreement to not practice medicine.
- 10. On December 15, 2021, the Respondent admitted to sufficient facts for a finding of guilt on both the possession and negligent operation charges, received a continuation without a finding, and a six-month period of probation.
 - 11. On June 13, 2022, the Respondent successfully completed probation.
 - 12. G.L. c. 4, § 7(26)(a)
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Conclusion of Law

A. The Respondent has engaged in conduct that undermines the public confidence in the integrity of the medical profession. See Levy v. Board of Registration in Medicine, 378 Mass. 519 (1979); Raymond v. Board of Registration in Medicine, 387 Mass. 708 (1982).

Sanction and Order

The Respondent's license is hereby SUSPENDED, indefinitely. Any stay of the suspension would be at the Board's discretion and contingent upon: (1) G.L. c. 4, § 7(26)(a)

(2) the Respondent entering into a 5-year Probation Agreement with standard terms including monitoring substance abuse disorders and monitored practice. This sanction is imposed for each violation of law listed in the Conclusion section and not a combination of any or all of them.

Execution of this Consent Order

Complaint Counsel, Respondent's Counsel, and the Respondent agree that the approval of this Consent Order is left to the discretion of the Board. The signature of Complaint Counsel, Respondent's Counsel, and the Respondent are expressly conditioned on the Board accepting this Consent Order. If the Board rejects this Consent Order in whole or in part, then the entire document shall be null and void; thereafter, neither of the parties nor anyone else may rely on these stipulations in this proceeding.

As to any matter in this Consent Order left to the discretion of the Board, neither the Respondent, nor anyone acting on his behalf, has received any promises or representations regarding the same.

The Respondent waives any right of appeal that he may have resulting from the Board's acceptance of this Consent Order.

The Respondent shall provide a complete copy of this Consent Order 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 the Respondent 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 during the period of probation. The Respondent is further directed to certify to the Board within ten (10) days that the Respondent has complied with this directive.

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.

Signed by Robert T. Dunn, M.D.	9/12/2024
Robert T. Dunn, M.D.	Date
Licensee	

David M. Gould, M.D. Counsel for Licensee	9/17/24 Date
Rachel N. Shute, Esq. Complaint Counsel	911912024 Date

Booker T. Bush, M.D. Board Chair