**MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF MEDICINE TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

WAKEFIELD: At its meeting on June 15, 2023, the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine took disciplinary action against the medical licenses of Gabriel A. Luna, M.D., Stephen R. Holuk, M.D. and Robert B. Downes, M.D.

In a Final Decision & Order, the Board admonished Gabriel A. Luna after it found that he had been convicted of a crime and engaged in conduct that has the capacity to deceive. Dr. Luna pled no contest on June 18, 2014 to two misdemeanor charges arising from a car accident that occurred in 2011. He then failed to disclose the charges on three Board license applications and to his residency program. Dr. Luna practices at UMass Memorial Hospital. He has been licensed to practice medicine in the Commonwealth since December 17, 2015.

The Board accepted Dr. Stephen R. Holuk’s resignation of his medical license. Resignation is a disciplinary action that permanently removes a physician from the practice of medicine**.** Dr. Holuk was first licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts on February 12, 1982. Prior to entering a Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice on January 2, 2023, Dr. Holuk practiced medicine in a private office in Three Rivers.

Dr. Robert B. Downes resigned his right to renew his medical license. Dr. Downes was licensed to practice medicine in the Commonwealth from January 21, 1971 until May 28, 2023. Dr. Downes last practiced medicine in Natick. He is licensed to practice medicine in Connecticut and New York.

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine licenses more than 40,000 physicians, osteopaths and acupuncturists. The Board was created in 1894 to protect the public health and safety by setting standards for the practice of medicine and ensuring that doctors who practice in the Commonwealth are appropriately qualified and competent. The Board investigates complaints and determines sanctions. More information is available at [www.mass.gov/massmedboard](http://www.mass.gov/massmedboard), or you may contact the Board at [borimmediamassmail.state.ma.us](mailto:borimmedia@massmail.state.ma.us).