THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss. **Division of Administrative Law Appeals**

**Board of Registration in Medicine**,

Petitioner

v. Docket No. RM-18-0327

**Adrienne Lara-Fuller, M.D.**,

Respondent

**Appearance for Petitioner**:

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**Appearance for Respondent**:

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**Administrative Magistrate**

James P. Rooney

**Summary of Decision**

A Statement of Allegations seeks to discipline a doctor in Massachusetts because of discipline imposed on her in another state. The doctor is defaulted because she failed to attend a pre-hearing conference or respond to an order to show cause.

**ORDER OF DEFAULT**

**RECOMMENDED DECISION ON THE STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS**

On May 18, 2018, the Board of Registration in Medicine issued a Statement of Allegations ordering Adrienne E. Fuller, M.D., to show cause whey she should not be disciplined by the Board on the basis of discipline imposed on her in California.

In 2012, the Medical Board of California and Dr. Lara-Fuller entered into a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order in which she agreed that she could be subject to discipline related to her California Physician’s and Surgeon’s Certificate because of negligent acts performed during numerous live births.

On November 16, 2017, the Medical Board of California issued a Decision After Non-Adoption in which it ordered the doctor to be disciplined for myriad negligent acts during liposuction procedures and involving the prescription of medicine.

Dr. Lara-Fuller held a license to practice medicine in Massachusetts from June 14, 1995 until November 17, 2005 when her license lapsed.

The Board referred the matter to the Division of Administrative Law Appeals for adjudication. I held a prehearing conference on June 26, 2018. I offered Dr. Lara-Fuller an opportunity to participate by phone. Board counsel attended the conference. Dr. Lara-Fuller did not attend in person or by phone or request that the conference by held on a different date.

On the day of the conference, I issued an order to show cause to Dr. Lara-Fuller requiring that, by July 26, 2018, she file a written document explaining why her appeal should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute. She did not file a response to the order to shw cause.

Dr. Lara-Fuller’s failure to attend the prehearing conference or respond to the order to show cause amounts to a failure to prosecute her case and is sufficient grounds to render a decision against her. *See* 801 C.M.R. § 1.01(7)(g)2. I recommend that the Board default Dr. Lara-Fuller and impose appropriate sanctions.[[1]](#footnote-1)

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW APPEALS,

Signed by James P. Rooney

James P. Rooney

First Administrative Magistrate

Dated: October 4, 2019

1. I originally issued a decision in this matter on July 17, 2019. I am reissuing the decision to reflect that the proper remedy here is default rather than dismissal. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)