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Board of Registration in Medicine

Adjudicatory Case No. 2025-020

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In the Matter of	
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ERIC C. PARLETTE, M.D.	
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STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

The Board of Registration in Medicine (Board) has determined that good cause exists to believe the following acts occurred and constitute a violation for which a licensee may be sanctioned by the Board. The Board therefore alleges that Eric C. Parlette, M.D. (Respondent) has practiced medicine in violation of law, regulations, or good and accepted medical practice as set forth herein. The investigative docket number associated with this order to show cause is Docket No. 23-813.

Biographical Information

- 1. The Respondent graduated from the University of Virginia School of Medicine.

 He is certified by the American Board of Dermatology with a subspecialty in Micrographic

 Dermatologic Surgery. The Respondent has been licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts
 since June 2007 under certificate number 232450.
 - 2. The Respondent is licensed to practice medicine and currently resides in Virginia.
 - 3. The Respondent is also licensed to practice medicine in Florida.
- 4. The Respondent was previously licensed to practice medicine in Michigan, North Carolina, Ohio and Tennessee.

Factual Allegations

5. On November 29, 2023, the Respondent entered into a Consent Order with the Virginia Board of Medicine (VA Board) and was reprimanded for unprofessional conduct with a patient. See VA Board Consent Order at Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

Legal Basis for Proposed Relief

- A. Pursuant to 243 CMR 1.03(5)(a)12, the Board may discipline a physician upon proof satisfactory to a majority of the Board, that said physician has been disciplined in another jurisdiction in any way by the proper licensing authority for reasons substantially the same as those set forth in G.L. c. 112, § 5 or 243 CMR 1.03(5), specifically:
 - 1. Pursuant to 243 CMR 1.03(5)(a)18, the Board may discipline a physician upon proof satisfactory to a majority of the Board, that said physician committed misconduct in the practice of medicine.
 - 2. Pursuant to Levy v. Board of Registration in Medicine, 378 Mass. 519 (1979);

 Raymond v. Board of Registration in Medicine, 387 Mass. 708 (1982), the Board may discipline a physician upon proof satisfactory to a majority of the Board, that said physician lacks good moral character and has engaged in conduct that undermines the public confidence in the integrity of the medical profession.

The Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to G.L. c. 112, §§ 5, 61 and 62. This adjudicatory proceeding will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 30A and 801 CMR 1.01.

Nature of Relief Sought

The Board is authorized and empowered to order appropriate disciplinary action, which

may include revocation or suspension of the Respondent's license to practice medicine. The

Board may also order, in addition to or instead of revocation or suspension, one or more of the

following: admonishment, censure, reprimand, fine, the performance of uncompensated public

service, a course of education or training or other restrictions upon the Respondent's practice of

medicine.

Order

Wherefore, it is hereby **ORDERED** that the Respondent show cause why the Board

should not discipline the Respondent for the conduct described herein.

By the Board of Registration in Medicine,

Booker T. Bush, M.D.

Board Chair

Date: May 15, 2025

Statement of Allegations - ERIC C. PARLETTE, M.D.

EXHIBIT A

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE

IN RE:

ERIC C. PARLETTE, M.D.

License Number:

0101-102816

Case Number:

224595

CONSENT ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") and Eric C. Parlette, M.D., as evidenced by their signatures hereto, in lieu of proceeding to an informal conference, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Dr. Parlette's license to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Eric C. Parlette, M.D., was issued License Number 0101-102816 to practice medicine on July 8, 1999, which is scheduled to expire on August 31, 2024.
- 2. Dr. Parlette violated Virginia Code § 54.1-2915(A)(12) and (18) and 18 VAC 85-20-100 of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, Podiatry and Chiropractic, in that:
- a. Following Mohs surgery on the morning of October 19, 2022, Dr. Parlette called Patient A from his office that afternoon and followed up on her request to send the surgery photos to her cell phone. During the initial call and two additional calls that afternoon from Dr. Parlette's cell phone, Dr. Parlette engaged in personal conversations with Patient A outside of the routine physician-patient relationship. Specifically, while talking with Dr. Parlette and his nurse during the office visit and surgery, Patient A stated that she planned to watch Netflix and drink tequila during time off from her work as a school teacher. During one of the calls, Dr. Parlette asked the patient whether she was familiar with a particular music video entitled "Hot for Teacher." Patient A asked Dr. Parlette about hanging out during

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one of the calls, and in a later interview with a Department of Health Professions' investigator, she stated that she believed hanging out would be for personal reasons and not related to medical care.

- b. From October 20 through October 22, 2022, Dr. Parlette exchanged multiple unprofessional text messages with Patient A, as follows:
- i. On October 20, 2022, Dr. Parlette asked Patient A whether she remade the music video. When Patient A responded that she did not remake the music video, Dr. Parlette suggested she remake the music video.
- ii. During an October 22, 2022, text exchange, Patient A told Dr. Parlette that she was shopping for a "bikini for my Hot for Teacher video! Lol!," and Dr. Parlette replied "Now I am definitely looking forward to that!" During the same exchange, Patient A told Dr. Parlette that the store did not have any bikinis and he replied, "You should go try on a bikini and let me see that!"
- c. Patient A texted Dr. Parlette on November 9, 2022, and told him that she had tickets for the previously discussed football game. On November 13, 2022, Dr. Parlette communicated that he was not interested in attending the football game with Patient A. No further communication between Dr. Parlette and Patient A occurred following this text. Patient A filed a complaint with the Department of Health Professions on November 20, 2023.
- 3. Dr. Parlette provided evidence that he successfully completed continuing medical education on the topics of Navigating Professional Boundaries in Medicine, Professionalism and Boundaries, and Professional Boundaries and Sexual Misconduct on February 3 and 4, 2023.
- 4. In his February 27, 2023, written statement to the Department of Health Professions' investigator, Dr. Parlette stated that his discharge instructions to Patient A included alcohol avoidance and that he considered the physician-patient relationship to have concluded that day because Mohs surgery does not require any follow-up from him. In addition, Dr. Parlette stated that "none of our communications

were sexual in any way." Dr. Parlette further stated that he "was using the experience to reflect and grow," and going forward he will "refrain from engaging in personal conversation unrelated to patient care with patients and will cut such conversations off should they begin to occur," to help avoid the perception of unprofessional conduct.

CONSENT

Eric C. Parlette, M.D., by affixing his signature to this Consent Order, agrees to the following:

- 1. I have been advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document and am represented by Nathan C. Mortier, Esq.;
- 2. I am fully aware that without my consent, no legal action can be taken against me or my license except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, Virginia Code § 2.2-4000 et seq.;
- 3. I acknowledge that I have the following rights, among others: the right to an informal factfinding conference before the Board; and the right to representation by counsel;
 - 4. I waive my right to an informal conference;
- 5. I neither admit nor deny the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein but waive my right to contest such Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and any sanction imposed hereunder in any future judicial or administrative proceeding in which the Board is a party;
- 6. I consent to the entry of the following Order affecting my license to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Virginia Board of Medicine hereby ORDERS that Eric C. Parlette, M.D., is REPRIMANDED

authorized to the control and

Eric C. Parlette, M.D. CONSENT ORDER Page 4 of 4

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as a public record, and shall be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

FOR THE BOARD

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VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE			

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Jennifer Des	thenes, J.D., M.S.
Deputy Exec	utive Director
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INTERED: 11/29/2013

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Eric C. Parlette, M.D.

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COMMONWEALTH COUNTY/CITY OF	Chester	field	, TO W	IT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia at large, on

this day of MCCI Notary Public Notary Public REG # 8022399 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 12/31/2026 Signification expires: 1Z 31 2026

Registration No.:

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