

IN THE MATTER OF
THE LICENSE OF
ROBERT CHRISTOPHER KUHNE, M.D.

BEFORE THE
TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

AGREED ORDER OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER ON FORMAL FILING

On the 15 day of June, 2018, came on to be heard before the Texas Medical Board (Board), duly in session, the matter of the license of Robert Christopher Kuhne, M.D. (Respondent).

On June 29, 2017, Respondent appeared without counsel at an Informal Show Compliance Proceeding and Settlement Conference in response to a letter of invitation from the staff of the Board. The Board's representatives were Jeffrey Luna, M.D., a member of the Board, and David W. Miller, a member of a District Review Committee (Panel). Johnathan Stone represented Board staff.

Following the ISC, the matter did not resolve and a formal Complaint was filed at SOAH under Docket No. 503-18-3341.MD. Prior to a Final Hearing on the Merits, the parties engaged in direct negotiation and agreed to this Order. Respondent was represented by Mark Hanna. Susan Rodriguez prepared this Order.

With the consent of Respondent, the Board makes the following Findings and Conclusions of Law and enters this Agreed Order.

FINDINGS

The Board finds that:

1. Respondent received all notice required by law. All jurisdictional requirements have been satisfied. Respondent waives any defect in notice and any further right to notice or hearing under the Medical Practice Act, Title 3, Subtitle B, Texas Occupations Code (the Act) or the Rules of the Board.
2. Respondent currently holds Texas Medical License No. H-2519. Respondent was originally issued this license to practice medicine in Texas on December 1, 1987.

3. Respondent was primarily engaged in the practice of obstetrics and gynecology. Respondent retired from the practice of medicine in March 2018 as a result of a medical condition.

4. Respondent is currently the subject of a formal complaint at SOAH alleging violations of the standard of care with respect to one patient.

5. By Respondent's signature on this Agreed Order, Respondent requests that the voluntary surrender of his Texas Medical License be accepted in lieu of further proceedings and litigation at SOAH, and that the voluntary and permanent surrender of his Texas medical license be effective on the date of the entry of this Agreed Order.

6. Respondent has cooperated in the investigation of the allegations related to this Agreed Order. Respondent neither admits nor denies the information given above. To avoid further investigation, hearings, and the expense and inconvenience of litigation, Respondent agrees to the entry of this Agreed Order and to comply with its terms and conditions.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the above Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that:

1. The Board has jurisdiction over the subject matter and Respondent pursuant to the Act.

2. Section 164.061 of the Act and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §196.2 authorize the Board to accept the voluntary and permanent surrender of Respondent's Texas medical license.

3. This Agreed Order is based on Finding No. 3 above, and the specific authority of Section 164.051(a)(4)(D) of the Act.

4. Section 164.002(a) of the Act authorizes the Board to resolve and make a disposition of this matter through an Agreed Order.

ORDER

Based on the above Findings and Conclusions of Law, the Board ORDERS that:

1. The voluntary and permanent surrender of Respondent's Texas Medical License should be, and is, accepted by the Board effective on the date this Order is signed by the President of the Board.

2. Respondent's Texas Medical License H-2519 is, therefore, permanently canceled.

3. Respondent shall immediately cease practice in Texas. Respondent's practice after the date of entry of this Agreed Order shall constitute a violation of this Order, subjecting Respondent to disciplinary action by the Board or prosecution for practicing without a license in Texas.

4. Respondent shall not petition the Board for reinstatement of his Texas Medical License.

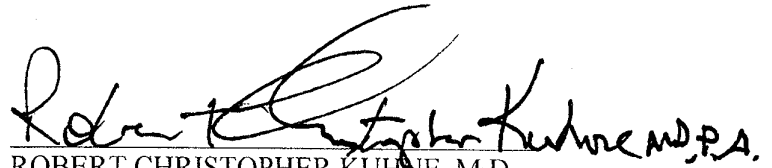
5. By this voluntary and permanent surrender of Respondent's Texas medical license, Respondent resolves any complaints currently before the Board.

RESPONDENT WAIVES ANY FURTHER HEARINGS OR APPEALS TO THE BOARD OR TO ANY COURT IN REGARD TO ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS AGREED ORDER. RESPONDENT AGREES THAT THIS IS A FINAL ORDER.

THIS ORDER IS A PUBLIC RECORD.

[SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW]

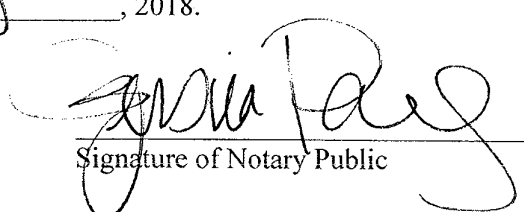
I, ROBERT CHRISTOPHER KUHNE, M.D., HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING AGREED ORDER. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY. I UNDERSTAND THIS AGREED ORDER CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND, VERBAL, WRITTEN OR OTHERWISE.


ROBERT CHRISTOPHER KUHNE, M.D.
Respondent

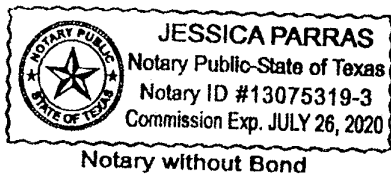
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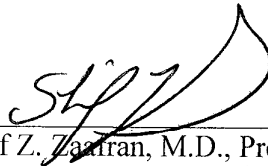
SWORN TO AND ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public,
on this 14th day of May, 2018.


Signature of Notary Public

(Notary Seal)



SIGNED AND ENTERED by the presiding officer of the Texas Medical Board on this
15 day of June, 2018.



Sherif Z. Zafran, M.D., President
Texas Medical Board