October 18, 2019

Spencer D. Thomas, M.D.

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Re: Spencer D. Thomas, M.D.

Case No.: 2220-0069 License No.: D82725

Dear Dr. Thomas and Mr. Malizio:

On October 2, 2019, Disciplinary Panel A of the Maryland State Board of Physicians issued an **ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE** in this case, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., State Gov't § 10-226(c)(2)(i) (2014 Repl. Vol. and 2018 Supp.). Dr. Thomas was given an opportunity to attend a post-deprivation hearing before Disciplinary Panel A to show cause why that suspension should not be continued on October 16, 2019. Dr. Thomas participated in the hearing by telephone conference on that date. The State was represented by Adam Malizio, Assistant Attorney General, Administrative Prosecutor. Both parties presented oral arguments at the post-deprivation hearing.

After consideration of the presentations of the parties, Disciplinary Panel A determined that it would continue the summary suspension imposed on October 2, 2019. Disciplinary Panel A thus will not lift the order of summary suspension. Disciplinary Panel A finds that the public health, safety, and welfare imperatively requires the summary suspension of Dr. Thomas's license to practice medicine. See State Gov't § 10-226(c)(2)(i). The order of summary suspension is thus reaffirmed and continues in effect. See COMAR 10.32.02.08H(1).

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Under the Board regulations, Dr. Thomas has the right to request a full evidentiary hearing before an Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings. This

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request will be granted if the Board receives a written request for the hearing within **TEN** (10) days of the date of this letter. Any request for a hearing should be sent to Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director, Maryland Board of Physicians, 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21215. If such a hearing is requested, the regulations require that an Administrative Law Judge set the hearing to begin within 30 days of the request, *see* COMAR 10.32.02.08 I, though that 30-day requirement may be waived.

This letter constitutes an order of the Board through Disciplinary Panel A resulting from formal disciplinary action and is therefore a public document.

Sincerely yours,

Signature on File

Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director Maryland State Board of Physicians