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Department of Health
By: Lilli Bailey
Deputy Agency Clerk

STATE OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF MEDICINE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH,

Petitioner,

vs.

DOH CASE NO.: 2004-19125
LICENSE NO.: ME0022774

MAXIMO HANDEL, M.D.,

Respondent.

FINAL ORDER

~~THIS CAUSE came before the BOARD OF MEDICINE (Board) on~~
December 2, 2005, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, for the purpose of
considering Respondent's offer to voluntarily relinquish his
license to practice medicine in the State of Florida. (Attached
hereto as Exhibit A.) Said written offer of relinquishment
specifically provides that Respondent agrees never again to apply
for licensure as a physician in the State of Florida.

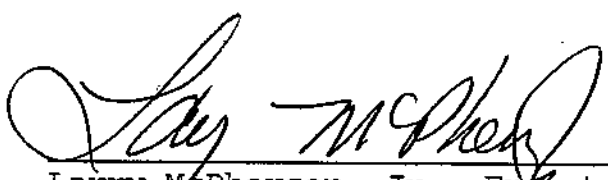
Upon consideration of the written offer of voluntary
relinquishment, the charges, and the other documents of record,
and being otherwise fully advised in the premises,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent's Voluntary
Relinquishment of his license to practice medicine in the State
of Florida is hereby ACCEPTED, and shall constitute discipline
upon Respondent's license.

This Final Order shall take effect upon being filed with the
Clerk of the Department of Health.

DONE AND ORDERED this 9 day of DECEMBER,
2005.

BOARD OF MEDICINE



Larry McPherson, Jr., Executive Director
for Laurie K. Davies, M.D., Chair

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the
foregoing Final Order has been provided by U.S. Mail to MAXIMO
HANDEL, M.D., 1 John Anderson Drive, Suite #710, Ormond Beach,
Florida 32176; to Mark W. Klingensmith, Esquire, 1545 Centrepark
Drive North, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401-7414; and by
interoffice delivery to Denise O'Brien and Dana Baird,
Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C-65,
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3265 this 13th day of
December, 2005.



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VOLUNTARY RELINQUISHMENT OF LICENSE

Respondent Maximo Handel, M.D., license No. 22774, hereby voluntarily relinquishes Respondent's license to practice Medicine in the State of Florida and states as follows:

1. Respondent is a health care provider, currently licensed to practice medicine in the State of Florida. Respondent's medical practice was in the field of psychiatry.
2. Respondent suffered a stroke in May 2004, and has not been engaged in the active practice of medicine since that time. As a result of his medical condition, Respondent desires to withdraw from practicing as a doctor of medicine in the State of Florida. On or about April 26, 2004, the Department of Health filed a Uniform Consumer Complaint against the Respondent alleging a violation of Section 458.331(1)(j)(t). Respondent denies the allegations contained in the Complaint.
3. Respondent's purpose in executing this Voluntary Relinquishment is to avoid further administrative action with respect to this cause. Respondent understands that acceptance by the Board of Medicine (hereinafter the Board) of this Voluntary Relinquishment shall be construed as disciplinary action against Respondent's license pursuant to Section 456.072(1)(f), Florida Statutes.

4. Respondent agrees to never reapply for licensure as a medical physician in the State of Florida.

5. Respondent agrees to voluntarily cease practicing Medicine immediately upon executing this Voluntary Relinquishment. Respondent further agrees to refrain from the practice of Medicine until such time as this Voluntary Relinquishment is presented to the Board and the Board issues a written final order in this matter.

6. In order to expedite consideration and resolution of this action by the Board in a public meeting, Respondent, being fully advised of the consequences of so doing, hereby waives the statutory privilege of confidentiality of Section 456.073(10), Florida Statutes, and waives a determination of probable cause, by the Probable Cause Panel, or the Department when appropriate, pursuant to Section 456.073(4), Florida Statutes, regarding the complaint, the investigative report of the Department of Health, and all other information obtained pursuant to the Department's investigation in the above-styled action. By signing this waiver, Respondent understands that the record and complaint become public record and remain public record and that information is immediately accessible to the public. Section 456.073(10) Florida Statutes.

7. Upon the Board's acceptance of this Voluntary Relinquishment, Respondent agrees to waive all rights to seek judicial review of, or to otherwise challenge or contest the validity of, this Voluntary Relinquishment and of the Final Order of the Board incorporating this Voluntary Relinquishment.

8. Petitioner and Respondent hereby agree that upon the Board's acceptance of this Voluntary Relinquishment, each party shall bear its own attorney's fees and costs related to the prosecution or defense of this matter.

9. Respondent authorizes the Board to review and examine all investigative file materials concerning Respondent in connection with the Board's consideration of this Voluntary Relinquishment. Respondent agrees that consideration of this Voluntary Relinquishment and other related materials by the Board shall not prejudice or preclude the Board, or any of its members, from further participation, consideration, or resolution of these proceedings if the terms of this Voluntary Relinquishment are not accepted by the Board.

DATED this 09/15 day of _____, 2005.

Maximo Handel
Maximo Handel, M.D.

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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF: NY

Before me, personally appeared Maximo Handel, whose identity is known to me by H. No. Record (type of Identification) and who, under oath, acknowledges that his signature appears above. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of Sept, 2005.

[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: 02/19/06

Carmen C. Moore
Notary Public-State Of New York
No. 01m06069913
My Commission Expires
February 19, 2006

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Voluntary Relinquishment