BEFORE THE DIVISION OF MEDICAL QUALITY MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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| 11 | In the Matter of the) No. D-4741 | | |
| 12 | Accusation Against:) STIPULATION IN SETTLEMENT | | |
| 13 | VALENTINO ANDRES, M.D.) 1134 Plumas Street) | | |
| 14 | Yuba City, CA 95991 | | |
| 15 | Physician's and Surgeon's) Certificate No. G-14923) | | |
| 16 | Respondent. | | |
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| 19 | Respondent Valentino Andres, M.D., through his | | |
| 20 | attorney, Robert J. Sullivan, and the Medical Board of | | |
| 21 | California, Division of Medical Quality, through its counsel | | |
| 22 | Deputy Attorney General Robert C. Miller, do hereby enter into | | |
| 23 | the following stipulation: | | |
| 24 | 1. Thomas Heerhartz, former acting Executive Director | | |
| 25 | of the Medical Board of California (hereinafter "Board") filed | | |
| 26 | amended accusation number D-4741 solely in his official capacity. | | |
| 27 | 2. On August 10, 1968, the Board issued physician's | | |

and surgeon's certificate number G-14923 to Valentino Andres (hereinafter "respondent"). The certificate was in full force and effect at all times pertinent herein.

- 3. Respondent has read and understands the charges contained in the Amended Accusation. Respondent understands that said charges, if found to be true, constitute cause for disciplinary action.
- 4. Respondent understands that he has a right to a hearing on the charges contained in the Amended Accusation, to reconsideration, to appeal, and to any and all rights accorded him by the Administrative Procedure Act and Code of Civil Procedure. Respondent hereby freely and voluntarily waives those rights in order to enter into this stipulation as a resolution of the pending Amended Accusation against him.
- 5. It is expressly understood by the parties that the admissions made herein are for the purposes of this proceeding or other proceeding before the Board and may not be used for any other purpose.
- 6. Subject to the proviso in item 5 above, respondent admits that the allegations contained in paragraph 6B of the Amended Accusation are true in that on April 14, 1992, respondent was convicted by no contest plea of violating section 729, subdivision (a) of the Business and Professions Code, sexual exploitation by a psychotherapist. Respondent specifically denies all other allegations in the accusations, but does admit that those allegations, if found to be true, do constitute grounds for this disciplinary order. The allegations which

respondent denies in the Amended Accusation were also the subject of criminal charges against respondent. Respondent was twice tried on those charges, with both trials resulting in hung juries. After the second trial, the Superior Court Judge of Sutter County dismissed all charges against respondent in the interests of justice.

7. Based on the waivers and admissions made herein, the Division of Medical Quality of the Board may issue the following decision:

Physician's and surgeon's certificate number G-14923, heretofore issued to Valentino Andres, M.D., is hereby revoked; provided, however, that said revocation is stayed, and respondent is placed on probation for a period of seven (7) years upon the following terms and conditions:

- A. Within 15 days after the effective date of this decision the respondent shall provide the Division, or its designee, proof of service that respondent has served a true copy of this decision on the Chief of Staff or the Chief Executive Officer at every hospital in California where privileges or membership are extended or where respondent is employed to practice medicine and on the Chief Executive Officer at every insurance carrier where malpractice insurance coverage is extended.
- B. As part of probation, respondent is suspended from the practice of medicine until December 15, 1995. Respondent's license was suspended on an interim basis on November 12, 1992, and respondent has been suspended from the practice of medicine

since that date. When respondent's suspension is lifted on December 15, 1995, his total period of suspension will have been three years, thirty-three days.

- C. Within 60 days of the effective date of this decision, respondent shall enroll in a course in Ethics approved in advance by the Division or its designee, and shall successfully complete the course during the first year of probation.
- D. Within 30 days of the effective date of this decision, and on a periodic basis thereafter as may be required by the Division or its designee, respondent shall undergo a psychiatric evaluation (and psychological testing, if deemed necessary) by a Division-appointed psychiatrist, who shall furnish an evaluation report to the Division or its designee. The respondent shall pay the cost of the psychiatric evaluation.

If respondent is required by the Division or its designee to undergo psychiatric treatment, respondent shall within 30 days of the requirement notice submit to the Division for its prior approval the name and qualifications of a psychiatrist of respondent's choice. Respondent shall undergo and continue psychiatric treatment until further notice from the Division or its designee. Respondent shall have the treating psychiatrist submit quarterly status reports to the Division or its designee indicating whether the respondent is capable of practicing medicine safely.

Respondent shall not engage in the practice of medicine in California until notified by the Division or its designee of

its determination that respondent is mentally fit to practice safely.

E. Within 30 days of the effective date of this decision, respondent shall submit to the Division or its designee for its prior approval a plan of practice in which respondent's practice shall be monitored by another physician in respondent's field of practice, who shall provide periodic reports to the Division or its designee.

If the monitor resigns or is no longer available, respondent shall, within 15 days, move to have a new monitor appointed, through nomination by respondent and approval by the Division or its designee.

Respondent is prohibited from engaging in solo practice in California.

- F. During probation, respondent shall have a third party present while examining or treating female patients.

 Respondent shall, prior to returning to practice, submit to the Division or its designee name(s) of persons who will act as the third party present. The respondent shall execute a release authorizing the third party(s) present to divulge any information that the Board may request during interviews by the probation monitor on a periodic basis.
- G. Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws, and all rules and orders governing the practice of medicine in California.
- H. Respondent shall submit quarterly declarations under penalty of perjury on forms provided by the Division,

stating whether there has been compliance with all the conditions of probation.

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- I. Respondent shall comply with the Division's probation surveillance program. Respondent shall, at all times, keep the Division informed of his addresses of business and residence which shall both serve as addresses of record. Changes of such addresses shall be immediately communicated in writing to the Division. Under no circumstances shall a post office box serve as an address of record.
- J. Respondent shall appear in person for interviews with the Division, its designee or its designated physician(s) upon request at various intervals and with reasonable notice.
- ĸ. In the event respondent should leave California to reside or to practice outside the State or for any reason should respondent stop practicing medicine in California, respondent shall notify the Division or its designee in writing within ten days of the dates of departure and return or the dates of nonpractice within California. Non-practice is defined as any period of time exceeding thirty days in which respondent is not engaging in any activities defined in Sections 2051 and 2052 of the Business and Professions Code. All time spent in an intensive training program approved by the Division or its designee shall be considered as time spent in the practice of medicine. Periods of temporary or permanent residence or practice outside California or of non-practice within California, as defined in this condition, will not apply to the reduction of the probationary period.

L. Upon successful completion of probation, respondent's certificate shall be fully restored.

- M. If respondent violates probation in any respect, the Division, after giving respondent notice and the opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order that was stayed. If an accusation or petition to revoke probation is filed against respondent during probation, the Division shall have continuing jurisdiction until the matter is final, and the period of probation shall be extended until the matter is final.
- N. The respondent is hereby ordered to reimburse the Division for its investigative costs in the amount of \$5,000 payable at the rate of \$500 per month commencing April 15, 1996. Failure to reimburse the Division's cost of its investigation shall constitute a violation of the probation order, unless the Division agrees in writing to change the payment plan because of financial hardship. The filing of bankruptcy by the respondent shall not relieve the respondent of his responsibility to reimburse the Division for its investigative costs.
- O. Following the effective date of this probation, if respondent ceases practicing due to retirement, health reasons or is otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, respondent may voluntarily tender his certificate to the Board. The Division reserves the right to evaluate the respondent's request and to exercise its discretion whether to grant the request, or to take any other action deemed appropriate and reasonable under the circumstances. Upon formal acceptance

| 1 | of the tendered license, respondent will no longer be subject t |
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| 2 | the terms and conditions of probation. |
| 3 | 8. This Stipulation in Settlement may not be |
| 4 | withdrawn or repudiated by either party prior to the Board's |
| 5 | formal decision to either adopt or reject this proposed |
| 6 | settlement. |
| 7 | 9. If this stipulation is not adopted by the |
| 8 | Division, it shall have no force or effect on any party. |
| 9 | DATED: <u>(0/22/95</u> |
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| 15 | Physician's and Surgeon's) | | | | |
| 16 | Certificate No. G-14923 | | | | |
| 17 | Respondent. | | | | |
| 18 | Thomas Heerhartz, the complainant herein, alleges as | | | | |
| 19 | follows: | | | | |
| 20 | 1. He is the Acting Executive Director of the Medical | | | | |
| 21 | Board of California and makes and files this accusation in his | | | | |
| 22 | official capacity as such and not otherwise. | | | | |
| 23 | 2. On or about August 10, 1968, respondent Valentino | | | | |
| 24 | Andres, M.D. (hereinafter "respondent") was issued physician's | | | | |
| 25 | and surgeon's certificate No. G-14923 under the laws of the State | | | | |
| 26 | of California. This certificate is current and will expire on | | | | |
| 27 | August 31, 1993, if not renewed. | | | | |

- 4. Section 726 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the "commission of any act of sexual abuse, misconduct, or relations with a patient . . . which is substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of the occupation for which a license was issued constitutes unprofessional conduct and grounds for disciplinary action. . . "
- 5. Section 2236, subdivision (a) of the Code provides, in pertinent part that "the conviction of any offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon constitutes unprofessional conduct. . . "

R.J.

6. Beginning in or around 1985 and ending in or around November, 1991, respondent was the treating psychiatrist for K.J. 1 at respondent's private psychiatric practice in Yuba City, California.

Respondent is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct pursuant to sections 726 and 2236 of the Code as more particularly alleged as follows:

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^{1.} All patients will be referred to herein by initials. Disclosure of their names will be provided to respondent pursuant to a timely request for discovery.

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8. H.O. was respondent's psychotherapy patient from 1984 and 1985. Respondent committed unprofessional conduct in violation of section 726 by having H.O. remove her clothing so that respondent could check her heart rate, and by fondling H.O.'s nipples under her bra.

K.P.

- 9. K.P. was respondent's psychotherapy patient from January 1989 to September 1990. Respondent committed unprofessional conduct in violation of section 726 by engaging in the following acts:
- A. Respondent had K.P. disrobe so that he could check her heart rate and blood pressure.

- B. Respondent gave K.P. pelvic and vaginal exams and 1 2 fondled her breasts. 3 Respondent would give K.P. injections of medication and would then engage K.P. in acts of sexual 4 5 intercourse. L.K. 6 7 L.K. was respondent's psychotherapy patient in 1974. Respondent committed unprofessional conduct in violation 8 9 of section 726 by subjecting L.K. to breast and pelvic 10 examinations. 11 D.P. 12 D.P. was respondent's psychotherapy patient from 11. 13 1984 to 1989. Respondent committed unprofessional conduct in violation of section 726 by engaging in sexual acts with D.P. 14 15 which included sexual intercourse and oral copulation. 16 S.T. 17 12. S.T. was respondent's psychotherapy patient from 18
 - April 1990 to approximately April 1992. Respondent committed unprofessional conduct in violation of section 726 by having S.T. disrobe from the waist up to check her heart rate and blood pressure and by fondling her breasts.

WHEREFORE complainant prays that the Division of Medical Quality hold a hearing on the matters alleged herein and following said hearing issue a decision:

1. Suspending or revoking the license issued to respondent Valentino Andres, M.D.

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| 1 | 2. Prohibiting respondent from supervising a | |
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| 2 | physician's assistant; and | |
| 3 | 3. Taking such other and further action as may b | эe |
| 4 | proper. | |
| 5 | DATED: November 23/1992. | |
| 6 | THOMAS HEERHARTZ | |
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