

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

BOARD: Medicine
CASE NUMBER: 0076595
COMPLAINT MADE BY:

DATE COMPLAINT RECEIVED: October 6, 1986
COMPLAINT MADE AGAINST: Ernest Cohen, M.D.
140 "D" S. University Drive
Plantation, FL 33324
REVIEWED BY: Leslie Brookmeyer/DR
STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Close (PL-06)

CLOSING ORDER

THE COMPLAINT: Complainant alleges that the Subject of the investigation excessively and/or inappropriately prescribed Schedule II controlled substances, particularly Tuinal and Nembutal, to two known drug addicts.

THE FACTS: Investigation failed to substantiate the allegations. The investigation revealed that the two (2) patients were not drug addicts. The Department expert opined that the Subject did not excessively and/or inappropriately prescribe Tuinal and Nembutal to the patients. However, the expert opined that the Subject did not keep adequate written medical records reflecting the clinical status of the patients.

THE LAW: Based on the foregoing, there is sufficient evidence to support a finding of probable cause that Subject violated the provisions of Section 458.331(1)(n), Florida Statutes, or the rules promulgated thereunder. However, under the circumstances, this case will be closed by issuing Subject a Letter of Guidance.

It is, therefore, ORDERED that this matter should be,
and the same is hereby CLOSED with a Letter of Guidance.

DONE and ORDERED this 30th day of January, 1988. *[Signature]*

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CHAIRMAN, Probable Cause Panel
Board of Medicine

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