

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF IOWA

IN THE MATTER OF THE) FILE NOS. 02-02-207,02-03-645
STATEMENT OF CHARGES AGAINST) 02-04-141 & 02-04-229
JAMES A. YELTATZIE, M.D.) DIA NO. 06DPHMB001
Respondent) FINDINGS OF FACT,
) CONCLUSIONS OF LAW,
) DECISION AND ORDER

TO: JAMES A. YELTATZIE, M.D.

DATE: September 14, 2006

On December 20, 2005, the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners (Board) filed a Statement of Charges against James A. Yeltatzie, M.D. (Respondent), charging him with:

Count I: Professional incompetency, in violation of Iowa Code sections 147.55(2), 148.6(2)(g) and (i), 272C.10(2)(2005) and 653 IAC 12.4(2)"a"- "d", when on numerous occasions he engaged in inappropriate practices in the treatment of chronic pain and mental conditions.

Count II: Practice harmful or detrimental to the public, in violation of Iowa Code section 147.55(3)(2005) and 653 IAC 12.4(3), when he engaged in inappropriate practices in the treatment of chronic pain and mental health conditions.

(State Exhibit 8) Also on December 20, 2005, the Board issued an Emergency Adjudicative Order, immediately suspending Respondent's medical license, based on a finding that his continued practice of medicine constituted an immediate danger to the public health, safety, and welfare. (State Exhibit 9)

The hearing was held on August 16, 2006 at 1:20 p.m. before a quorum of the Board, which included: Yasyn Lee, M.D., Chairperson; Carole Frier, D.O.; Blaine Houmes, M.D.; Susan Johnson, M.D.; Dana Shaffer, D.O.; Siroos Shirazi, M.D.; Russell Lee, M.D.; Paul Thurlow and Janece Valentine, public members. Respondent appeared and was represented by attorney John Wunder. Assistant Attorney General Theresa O'Connell Weeg represented the state. The hearing was closed to the public, pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.6(1) and 653 IAC 12.26(12), and was recorded by a certified court reporter. Administrative Law Judge Margaret LaMarche assisted the Board in conducting the

