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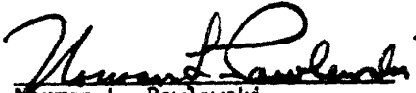
James N. Lyons, M.D.  
1424 E. Walnut Street, #2  
Des Moines, Iowa 50316

Reference: File 02-84-61

Dear Dr. Lyons:

Your Voluntary Surrender of your license to practice medicine and surgery has been received and is hereby accepted on this 11th day of May, 1984.

As is stated in section 148.8 of the Iowa Code, this Voluntary Surrender has the same force and effect as an Order of Revocation.

  
Norman L. Pawlewski  
Commissioner of Public Health  
Robert Lucas State Office Building  
State Capitol Complex  
Des Moines, Iowa

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

Norman L. Pawlewski  
Commissioner of Public Health  
Lucas State Office Building  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Pawlewski:

You are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of section 148.8, Code of Iowa, this letter shall constitute my written statement of intention to voluntarily surrender the enclosed license to practice medicine and surgery, which was heretofore issued to me on the 22nd day of February, 1968, as evidenced by Certificate Number 17643, recorded in Book 3, at Page 719 of the records in the office of the Iowa State Board of Medical Examiners.

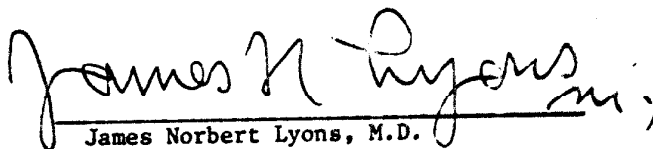
You are further notified that I fully understand that upon your acceptance of this voluntary surrender of my license, such acceptance shall have the same force and effect as an order of revocation.

You are further notified that I hereby affirm my decision not to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery in the State of Iowa and I hereby absolve and release the State Department of Health and the State Board of Medical Examiners from any further right, claim, or title to the enclosed certificate of license, and to any of the rights, privileges and honors pertaining thereto.

This written statement of my intention to voluntarily surrender my medical license is being signed by me on the 13th day of April, 1984, as my own voluntary act and deed.



WITNESS:



James Norbert Lyons, M.D.

Date April 13, 1984

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

OF THE STATE OF IOWA

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IN THE MATTER OF ~~THE~~ COMPLAINT :  
AND STATEMENT OF CHARGES AGAINST : COMPLAINT AND STATEMENT  
JAMES NORBERT LYONS, M.D., ; OF CHARGES  
RESPONDENT. :

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COMES NOW Ronald V. Saf, Executive Director of the Iowa State Board of Medical Examiners and files this Complaint and Statement of Charges against James Norbert Lyons, M.D., a physician licensed pursuant to Chapter 147, Code of Iowa, and alleges:

1. That Norman L. Pawlewski is the duly appointed, qualified and acting Commissioner of Public Health of the State of Iowa.

2. That Reid E. Motley, M.D., Chairman, John L. Garred, M.D., Vice-Chairman, Kathryn E. Gammack, Secretary, Alyce M. Fanslow, Ph.D., Joseph B. Baker, D.O., Richard L. Carruthers, D.O., William R. Bliss, M.D., Dorothy J. Gildea, M.D., and Hormoz Rassekh, M.D., are the duly appointed, qualified and acting officers and members of the Iowa State Board of Medical Examiners.

3. That the Respondent is a resident of Des Moines, Iowa and was issued license number 17643 to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Iowa on February 22, 1968, as recorded in Book 3, Page 719 of the permanent records in the office of the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners.

4. That the Respondent's license is current until April 30, 1986.

5. That the Respondent's license was revoked on the 16th day of July, 1981 and reinstated on July 16, 1983 for a period of five years under specific terms and conditions set forth in the Commissioner's Order dated July 18, 1983.

6. That on March 21, 1984, the Respondent, while in conversation with his counselor, admitted that he had been consuming alcohol for approximately one week.

7. That on March 21, 1983, the Respondent, voluntarily admitted himself to the Detoxification Unit, Broadlawns Substance Abuse Program at 1915 Hickman,

8. That the Respondent has violated the terms and conditions of the Commissioner's Order dated July 18, 1983. More Specifically:

(a) That the Respondent has violated paragraph 1.(d) of the Commissioner's Order dated July 18, 1983 which states:

"The Respondent will totally abstain from the use of alcohol during the period of probation."

9. That the Respondent is guilty of a violation of Section 148.6(i) of the Code of Iowa which states:

148.6(i) Willful or repeated violation of lawful rule or regulation promulgated by the board or violating a lawful order of the board, previously entered by the board in a disciplinary hearing.

10. That the Respondent is guilty of a violation of Rule 470-135.204(15) of the Iowa Administrative Code which states:

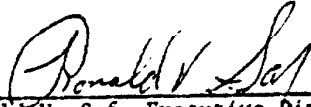
470-135.204(15) Violating a lawful order of the board, previously entered by the board in a disciplinary hearing.

11. That paragraphs 8, 9, and 10 constitute grounds for which the license issued to the Respondent, James Norbert Lyons, M.D., on the 22nd day of February, 1968, as evidenced by certificate number 17643 which is recorded in Book 3, Page 719 of the records of the Iowa State Board of Medical Examiners, may be suspended or revoked.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned charges that the Respondent has violated Sections 148.6(i) of the Code of Iowa and Rule 470-135.204(15) of the Iowa Administrative Code, and the undersigned prays that the Board enter an order fixing a time and place of hearing on the Complaint and Statement of Charges.

The undersigned further prays that upon final hearing the Board enter its Findings of Fact and Decision to suspend or revoke the license to practice medicine and surgery issued to James Norbert Lyons, M.D., on the 22nd day of February, 1968, and for such other and further relief as the Board deems just in the premises.

IOWA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

  
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Ronald V. Saf, Executive Director  
Iowa State Board of Medical Examiners  
State Capitol Complex

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
OF THE STATE OF IOWA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT :  
AND STATEMENT OF CHARGES AGAINST :  
JAMES NORBERT LYONS, M.D., : ORDER  
RESPONDENT. :

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NOW on the 16th day of July, 1981, the above entitled matter having been filed with the Commissioner of Public Health on the 16th day of July, 1981, and the undersigned Commissioner of Public Health, having reviewed the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision rendered by the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners, and being fully advised in the premises FINDS:

1. That a hearing in the above matter was held on July 8, 1981, and that the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners decided the matter on July 9, 1981.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the license to practice medicine and surgery which was issued to the respondent, James Robert Lyons, M.D. on the 22nd day of February, 1969, as evidenced by Certificate No. 17643 as recorded on page 719 of Book 3 of the records of the Iowa State Department of Health, is hereby revoked.

  
Norman L. Pawlewski  
Commissioner of Public Health  
Lucas State Office Building  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

OF THE STATE OF IOWA

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 IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT :  
 AND STATEMENT OF CHARGES AGAINST :  
 JAMES NORBERT LYONS, M.D., : COMPLAINT AND STATEMENT  
 RESPONDENT. : OF CHARGES  
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COMES NOW Ronald V. Saf, Executive Director of the Iowa State Board of Medical Examiners and files this Complaint and Statement of Charges against James Norbert Lyons, M.D., a physician licensed pursuant to Chapter 147, Code of Iowa, and alleges:

1. That Norman L. Pawlewski is the duly appointed, qualified and acting Commissioner of Public Health of the State of Iowa.

2. That Cyrus L. Beye, M.D., Chairman, Joseph A. McCaffrey, Ph.D., Vice-Chairman, Rosalie B. Neligh, M.D., Secretary, Jack L. Dodd, M.D., Alexander Ervanian, M.D., Fredrick V. Hetzler, D.O., Reid E. Motley, M.D., Joseph B. Baker, D.O., Ms. Kathryn E. Gammack, are the duly appointed, qualified and acting officers and members of the Iowa State Board of Medical Examiners.

3. That the respondent, James Norbert Lyons, M.D., is a resident of Iowa City, Iowa, and was issued license number 17643 to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Iowa on the 22nd day of February, 1968, as recorded on page 719 of Book 3 of the records of the Iowa State Department of Health.

4. The respondent's license is current until July 1, 1981.

5. That on February 27, 1978, the respondent's practice privileges and employment were terminated at the Iowa Security Medical Facility at Oakdale because he had a problem with alcoholism.

6. That the respondent was treated for alcoholism at the Abbott-Northwestern Hospital at Minneapolis, Minnesota from March 19, 1978 to April 20, 1978.

7. That on June 14, 1978, the respondent signed a consent

order for revocation with probation.

8. That on June 26, 1978, the Commissioner of Public Health issued an order placing the respondent on probation for a period of five years under certain terms and conditions.

9. That the respondent was treated for alcoholism at Independence, Iowa, in September, 1978.

10. That the respondent was treated for alcoholism at Oakdale in December, 1978.

11. That the respondent was treated for alcoholism at the Mayo Clinic at Rochester, Minnesota, during January and February, 1979.

12. That the respondent was treated for alcoholism at the Ridgeview Institute in Atlanta, Georgia, between February and July, 1979.

13. That the respondent appeared at a commitment hearing at St. Luke's Hospital in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on February 5, 1981, in an intoxicated condition.

14. That the respondent was treated for alcoholism at Oakdale during March, 1981.

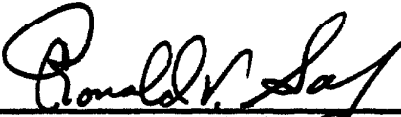
15. That the respondent has violated the terms and conditions of the Commissioner's Order dated June 6, 1978. More specifically:

(a) That the respondent has violated paragraph 6 of the Commissioner's Order dated June 6, 1978 which states:  
"The respondent shall completely abstain from the personal use of alcohol and all controlled substances or drugs in any form unless prescribed for him by a duly licensed physician."

(b) That the respondent has violated paragraph 10 of the Commissioner's order of June 6, 1978, which states:  
"The respondent shall during his period of probation demonstrate the type of exemplary conduct required of a duly licensed physician in the State of Iowa."

WHEREFORE, the complainant prays that the Board enter an Order fixing a time and place of hearing on this Complaint and Statement of Charges, and upon final hearing enter its Findings of Fact and Decision to terminate the respondent's probation, cancel and revoke the Stay of Execution and direct that the Order of Revocation become effective immediately.

IOWA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

BY:   
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Ronald V. Saf, Executive Director  
Iowa Board of Medical Examiners  
State Capitol Complex  
Executive Hills West  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319



BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
OF THE STATE OF IOWA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT  
AND STATEMENT OF CHARGES AGAINST  
JAMES NORBERT LYONS, M.D.,  
RESPONDENT.  
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O R D E R

NOW on the 26th day of June, 1978, the above entitled matter having been filed with the Commissioner of Public Health, on the 23rd day of June, 1978, and the undersigned Commissioner of Public Health, having reviewed the file and being fully advised in the premises, FINDS:

1. That the Respondent and the State Board of Medical Examiners have entered into a stipulation providing that the order of revocation with probation hereinafter issued shall be subject to the following terms and conditions in all matters pertaining to the revocation and probation of the Respondent's license to practice as a physician and surgeon in this State.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the license and certificate to practice as a physician and surgeon in the State of Iowa, heretofore issued to the Respondent, James Norbert Lyons, M.D., on the 22nd day of February, 1968, as evidenced by Certificate No. 17643, recorded in Book 3, at page 719, of the records of the Iowa State Department of Health, be, and the same is hereby revoked; provided, however, that the execution of this order, be and the same is hereby stayed for a period of five years, upon the following terms and conditions:

1. That the Respondent is hereby placed on probation for a period of five (5) years.
2. That the Respondent shall immediately make provision for continuous psychiatric support from a psychiatrist approved by the

ymous program on an ongoing basis and his medical practice is limited to institutional practice only.

3. That Respondent shall authorize any physician who treats him as a patient to submit to the State Board of Medical Examiners a report of his mental or physical condition and prescribed course of treatment. The treating physician shall also submit additional reports whenever, or as often as, the Board shall so direct.

4. The Respondent shall submit to an examination by a physician designated by the State Board of Medical Examiners whenever, or as often as, the Board shall so direct.

5. The discontinuance of medical treatment by the respondent without prior consent of his attending physician or the State Board of Medical Examiners shall automatically and forthwith result in the suspension of the Respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in this state and any attempt to so practice during this period of suspension shall be deemed to be a violation of his probation and good cause for the dissolution of same. The said suspension shall terminate under circumstances in which the Respondent shall resume treatment or care and under circumstances where he shall not otherwise have violated any other provisions herein expressed.

6. The Respondent shall completely abstain from the personal use of alcohol and all controlled substances or drugs in any form, unless prescribed for him by a duly licensed physician.

7. That the Respondent shall remain an active and a participating member of Alcoholics Anonymous. The Respondent shall include in his quarterly reports to the Board, a statement that he has completely abstained from the personal use of alcohol and has conscientiously attended Alcoholics Anonymous meetings.

8. That during the Respondent's period of probation he will be required to undergo periodic urine screening examinations as prescribed by the State Board of Medical Examiners


9. The Respondent shall obey all state and federal laws regarding the administering, dispensing or prescribing of any controlled substance as defined in the Control Substance Act of 1970 and Chapter 204 of the 1975 Code of Iowa.

10. The Respondent shall, during his period of probation demonstrate the type of exemplary conduct required of a duly licensed physician in the State of Iowa.

11. The Respondent shall submit quarterly reports to the Executive Director of the State Board of Medical Examiners stating that he has fully and faithfully complied with all the terms and provisions imposed herein.

12. That during the Respondent's term of probation, he shall make annual appearances before the State Board of Medical Examiners. The Respondent shall be notified of the exact time and place of these annual meetings.

13. That upon full compliance with the terms and conditions herein set forth and upon expiration of the term of probation fixed, Respondent's said license shall be restored to its full privileges free and clear of the terms of the probation herein imposed, provided: however, that in the event the Respondent violates or fails to comply with any of the terms and conditions of this Order of Probation, the State Board of Medical Examiners, upon receipt of satisfactory evidence thereof, may forthwith terminate said probation, cancel and revoke said stay of execution, and direct that the order of revocation herein made shall become effective immediately.

  
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Norman L. Pawlewski  
Commissioner of Public Health  
Robert Lucas State Office Building  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
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2. That John M. Rhodes, M.D., Chairman, Kenneth R. Carrell, D.O., Vice-Chairman, Rosalie B. Neligh, M.D., Secretary, Cyrus L. Beye, M.D., Alexander Ervanian, M.D., Frederick V. Netzler, D.O., Hal R. Hirtleman, M.D., Joseph A. McCaffrey, Ph.D., and Sheila D. Sidles, are the duly appointed, qualified and acting officers and members of the Iowa State Board of Medical Examiners.

3. That the respondent is a resident of Iowa City, Johnson County, Iowa, and is a duly licensed and practicing physician and surgeon in the State of Iowa.

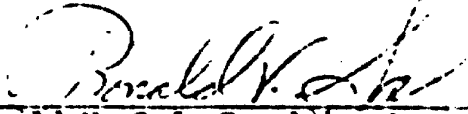
4. That the respondent was issued a license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Iowa on the 22nd day of February, 1968, as evidenced by Certificate No. 17643, recorded in Book 3, at page 719 of the records of the Iowa State Department of Health.

5. That on February 27, 1978, the respondent's practice privileges and employment were terminated at the Iowa Security Medical Facility at Oakdale because he had a problem with alcohol.

6. That the respondent has been treated by Robert A. Coates, M.D., as an inpatient in the alcohol treatment program at the Abbott-Northwestern Hospital, Minneapolis, Minnesota, from March 19, 1978, through April 20, 1978. Doctor Coates is of the opinion that the respondent could continue to practice medicine and surgery with skill and safety and strongly recommends he be allowed to practice. However, Doctor Coates further indicates that the respondent's ability to continue to practice medicine and surgery should be contingent upon the respondent's ongoing participation in Alcoholics Anonymous program.

7. The Complainant charges that the respondent has had a significant alcohol problem which is grounds for the suspension or revocation of his medical license under the provisions of Section 147.55, subsection 4, and Section 148.6, subsection 1(h), of the 1977 Code of Iowa.

WHEREFORE, the Complainant prays that the Board enter an Order fixing a time and place of hearing on this Complaint and Statement of Charges and upon final hearing enter its Findings of Fact and Decision to suspend or revoke the medical license issued to James Norbert Lyons, M.D., on the 22nd day of February, 1968, stay the order of suspension or revocation and place the respondent on probation for a period of five (5) years under terms and conditions prescribed by the Board and for such other and further relief the Board deems just in the premises.

  
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Ronald V. Saf, Complainant  
Executive Director of the Iowa State  
Board of Medical Examiners  
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