## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE CASE NO. 1845

MAY 17 2018 K.B.M.L.

IN RE: THE LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY HELD BY PETER M. STEINER, M.D., LICENSE NO. 32156, 105 CRESCENT AVENUE, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40206

## **COMPLAINT**

Comes now the Complainant Randel C. Gibson, D.O., Chair of the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure's Inquiry Panel B, and on behalf of the Panel which met on May 17, 2018, states for its Complaint against the licensee, PETER M. STEINER, M.D., as follows:

- 1. At all relevant times, Peter M. Steiner, M.D. ("the licensee"), was licensed by the Board to practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
- 2. The licensee's medical specialty is psychiatry.
- 3. On or about June 8, 2017, an FBI agent and DEA Diversion Investigator executed a search warrant on the licensee at his practice address, 6500 Glenridge Park Place, Louisville, Kentucky. Upon their arrival and contact with the licensee, the licensee was observed holding a McDonald's bag and placing the bag into a trash can next to his chair. After the licensee removed two "thick" white envelopes from the credenza, they were immediately recovered from his hand and discovered to contain an undetermined amount of US currency, a list of patient names and amounts and checks. The McDonald's bag was recovered from the licensee's trash can and found to contain a double bagged ziplock bag of marijuana.
- 4. On or about February 28, 2018, the licensee was indicted on one (1) count of tampering with physical evidence, when, believing that an official proceeding may be pending or instituted against himself, he destroyed, mutilated, concealed, removed or altered the

- physical evidence which he believed was about to be produced or used in such official proceeding, with the intent to impair its verity or availability in the official proceeding, in violation of KRS 524.100, a Class D felony.
- 5. On or about February 28, 2018, the licensee was indicted on one (1) count of illegal possession of a controlled substance, by knowingly and unlawfully having in his possession an amount of a controlled substance classified as a Schedule I hallucinogen known as marijuana, in violation of KRS 218A.1422, 502.020, a Class B misdemeanor.
- 6. By his conduct, the licensee has violated the provisions of KRS 311.595(9), as illustrated by KRS 311.597(4).
- 7. Accordingly, legal grounds exist for disciplinary action against his Kentucky medical license.
- 8. The licensee is directed to respond to the allegations delineated in the Complaint within thirty (30) days of service thereof and is further given notice that:
  - (a) His failure to respond may be taken as an admission of the charges;
  - (b) He may appear alone or with counsel, may cross-examine all prosecution witnesses and offer evidence in his defense.
- 9. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a hearing on this Complaint is scheduled for September 12, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, at the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure, Hurstbourne Office Park, 310 Whittington Parkway, Suite 1B, Louisville, Kentucky 40222. Said hearing shall be held pursuant to the Rules and Regulations of the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure and pursuant to KRS Chapter 13B. This hearing shall proceed as scheduled and the hearing date shall only be modified by leave of the Hearing Officer upon a showing of good cause.

WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that appropriate disciplinary action be taken against the license to practice medicine held by PETER M. STEINER, M.D.

This 17th day of May, 2018.

RANDEL C. GIBSON, D.O. CHAIR, INQUIRY PANEL B

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that the original of this Complaint was delivered to Mr. Michael S. Rodman, Executive Director, Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure, 310 Whittington Parkway, Suite 1B, Louisville, Kentucky 40222; a copy was mailed to Thomas J. Hellmann, Esq., Hearing Officer, 810 Hickman Hill Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601; and copies were mailed via certified mail return-receipt requested to the licensee, Peter M. Steiner, M.D., License No. 32156, at 105 Crescent Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky 40206, and 2840 Frankfort Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky 40206 and to his counsel, Tracy S. Prewitt, Esq., Elizabeth A. Beal, Esq., O'Bryan, Brown & Toner, PLLC, 401 South Fourth Street, Suite 2200, Louisville, Kentucky 40202 on this on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2018.

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