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On February 14, 1991, Dimitrios Ioannou Varelas, M.D., surrendered his license to practice medicine, No. 22324, to Mrs. L.D. Beaver, Investigator for the Board.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bryant D. Paris, Jr." followed by a flourish.

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

In re: )  
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DIMITRIOS IOANNOU VARELAS, ) NOTICE OF CHARGES AND  
M.D., ) ALLEGATIONS  
 )  
Respondent. )

To: Dimitrios Ioannou Varelas, M.D.  
5514 McPherson Drive  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28226

You are hereby given notice that the Board of Medical Examiners of the State of North Carolina ("Board") has preferred and does hereby prefer against you the following charges and allegations:

1. You lack professional competence to practice medicine with a reasonable degree of skill and safety for patients as demonstrated by your failure to achieve a passing score on the Special Purpose Examination ("SPEX") administered to you by the Board on Thursday, September 19, 1991.

The above allegations, if proven, would constitute grounds, under N.C. Gen.Stat. § 90-14(a)(11) for the suspension or revocation of the license to practice medicine issued to you by the undersigned Board.

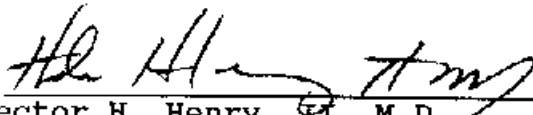
You are further given notice that you will be given an opportunity to appear before the Board in person and by counsel in a hearing concerning the foregoing charges and allegations on the 19th day of March, 1992, at nine o'clock a.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 4700 Creedmoor Road, Raleigh, North Carolina, at which time you may present evidence in your behalf.

In the meantime, you may file, within thirty (3) days, a written response to the foregoing charges if you so desire.


By order of the Board of Medical Examiners of the State of North Carolina, this 9 day of December, 1991.

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

By:

  
Hector H. Henry, M.D.  
President

ATTEST:

  
Bryant D. Paris, Jr.  
Executive Secretary

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

In re: )  
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DIMITRIOS IOANNOU ) ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION  
VARELAS, M.D., )  
 )  
Respondent. )

Whereas, it has been made to appear to the Board of Medical Examiners of the State of North Carolina ("Board") that Dimitrios Ioannou Varelas, M.D. ("Respondent") has failed to achieve a passing score on the Special Purpose Examination ("SPEX") administered to Respondent by the Board on September 19, 1991 ; and

Whereas, it further appears to the Board that the inability of Respondent to achieve a passing score on SPEX is indicative of a lack of professional competence to practice medicine with a reasonable degree of skill and safety for patients; and

Whereas, Respondent is engaged in the active practice of medicine and his apparent lack of professional competence has immediate and serious implications for public health, safety and welfare; and

Whereas, the Board finds that public health, safety and welfare require emergency action.

Now, therefore, pursuant to the provisions of N.C.Gen.Stat. §150B-3(c) it is hereby ORDERED that Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of North Carolina be, and the same hereby is, summarily suspended effective the date upon which a copy of this Order is served upon Respondent.

SO ORDERED, this 9 day of December, 1991.

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

By: Hector H. Henry, II, M.D.  
Hector H. Henry, II, M.D.  
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BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
OF THE  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

In re:	)	
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DIMITRIOS IOANNOU VARELAS,	)	FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS
M.D.,	)	OF LAW AND ORDER
	)	
Respondent.	)	

THIS MATTER came on for hearing and was heard before the Board of Medical Examiners of the State of North Carolina ("Board") on March 19, 1992; and the Board, having heard the testimony and considered the evidence presented, now makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

Findings of Fact

1. Respondent was originally licensed to practice medicine in North Carolina on December 8, 1977.

2. N.C.Gen.Stat. §90-15.1 requires that all licensees of the Board must register with the Board and pay a registration fee during the month of January in every even-numbered year. This statute further provides that should a licensee fail to register and such failure continue for a period of thirty (30) days, the license of such physician may be suspended by the Board. This statute further provides that any license so suspended may be reinstated by the Board upon the payment of all fees and penalties due and subject to the Board requiring the licensee to appear before the Board for a interview and to comply with other licensing requirements.

3. Respondent failed to register with the Board in January of 1988 and such failure continued for more than thirty days.

4. As a result of Respondent's failure to register, on June 10, 1988 the Board acted to suspend Respondent's license for failure to register.

5. Thereafter, Respondent requested of the Board that his license be reinstated and in connection therewith, Respondent was requested to meet informally with the Board for an interview as provided by N.C.Gen.Stat. §90-15.1.

6. Respondent met informally with the Board on January 26, 1991, and as a result of that meeting was requested to surrender his full and unrestricted license to practice medicine and was issued by the Board a temporary license valid until May 30, 1991. The Board further required Respondent to take the Special Purpose Examination ("SPEX") in March of 1991.

7. SPEX is a nationally-recognized examination developed for the purpose of testing clinical knowledge common to all medical practitioners without regard to practice specialty.

8. Respondent took SPEX on March 14, 1991, but failed to achieve a passing score.

9. Thereafter, the Board extended Respondent's temporary license through September 30, 1991 and gave Respondent another opportunity to take SPEX in September of 1991.

10. Respondent again took SPEX on September 19, 1991, and the Board extended his temporary license through September 30, 1992, pending receipt of Respondent's score on the examination.

11. Respondent failed to achieve a passing score on the September 1991 SPEX.



12. By his repeated failures of SPEX, Respondent has demonstrated that he lacks professional competence to practice medicine with a reasonable degree of skill and safety for patients.

Conclusions of Law

Respondent's demonstrated lack of professional competence to practice medicine with a reasonable degree of skill and safety for patients is grounds under N.C.Gen.Stat. §90-14(a)(11) for the revocation of Respondent's temporary license to practice medicine.

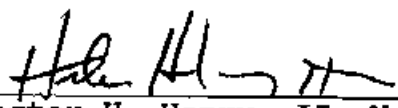
Order

Respondent's temporary license to practice medicine in the State of North Carolina shall be, and it hereby is, revoked.

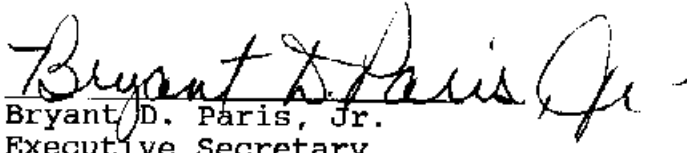
SO ORDERED, this 15 day of April, 1992.

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Hector H. Henry, II, M.D.  
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ATTEST:

  
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