

**These charges are only allegations
which may be contested by the licensee
in an administrative hearing.**

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

OF

JOY SIEGRIST, M.D.

STATEMENT

OF

CHARGES

JOY SIEGRIST, the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about September 4, 2002, by the issuance of license number 226225 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. On or about March 8, 2021, the Medical Board of California (hereinafter, "California Board") issued a Default Decision and Disciplinary Order which revoked Respondent's medical license. In ordering this discipline, the California Board found Respondent's ability to practice medicine safely is impaired as she has a mental illness. Secondly, the California Board found Respondent, on or about August 31, 2020, was convicted of crimes in Virginia which substantially relate to her qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon, specifically, a felony of eluding on October 7, 2019, a felony of eluding on October 9, 2019, and two counts of reckless driving.

B. The conduct resulting in the California Board's disciplinary action against Respondent would constitute misconduct under the laws of New York State pursuant to the following Sections of New York State Law:

1. New York Education Law § 6530(8) (having a psychiatric condition which impairs the licensee's ability to practice); and
2. New York Education Law § 6530(9)(a)(iii) (being convicted of an act constituting a crime under the law of another jurisdiction and which, if committed within this state, would have constituted a crime under New York state law).

C. On or about August 31, 2020, in the Circuit Court of the City of Chesapeake, State of Virginia, Respondent was convicted of two felony counts of "Disregarding signal by law-enforcement officer to stop; eluding police" (Virginia Code § 46.2-817(B)). On April 9, 2021, Respondent was sentenced to a total of four years' incarceration, time served, two years' supervised probation, fines and costs, and suspension of driver's license for two years, during which time Respondent could get a restricted license when eligible and upon request.

D. On or about February 8, 2021, in the Circuit/County Court in the First Judicial Circuit in and for Okaloosa County, Florida, Respondent was convicted of a misdemeanor, "Driving under the influence" (Florida Statute § 316.193(1)).

Respondent, who was convicted of multiple crimes, was sentenced to probation for 11 months and 29 days during which time Respondent is subject to random urinalysis or tests, 50 hours community service, a six-month driver's license suspension, and assessed costs.

E. On or about February 8, 2021, in the Circuit/County Court in the First Judicial Circuit in and for Okaloosa County, Florida, in a second case, Respondent was convicted of a misdemeanor, "Obtaining food or lodging with intent to defraud" (Florida Statute § 509.151). Respondent was ordered to make restitution and assessed costs.

SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

FIRST SPECIFICATION

HAVING HAD DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(9)(d) by having his or her license to practice as a physician assistant revoked, suspended or having other disciplinary action taken, or having his or her application for a license refused, revoked or suspended or having voluntarily or otherwise surrendered his or her license after a disciplinary action was instituted by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct resulting in the revocation, suspension or other disciplinary action involving the license or refusal, revocation or suspension of an application for a license or the surrender of the license would, if committed in New York state, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York state (namely N.Y. Educ. Law §§ 6530(8) and (9)(a)(iii)) as alleged in the facts of the following:

1. The facts in Paragraphs A, B, B.1 and B.2.

SECOND SPECIFICATION

CRIMINAL CONVICTION (Other Jurisdiction)

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(9)(a)(iii) by having been convicted of committing an act constituting a crime under the law of another jurisdiction and which, if committed within this state, would have constituted a crime under New York state law (namely N.Y. Penal Law § 270.25) as alleged in the facts of the following:

2. The facts in Paragraph C.

THIRD SPECIFICATION

CRIMINAL CONVICTION (Other Jurisdiction)

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(9)(a)(iii) by having been convicted of committing an act constituting a crime under the law of another jurisdiction and which, if committed within this state, would have constituted a crime under New York state law (namely N.Y. Vehicle and Traffic Law § 1192(3)) as alleged in the facts of the following:

3. The facts in Paragraph D.

FOURTH SPECIFICATION

CRIMINAL CONVICTION (Other Jurisdiction)

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(9)(a)(iii) by having been convicted of committing an act constituting a crime under the law of another jurisdiction and which, if committed within this state, would have constituted a crime under New York state law (namely N.Y. Penal Law § 165.15(2)) as alleged in the facts of the following:

4. The facts in Paragraph E.

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Albany, New York


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