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BEFORE THE  
OREGON MEDICAL BOARD  
STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of )  
SOROUSH MOHANDESSI, MD ) STIPULATED ORDER  
LICENSE NO. MD126173 )  
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1.

The Oregon Medical Board (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining certain health care providers, including physicians, in the State of Oregon. Soroush Mohandessi, MD (Licensee) is a licensed physician in the State of Oregon.

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On August 9, 2023, the Board issued a Notice of Proposed Disciplinary Action (Notice) in which the Board proposed to take disciplinary action against Licensee pursuant to ORS 677.205(2), specifically, revocation of his medical license; a civil penalty of \$10,000; and assessment of costs of any contested case hearing on the matter not to exceed \$80,000. The Board proposed to take this disciplinary action for violations of the Medical Practice Act, specifically: ORS 677.190(1)(a) unprofessional or dishonorable conduct, as conduct unbecoming a person licensed to practice medicine or detrimental to the best interest of the public, specifically ORS 677.188(4)(a) any conduct or practice contrary to recognized standards of ethics of the medical profession, ORS 677.188(4)(a) conduct which does or might constitute a danger to health of a patient, ORS 677.188(4)(a) a condition which does or might adversely affect a physician's ability safely and skillfully to practice medicine, OAR 847-010-0073(3)(b)(F) sexual misconduct, defined in pertinent part as "behavior that exploits the licensee-patient relationship in a sexual way. The behavior is non-diagnostic and non-therapeutic, may be verbal \* \* \* or other behavior, and may include expressions of thoughts and feelings or gestures that are sexual or that reasonably may be construed by a patient as sexual," and OAR 847-010-0073(3)(b)(F)(ii) Sexual impropriety: Behavior, gestures, or expressions that

1 are seductive, sexually suggestive, or sexually demeaning to a patient or the patient's immediate  
2 family \* \* \* and (IV) sexually explicit communication in person, by mail, by telephone, or by  
3 other electronic means, including but not limited to text message, e-mail, video or social media;  
4 ORS 677.190(7) impairment, as defined by ORS 676.303 in pertinent part as "an inability to  
5 practice with reasonable competence and safety due to \* \* \* a mental health condition; ORS  
6 677.190(13) repeated negligence in the practice of medicine; ORS 677.190(13) gross negligence  
7 in the practice of medicine; ORS 677.190(17) willfully violating a provision of ORS chapter 677,  
8 specifically the prohibition against knowingly make any false statement or representation on a  
9 matter in ORS 677.080(1); and ORS 677.190(17) failing to comply with a board request  
10 pursuant to ORS 677.320.

11 3.

12 Licensee and the Board desire to settle this matter by entry of this Stipulated Order.  
13 Licensee understands that he has the right to a contested case hearing under the Administrative  
14 Procedures Act (Oregon Revised Statutes chapter 183) and, by the signing and issuance of this  
15 Order, Licensee fully and finally waives the right to a contested case hearing, understands and  
16 acknowledges that this order is not subject to judicial review, and acknowledges and agrees that  
17 this Order was signed freely, without fraud or duress. Licensee neither admits nor denies, but the  
18 Board finds that Licensee's conduct as described in the August 9, 2023, Notice of Proposed  
19 Disciplinary Action violated ORS 677.190(1)(a), specifically ORS 677.188(4)(a), OAR 847-010-  
20 0073(3)(b)(F), OAR 847-010-0073(3)(b)(F)(i) and (IV); ORS 677.190(13); and ORS  
21 677.190(17), specifically ORS 677.080(1). The Board makes no findings with respect to  
22 violations of ORS 677.190(7) or ORS 677.190(17) as a failure to comply with a request under  
23 ORS 677.320. Licensee understands that this Order is a public record and is a disciplinary action  
24 that is reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Federation of State Medical  
25 Boards.

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2 Licensee and the Board agree to resolve this matter by the entry of this Stipulated Order  
3 subject to the following terms and conditions:

4 4.1 Licensee's medical license is revoked; however, the revocation is stayed as long  
5 as Licensee is in compliance with all other terms and conditions of this Order. If Licensee fails  
6 to comply with the terms and conditions of this Order, the revocation shall be immediately  
7 effective.

8 4.2 Licensee is reprimanded.

9 4.3 Licensee must pay a civil penalty of \$10,000, with \$2,500 to be paid within 60  
10 days from the effective date of this Order. The remaining \$7,500 is stayed as long as Licensee is  
11 in compliance with all other terms and conditions of this Order. If Licensee fails to comply with  
12 the terms and conditions of this Order, the \$7,500 held in abeyance shall be due and payable

13 4.4 Licensee must limit his medical practice to forensic psychiatry, medication  
14 management, and administrative medicine only. "Administrative medicine," for the purpose of  
15 this Stipulated Order, means Licensee may: advise both public and private organizations on  
16 health care matters, authorize and deny financial payments for care, organize and direct research  
17 programs, review care provided for quality, and other similar duties that do not include  
18 examining, caring for, or treating patients, and do not require direct patient care

19 4.5 Licensee must not practice psychotherapy on any patient.

20 4.6 Licensee must maintain an on-going therapeutic relationship with a healthcare  
21 provider(s) pre-approved by the Board's Medical Director. Licensee must sign all necessary  
22 releases to allow direct communication between the Board and Licensee's healthcare providers,  
23 who will provide regular written reports to the Board at intervals determined by the Board's  
24 Medical Director.

25 4.7 Within three months from the effective date of this Order, Licensee must enter  
26 into a longitudinal, intensive boundaries course that has been pre-approved by the Board's  
27 Medical Director. Licensee must successfully complete the course.

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1           4.8    At the discretion of the Board or its designees, random, no notice chart audits and  
2 office visits may be conducted by Board designees.

3           4.9    Licensee must inform the Compliance Section of the Board of any and all practice  
4 sites, as well as any changes in practice address(es), employment, or practice status within 10  
5 business days. Additionally, Licensee must notify the Compliance Section of any changes in  
6 contact information within 10 business days.

7           4.10   Licensee must obey all federal and Oregon state laws and regulations pertaining  
8 to the practice of medicine.

9           4.11   Licensee stipulates and agrees that any violation of the terms of this Order shall  
10 be grounds for further disciplinary action under ORS 677.190(17).

11          4.12   Five years after the effective date of this Order, Licensee may submit a request to  
12 the Board that the Order be modified or terminated.

13          4.13   Licensee stipulates and agrees that this Order becomes effective the date it is  
14 signed by the Board Chair.

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16                   IT IS SO STIPULATED THIS 27 day of November, 2023.

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18                   SOROUSH MOHANDESSI, MD

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20                   IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 4th day of January, 2024.

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22                   OREGON MEDICAL BOARD  
23                   State of Oregon

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25                   ERIN L. CRAMER, PA-C  
26                   BOARD CHAIR