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August 26, 1992

Mariano M. Piedra, M.D.
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CERTIFIED MAIL
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Dear Dr. Piedra:

This letter is official notification that an informal conference of the Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") will be held on Saturday, October 3, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, 1601 Rolling Hills Drive, Richmond, Virginia. The conference will be conducted pursuant to Sections 54.1-2919 and 9-6.14:11 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code").

An informal conference committee ("Committee"), composed of three members of the Board, will inquire into allegations that you may have violated certain laws governing the practice of medicine in Virginia. Specifically, you may have violated Section 54.1-2915.A(3) as further defined in Section 54.1-2914.A(9), (10) and (13) of the Code, in that:

1. On August 30, 1990 and September 13, 1990, during psychotherapy sessions with Patient A, you made inappropriate personal comments to the patient, as well as pursuing inappropriate questioning regarding this patient's sexual history.

Furthermore, the Board will inquire into the following allegations from a previous complaint that was closed due to the lack of evidence.

2. On at least 3 occasions between July 7, 1986 and March 2, 1987, during psychotherapy sessions, you performed a physical examination on Patient B which consisted of a blood pressure check, and an extended breast examination. In addition on at least 1 occasion, you partially disrobed the patient under the pretense of examining her thigh area. Said examinations were not medically indicated and contrary to sound medical judgment. Furthermore, you failed to document in your records the physical examination and findings on this patient.

In order to protect the privacy of your patients, they have been referred to by letter only. Please see Attachment I of this notice for the identity of the individuals referenced above. You may be represented by an attorney at the informal conference. The following actions may be taken by this Committee:

1. If a majority of the Committee is of the opinion that a suspension or revocation of your license may be justified, the Committee shall present to the Board in writing its findings, and the Board may proceed with a formal hearing;

2. The Committee may notify you in writing that you are fully exonerated of any charge that might affect your right to practice in Virginia;
3. The Committee may reprimand or censure you; or
4. The Committee may place you on probation for such time as it may designate and direct that during such period you furnish the Committee or its chairman, at such intervals as the Committee may direct, evidence that you are not practicing in violation of the provisions of Chapter 29, Title 54.1 of the Code, which governs the practice of medicine in Virginia.

Should you fail to appear at the informal conference the Board may proceed to a formal administrative hearing in order to impose sanctions. Please inform this office whether you intend to appear at the conference at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled date above. Also please provide the Board with a telephone number where you may be reached.

Enclosed you will find copies of the relevant sections of the Administrative Process Act, which governs proceedings of this nature, as well as laws relating to the practice of medicine and the other healing arts in Virginia.

If you have questions concerning this notice, please contact Karen W. Perrine, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline.

Sincerely,



Hilary H. Connor, M.D.
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Virginia Board of Medicine

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Informal Conference Committee
Division of Investigations (91-00692)
Wayne J. Farrar, Director of Public Information
Gloria King, Probation Analyst

Enclosure:

Virginia Code Sections:

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October 14, 1992

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CERTIFIED MAIL
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RE: License No.: 0101-036168

Dear Dr. Piedra:

This letter is official notification of the decision of the informal conference committee ("Committee") which met with you on Saturday, October 3, 1992, in Richmond, Virginia, to inquire into allegations that you may have violated certain laws governing the practice of medicine as set forth in a notice of the Board dated August 26, 1992.

The Committee, after considering the testimony and evidence presented, found that there was insufficient evidence to support the allegations contained in the Board's notice and, therefore, voted to dismiss the matter.

Should you have any questions regarding the Committee's decision, please contact Karen W. Perrine, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline at (804) 662-9929.

Sincerely,

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April 28, 1997

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CERTIFIED MAIL
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Re: License No.: 0101-036168

Dear Dr. Piedra:

This letter is official notification that an informal conference of the Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") will be held on Friday, June 6, 1997, at 2:00 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, 6606 West Broad Street, 4th Floor, Richmond, Virginia. The conference will be conducted pursuant to Sections 54.1-2919 and 9-6.14:11 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code").

An Informal Conference Committee ("Committee"), composed of three members of the Board, will inquire into allegations that you may have violated certain laws governing the practice of medicine in Virginia. Specifically, you may have violated Sections 54.1-2915.A(3), as further defined in Section 54.1-2914.A (9), (10) and (13) of the Code, in that:

Between on or about, October 11, 1989, through September 19, 1991, during your treatment of Patient A, you engaged in unprofessional and unethical conduct, in that you failed to respond in a therapeutic manner to a transference/counter-transference relationship by making inappropriate sexual comments to the patient, by touching and fondling her in a sexual manner, and by rubbing your penis against the patient while hugging.

In order to protect the privacy of your patient, she has been referred to by letter only. Please see Attachment I of this notice for the identity of the individual referenced above. The following actions may be taken by this Committee:

1. If a majority of the Committee is of the opinion that a suspension or revocation of your license may be justified, the Committee shall present to the Board in writing its findings, and the Board may proceed with a formal hearing;

2. The Committee may notify you in writing that you are fully exonerated of any charge that might affect your right to practice medicine in Virginia;
3. The Committee may reprimand or censure you, or;
4. The Committee may place you on probation for such time as it may designate and direct that during such period you furnish the Committee or its chairman, at such intervals as the Committee may direct, evidence that you are not practicing in violation of the provisions of Chapter 29, Title 54.1 of the Code, which governs the practice of medicine in Virginia.


You have the right to information which will be relied upon by the Board in making a decision. Therefore, I enclose a copy of the documents which will be distributed to the members of the Committee and will be considered by the Committee when discussing the allegations with you and when deliberating upon your case. These documents are enclosed only with the original notice sent by certified mail, and must be claimed at the post office. If you have additional documents for review which are not contained in this package, please bring at least six copies with you to the meeting. I also enclose relevant sections of the Administrative Process Act, which govern proceedings of this nature, as well as laws relating to the practice of medicine and other healing arts in Virginia.

A request to continue this proceeding must be made in writing and directed to me at the address listed on this letter. Such request must be received by 5:00 p.m. on May 12, 1997. Only one such motion will be considered. Absent exigent circumstances, such as personal or family illness, a request for a continuance after May 12, 1997, will not be considered.

You may be represented by an attorney at the informal conference. If you obtain counsel, you should do so as soon as possible, as a motion for a continuance due to the unavailability of counsel will not be considered unless received by May 12, 1997. Further, it is your responsibility to provide the enclosed materials to your attorney.

Should you fail to appear at the informal conference the Board may proceed to a formal administrative hearing in order to impose sanctions. Should you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact Karen Perrine, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline, at (804) 662-7693.

Sincerely,


Warren W. Koontz, M.D.
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John Hasty
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Board of Medicine
June 2, 1997

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AMENDED NOTICE

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BY COURIER

Re: License No.: 0101-036168

Dear Dr. Piedra:

This letter is official notification that an informal conference of the Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") will be held on Friday, June 6, 1997, at 1:00 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, 6606 West Broad Street, 4th Floor, Richmond, Virginia. The conference will be conducted pursuant to Sections 54.1-2919 and 9-6.14:11 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code").

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1. Between on or about, October 11, 1989, and September 19, 1991, during your treatment of Patient A, you engaged in unprofessional and unethical conduct, in that you failed to respond in a therapeutic manner to a transference/counter-transference relationship by making inappropriate sexual comments to the patient, by touching and fondling her in a sexual manner, and by rubbing your penis against the patient while hugging.

2. On or about November 9, 1993, during your treatment of Patient B, you engaged in unprofessional and unethical conduct, in that you inappropriately touched the patient's leg in a sexual manner, pulled your penis out of your pants, forced the patient to touch it, and made inappropriate sexual comments to the patient.

In order to protect the privacy of your patients, they have been referred to by letter only. Please see Attachment I of this notice for the identity of the individuals referenced above. The following actions may be taken by this Committee:

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A request to continue this proceeding must be made in writing and directed to me at the address listed on this letter. Such request must be received by 5:00 p.m. on June 16, 1997. Only one such motion will be considered. Absent exigent circumstances, such as personal or family illness, a request for a continuance after June 16, 1997, will not be considered.

You may be represented by an attorney at the informal conference. If you obtain counsel, you should do so as soon as possible, as a motion for a continuance due to the unavailability of counsel will not be considered unless received by June 16, 1997. Further, it is your responsibility to provide the enclosed materials to your attorney.

Should you fail to appear at the informal conference the Board may proceed to a formal administrative hearing in order to impose sanctions. Should you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact Karen Perrine, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline, at (804) 662-7693.

Sincerely,



Warren W. Koontz, M.D.
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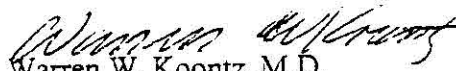
Re: License No.: 0101-036168

Dear Dr. Piedra:

This letter is official notification of the decision of the Informal Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board"), which met with you on Tuesday, September 16, 1997, in Richmond, Virginia, to inquire into allegations that you may have violated certain laws governing the practice of medicine in Virginia, as set forth in the Board's Notice of Informal Conference dated June 2, 1997. After thorough review and consideration of the statements and information presented at the informal conference, the Committee concludes that there was not clear and convincing evidence to substantiate the allegations set forth in the Board's notice of informal conference. Therefore, the Committee voted unanimously to dismiss this matter with no action.

Should you have any questions regarding the Committee's decision, you may refer them to Karen Perrine, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline, at (804) 662-7693.

Sincerely,


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