BEFORE THE WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE

WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE, Petitioner,

v.

Complaint Nos. 14-89-S

OMAR KHALID HASAN, MD, Respondent.

ORDER LIFTING SUSPENSION

BACKGROUND

- 1. Omar Khalid Hasan, MD ("Dr. Hasan") was initially granted a West Virginia medical license, License No. 21693, on September 13, 2004. His area of medical specialty is psychiatry.
- 2. On or about September 15, 2014, the West Virginia Board of Medicine received a patient complaint alleging that Dr. Hasan engaged in professional misconduct.
- 3. The Board's Complaint Committee investigated the complaint, which was designated as Complaint No. 14-89-S.
- 4. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Board made a preliminary determination that probable cause existed to substantiate charges of disqualification from licensure pursuant to W. Va. Code § 30-3-14(p).
- 5. A contested case hearing convened to adjudicate the allegations of professional misconduct on April 25, 26, 27 and 28, 2017.

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- 6. On June 21, 2017, the Board issued a Final Order upon Complaint No. 14-89-S. The Final Order concluded that the Board proved the allegations set forth in Counts I, III, V and VI of the Amended Complaint by clear and convincing evidence. Counts II and IV were not sustained by the Board.
 - 7. Based upon its findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Board ordered:
 - a. That Dr. Hasan's West Virginia Medical license be **SUSPENDED** for a period of **ONE** (1) **YEAR**. The suspension imposed shall remain in effect until it is lifted or otherwise modified pursuant to a subsequent Order issued by the Board;
 - b. That Dr. Hasan is **PUBLICLY REPRIMANDED** for his dishonorable, unprofessional and unethical conduct regarding M.B.
 - c. That Dr. Hasan shall complete, at his own expense, Multidisciplinary Assessment & Evaluation of Professionals program at the Professional Renewal Center in Lawrence, Kansas. Dr. Hasan shall cause the Professional Renewal center to notify the Board ahead of time of his assessment date(s)and provide proof directly to the Board of Dr. Hasan's participation in the initial assessment process within ten days of completion of the process.
 - d. Prior to evaluation by the Professional Renewal Center, Dr. Hasan shall execute all necessary authorizations, releases and written consent forms necessary to permit the open communication and sharing of information between the Board and the Professional Renewal Center regarding: (1) the facts and circumstances which form the basis of Complaint No. 14-89-S including all related documentation; (2) the Professional Renewal Center's assessment and evaluation of Dr. Hasan; (3) all reports, treatment, and aftercare recommendations of the Professional Renewal Center; and (4) all documents and information obtained by the Professional Renewal Center in association with its assessment and evaluation of Dr. Hasan. Failure to provide such consent sufficiently in advance of evaluation as to permit meaningful communication between the Board and the Professional Renewal Center, or the subsequent revocation of such consent, shall constitute a material violation of the Board's Final Order.

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e. That the Board shall not consider lifting or otherwise modifying the suspension of Dr. Hasan's West Virginia medical license until Dr. Hasan makes a written request that his suspension be modified and/or lifted and that the following conditions is met:

Dr. Hasan has completed the Multidisciplinary Assessment & Evaluation of Professionals program at the Professional Renewal Center in Lawrence, Kansas and provides proof satisfactory to the Board of:

- 1. The Professional Renewal Center assessment and evaluation concludes that patient safety would not be jeopardized by Dr. Hasan's return to practice;
- 2. The Professional Renewal Center submits a list of any and all practice recommendations and/or restrictions it may propose in association with a return to practice by Dr. Hasan; and
- 3. Dr. Hasan is in full compliance with any and all treatment and aftercare recommendations of the Professional Renewal Center.
- f. That Dr. Hasan's participation and completion of the Multidisciplinary Assessment & Evaluation of Professionals program at the Professional Renewal Center may not be utilized to satisfy any of his continuing medical education requirements for the state of West Virginia;
- g. That Dr. Hasan shall appear before the Board or a designated Committee thereof on an annual basis, and at any other time requested at the discretion of the Board, to discuss his practice and matters relative to the terms and conditions set forth herein; and
- h. That Dr. Hasan is hereby **ORDERED** to pay the costs and expenses of these proceedings, including, but not limited to, costs associated with the services provided by the Hearing Examiner, the court reporter and expert witness Dr. Wettstein, and all other costs of investigation and prosecution of this matter. Payment shall be made by Dr. Hasan to the Board within thirty (30) days of the issuance of an Invoice by the Board.

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- 17. The Court issued its Mandate, giving final effect to the Opinion, on December 9, 2019.
- 18. To facilitate the transition of care for Petitioner's current patients, Dr. Hasan's period of suspension commenced at 12:01 am on January 9, 2020.
- 19. On February 24, 2021, Dr. Hasan submitted a written request that the suspension of his West Virginia medical license be lifted and that he be authorized to return to the unrestricted practice of medicine in West Virginia.
- 20. In accordance with ¶g of the June 21, 2017 Final Order, Dr. Hasan appeared before the West Virginia Board of Medicine's Complaint Committee on March 7, 2021. Thereafter, the Board sought additional information from Dr. Hasan in support of his petition.
- 21. On May 21, 2021, the Board notified Dr. Hasan that it determined that he had not satisfied the terms of ¶e of the June 21, 2017 Final Order, and the Board therefore could not approve the lifting of the period of suspension until specific compliance with that provision was achieved.
- 22. After May 21, 2021, dialogue ensued to identify an alternative pathway for Dr. Hasan to achieve compliance with the substance of ¶e of the June 21, 2017 Final Order.
- 23. On August 9, 2021, the Board and Dr. Hasan identified a mutually agreeable alternate pathway for ¶e compliance utilizing independent processes offered by the Physician Assessment and Clinical Education program ("PACE") at UC San Diego School of Medicine.

24. On March 4, 2022, the Board received documentation from PACE which satisfies the conditions set forth in ¶e of the June 21, 2017 Final Order, including an endorsement of Dr. Hasan's current fitness to practice medicine and surgery, without professional restriction.

ORDER

On March 14, 2022, having reviewed all relevant materials, the Complaint Committee recommended to the Board that Dr. Hasan has satisfied all conditions set forth in the June 21, 2017 Final Order, and recommended the release of Dr. Hasan from his period of suspension. Thereafter, the Board determined that good cause exists to lift the suspension. Accordingly, the period of suspension imposed upon Dr. Hasan's West Virginia medical license, License No. 21693, is hereby **LIFTED**, and the terms of the June 21, 2017 Final Order are adjudged to be **SATISFIED**. Effective immediately upon the entry of this Order, Dr. Hasan's medical license shall be converted to **ACTIVE STATUS**, with no restrictions or limitations.

This Order shall be entered once the Order, with all required signatures affixed hereupon, is received in the Board's 101 Dee Drive, Charleston, West Virginia, office. The Executive Director of the West Virginia Board of Medicine is hereby authorized to denote the date of entry on behalf of the Board in accordance with this paragraph.

A copy of this Order shall be served upon Dr. Hasan and his counsel, via certified mail, at his address of record, and shall become part of his historical record with the Board.

It is so **ORDERED**.

ENTERED on this, the 44th day of March 2022.

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