STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE
No. C07-098

IN THE MATTER OF ANDREW C. STONE, M.D.

CONSENT ORDER

The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") received notice that the Respondent engaged in unprofessional conduct by engaging in open and gross lewdness. This matter was referred to an investigating committee of the Board. The findings of fact and conclusions of law are set forth below.

FINDINGS OF FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Andrew C. Stone, M.D., hereafter the "Respondent," is a 1999 graduate of the University of Vermont Medical School, Burlington, VT. He also received post-graduate training under Brown University’s program in the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care at Rhode Island Hospital. He was licensed to practice medicine in Rhode Island in 2006. He is thirty-eight years old.

2. He had admitting privileges at Roger Williams Hospital, Rhode Island Hospital and worked at the Veterans Administration Hospital. The Board similarly suspended Respondent’s license to practice in Rhode Island following its investigation into allegations at the Seekonk YMCA, Barrington, Rhode Island, and Northbridge, MA.

3. Rhode Island Hospital suspended his admitting privileges as of December 21, 2006 pending completion of an ongoing criminal investigation.
4. Respondent was arrested and arraigned in the Sixth Division District Court in Providence, Rhode Island for the purpose of extraditing him to Massachusetts to face charges of Open and Gross Lewdness filed by Seekonk Massachusetts police.

5. Respondent plead guilty to four felony counts of open and gross lewdness and was sentenced to serve four months in the Bristol County, MA House of Corrections.

The complaints to the Board implicate the provisions of R.I.G.L.5-37-5.1(3) for unprofessional conduct by Open and Gross Lewdness.

The parties agree as follows:

(a) Respondent is a physician licensed and doing business under and by virtue of the Laws of the State of Rhode Island, allopathic license number, MD12105;

(b) Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board;

(c) Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that it is a proposal of an Investigating Committee of the Board and is subject to the final approval of the Board. This Consent Order is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.

(d) Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:

(1) The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Board;

(2) The right to produce witnesses and evidence in his behalf at a
hearing;

(3) The right to cross-examine witnesses;

(4) The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;

(5) The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;

(6) Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order;

(7) Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Board for consideration and review;

(8) Any objection to the fact that it will be necessary for the Board to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to review adequately this Consent Order;

(9) Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of the presentation of this Consent Order. The signing of this Consent Order is for settlement purposes only.

(a) This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and by the Board.

(b) Failure to comply with this Consent Order, when signed and accepted, shall subject the Respondent to further disciplinary action.

(c) Respondent's license to practice medicine in Rhode Island is revoked by consent. Respondent's eligibility to return to practice may be
considered after a minimum of five-years from the date of the initial suspension, December 21, 2006. The Respondent will have to make a substantial showing of remediation through “inpatient” evaluation and subsequent treatment.

Andrew C. Stone, MD

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline at a meeting held on 11-5-08, 2008.

David R. Gifford, M.D., MPH
Director of Health