

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
JOSEPH F. GRILLO, M.D.
License Number MD11095
Controlled Substances Registration Number CMD11095
BMLD Case Number C11-125**

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF LICENSE

Joseph F. Grillo, M.D. (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as a physician in Rhode Island and is licensed to prescribe controlled substances under Rhode Island General Laws chapter 21-28, having both a state Controlled Substances Registration and a Federal Drug Enforcement Administration Registration to prescribe controlled substances.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent was licensed as a physician in Rhode Island on February 12, 2003, and his primary specialty is family practice. His office is located at 310 Maple Avenue, Barrington, Rhode Island. He is a 1999 graduate of the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.
2. On February 12, 2007, the Board placed Respondent on probation for a five year period for engaging in unacceptable and disruptive behavior while in treatment with the Physician's Health Committee of the Rhode Island Medical Society (hereinafter "PHC").
3. The Director of Health on February 22, 2011, suspended Respondent's physician license after the Respondent's arrest on criminal charges related to a motor vehicle accident that occurred while he was driving under the influence of alcohol.

4. Respondent later pleaded guilty to a charge of driving under the influence, and was fined and ordered to pay restitution for damage he caused.
5. Following the suspension of his license, Respondent continued to work with the Physicians' Health Committee for nearly three years to address the concerns arising from the events leading to suspension of his physician license.
6. Respondent subsequently approached the Board for reinstatement of his license to practice medicine and controlled substance registration. At that time, he produced substantial evidence of remission. Respondent's license was reinstated January 8, 2014, with stipulations such as following the recommendations of the PHC.
7. The PHC notified the Board on October 7, 2015 that Respondent was not fully compliant with the Physician Health Committee Contract and that patient safety was at risk.

Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

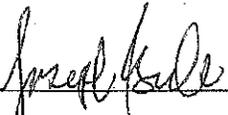
1. Respondent admits to and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.
2. Respondent has read this Voluntary Surrender of his physician license and controlled substance registration and understands that it is a proposal and is subject to the final approval of the Director. This Voluntary Surrender his license is not binding on Respondent until signed by the Director.
3. Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
 - a. The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Board;
 - b. The right to produce witnesses and evidence in his behalf at a hearing;

- c. The right to cross examine witnesses;
- d. The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;
- e. The right to further procedural steps except for specifically contained herein;
- f. Any and all rights of appeal of this Voluntary Surrender of his physician license and controlled substance registration ;
- g. Any objection to the fact that this Voluntary Surrender of his physician license and controlled substance registration may be presented to the Board for consideration and review;
- h. Any objection to the fact that it may be necessary for the Board to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to review adequately this Voluntary Surrender of his physician license and controlled substance registration;
- i. Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of any presentation of this Voluntary Surrender of his physician license and controlled substance registration.

4. This Voluntary Surrender of his physician license and controlled substance registration shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is approved by the Director, and it shall be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank and Federation of State Medical Boards.

5. Failure to comply with this Voluntary Surrender of his physician license and controlled substance registration, when approved by the Director, shall subject the Respondent to disciplinary action.

Signed this 13 day of October, 2015.



Joseph Grillo, M.D.

Approved this 13th day of October, 2015.



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