Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §5-37-5.2, 1956, as amended, (2004 Reenactment) The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (herinafter referred to as "Board") has received information relating to the Respondent being arrested and charged by the Newport police for driving while intoxicated, refusal to submit to a chemical test, driving in possession of a controlled substance, and possession of a controlled substance, and possession of a schedule II drug. The Respondent agrees with and accepts the Voluntary Agreement not to Practice Medicine. The following constitutes the Investigating Committee's Findings of Fact:

Findings of Facts

1. The Respondent, Kristin Ellison, MD is a 1989 graduate of Tufts University School of Medicine and has practiced medicine in Rhode Island since 2001.

2. The Respondent been arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated, refusal to submit to a chemical test, driving in possession of a controlled substance, and possession of a schedule II drug.

3. The Respondent’s clinical hospital privileges have been suspended by the hospital pending further review.

The parties agree as follows:
The Respondent is a physician with an active allopathic license No: MD10678. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.

(1) Respondent has read this Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine 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 Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.

(2) 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 her 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 Agreement Not to Practice Medicine;

g. Any objection to the fact that this Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine will be presented to the Board for consideration and review;
h. 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 Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine;

i. Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of the presentation of this Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine.

(3) If the Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine is not accepted by the Respondent, the Investigative Committee will recommend to the Board that an Administrative Hearing be scheduled with respect to any and all acts of alleged unprofessional conduct. If the Board approves, a Hearing Committee will be convened for the purpose of conducting the Administrative Hearing.

(4) This Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and by the Board.

ORDER

Respondent agrees to voluntarily cease practice. Respondent is Ordered to undergo a mandatory evaluation through the Physician Health Committee of the RI Medical Society as is the standing protocol in these matters. Failure to comply with this Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine, when signed and accepted, shall subject the Respondent to further disciplinary action.
Signed this day of 2/21/12

Kristin Ellison, MD

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline at a meeting held on April 11, 2012.

Michael Fine, MD
Director of Health