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10	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 00-12
11	ARNOLD SHINDER, DO	OAH No. L2001030345
12	16720 Corrington Avenue Cerritos, CA 90703	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND DISCIPLINARY ORDER
13	Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon License No.	Disch mittalet of the second
14	20A5010 Respondent.	
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16	ATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the	
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18	above-entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:	
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21	1. Complainant Linda J. Bergmann is the Executive Director of the	
22	Osteopathic Medical Board of California. She brought this action solely in her official capacity	
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24	William L. Marcus, Deputy Attorney General.	
25		is that he has the right to be represented by
26	counsel in this proceeding, at his own expense; respondent has chosen to represent himself in th	
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28	3. On or about September 9, 19	985, the Osteopathic Medical Board of

California issued Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon License Number 20A5010 to Arnold Shinder, DO ("Respondent"). The Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon License expired on August 31, 1998, and has not been renewed.

<u>JURISDICTION</u>

4. Accusation No. 00-12, was filed before the Osteopathic Medical Board of California ("Board"), and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation, together with all other statutorily required documents, was duly served on Respondent on January 23, 2001, and Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 00-12 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read the Accusation and service packet in Case No. 00-12 and fully understands the nature of the charges and allegations in the Accusation and the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at his own expense, the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him, the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf, the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents, the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision, and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent freely, voluntarily, knowingly and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

- 8. Respondent understands that the charges and allegations in the Accusation, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon his Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon License.
- 9. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in the Accusation No. 00-12.

10. Respondent agrees that his Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon License is subject to discipline and he agrees to be bound by the Board's imposition of discipline as set forth in the Order below.

CONTINGENCY

- 11. This stipulation shall be subject to the approval of the Board. Respondent understands and agrees that Osteopathic Medical Board of California's staff and counsel for Complainant may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Order, except for this paragraph the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 12. The parties agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the original Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and signatures.
- 13. In consideration of the foregoing admissions, stipulations, and recitals, the parties agree that the Board shall, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon License Number 20A5010 issued to Respondent Arnold Shinder, DO is revoked. However, the revocation is stayed and Respondent is placed on probation for five (5) years on the following terms and conditions.

- 1. **Obey All Laws.** Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws, all rules governing the practice of medicine in California, and remain in full compliance with any court ordered criminal probation, payments and other orders.
- 2. Quarterly Reports. Respondent shall submit to the Board quarterly declaration under penalty of perjury on the Quarterly Report of Compliance Form, OMB 10 (5/97) which is hereby incorporated by reference, stating whether there has been compliance with

 3. **Probation Surveillance Program.** Respondent shall comply with the Board's probation surveillance program. Respondent shall, at all times, keep the Board informed of his addresses of business and residence which shall both serve as addresses of record. Changes of such addresses shall be immediately communicated in writing to the Board. Under no circumstances shall a post office box serve as an address of record.

Respondent shall also immediately inform the Board, in writing, of any travel to any areas outside the jurisdiction of California which lasts, or is contemplated to last, more than thirty (30) days.

- 4. Interviews With Medical Consultants. Respondent shall appear in person for interviews with the Board's medical consultants upon request at various intervals and with reasonable notice.
- 5. Cost Recovery. The Respondent is hereby ordered to reimburse the Board the amount of \$8,729.50 within 90 days from the effective date of this decision for its investigative and prosecution costs. Failure to reimburse the Board's cost of its investigation and prosecution shall constitute a violation of the probation order, unless the Board agrees in writing to payment by an installment plan because of financial hardship.
- 6. License Surrender. Following the effective date of this decision, if Respondent ceases practicing due to retirement, health reasons, or is otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, Respondent may voluntarily tender his certificate to the Board. The Board reserves the right to evaluate the Respondent's request and to exercise its discretion whether to grant the request, or to take any other action deemed appropriate and reasonable under the circumstances. Upon formal acceptance of the tendered license, Respondent will no longer be subject to the terms and conditions of probation.
- 7. Tolling for Out-of-State Practice or Residence, or In-State Non-Practice (Inactive License). In the event Respondent should leave California to reside or to practice outside the State or for any reason should Respondent stop practicing medicine in

California, Respondent shall notify the board or its designee in writing within ten days of the dates of departure and return or the dates of non-practice within California. Non-practice is defined as any period of time exceeding thirty days in which Respondent is not engaging in any activities defined in Section 2051 and/or 2052 of the Business and Professions Code. All time spent in an intensive training program approved by the Board or its designee in or out of state shall be considered as time spent in the practice of medicine. Periods of temporary or permanent residence or practice outside California or of non-practice within California, as defined in this condition, will not apply to the reduction of the probationary period.

- 8. **Diversion Program Alcohol and Drugs.** Within 30 days of the effective date of this decision, at Respondent's cost, Respondent shall enroll and participate in the Board's Diversion Program until the Board determines that further treatment and rehabilitation is no longer necessary. Quitting the program without permission or being expelled for cause shall constitute a violation of probation by Respondent.
- 9. **Biological Fluid Testing.** Respondent shall immediately submit to biological fluid testing, at Respondent's cost, upon the request of the Board or its designee.
- 10. **Drugs Abstain from Use.** Respondent shall abstain completely from the personal use or possession of controlled substances as defined in the California Uniform Controlled Substances Act, and dangerous drugs as defined by the Business and Professions Code, or any drugs requiring a prescription except for ordering or possessing medications lawfully prescribed to Respondent for a bona fide illness or condition by another practitioner.
- 11. **Medical Ethics Course.** Within 60 days of the effective date of this decision, Respondent shall submit to the Board for its prior approval a course in medical ethics which Respondent shall successfully complete during the first year of probation.
- 12. **Probation Violation/Completion of Probation.** If Respondent violates probation in any respect, the Board may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order that was stayed after giving Respondent notice and the opportunity to be heard. If an Accusation and/or Petition to revoke is filed against Respondent during probation, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction until the matter is final, and the period of probation shall be extended

	until the matter is final. Upon successful completion of probation, Respondent's certificate wil	
	be fully restored.	
	ACCEPTANCE	
•	I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and	
:	fully understand the terms and conditions and other matters contained therein, I understand the	
(effect this stipulation will have on my Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon License. I enter into	
;	this Stipulated Settlement freely, voluntarily, knowingly and intelligently and agree to be bound	
8	by the Disciplinary Order and Decision of the Ostcopathic Medical Board of California. I further	
9	agree that a facsimile copy of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including	
10	facsimile copies of signatures, may be used with the same force and effect as the originals.	
11	DATED: 5-8-01	
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14	ARNOLD SHINDER, D.O. Respondent	
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17	ENDORSEMENT	
18	The foregoing Stipulated Semlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully	
19	submitted for consideration by the Osteopathic Medical Board of California.	
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21	DATED: May 31,2001	
22	BILL LOCKYER, Attorney General	
23	of the State of California	
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25	WILLIAM L. MARCUS	
26	Deputy Attorney General	
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DECISION AND ORDER OF THE OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order in Case No. 00-12 is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Osteopathic Medical Board of California in the above-entitled matter. An effective date of May 31 , 2001, has been assigned to this Decision and Order. Made this 31st day of May, 2001. JAMES M. LALLY, D.O., PRESIDENT OSTE PATHIC MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

BILL LOCKYER, Attorney General 1 Of the State of California WILLIAM L. MARCUS, 2 Deputy Attorney General, State Bar No. 66706 300 South Spring Street, Suite 500 3 Los Angeles, California 90013 Telephone: (213) 897-2535 4 Attorneys for Complainant 5 6 7 8 **BEFORE THE** OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL 9 **BOARD OF CALIFORNIA** 10 In the Matter of the Accusation Against: 11 No. 00-12 12 ARNOLD SHINDER, D.O. ACCUSATION 16415 South Colorado Avenue, Suite 401 Paramount, California 90273 13 14 Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon License No. 20A5010 15 Respondent. 16 17 Complainant, Linda J. Bergmann, for causes for discipline alleges: 18 She is the Executive Director of the Osteopathic Medical Board of 1. the State of California (hereinafter the "Board"), and makes and files this accusation 19 solely in her official capacity. 20 21 22 **LICENSE HISTORY** 23 On September 9, 1985, the Osteopathic Medical Board of California 2. issued osteopathic physician and surgeon license number 20A5010 to Arnold Shinder, 24 D. O. (hereinafter "respondent"). At all times relevant herein, the license was in full 25 force and effect and expired on August 31, 1998. 26 27 111

STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

- 3. Business and Professions Code section 118(b) (hereinafter the "Code") provides that the suspension, expiration, or forfeiture by operation of law of a certificate does not deprive the Board of authority or jurisdiction to institute or continue with disciplinary action against the certificate or to order suspension or revocation of the certificate, during the period within which the certificate may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.
- 4. Business and Professions Code section 3600 provides that the law governing licentiates of the Board is found in the Osteopathic Act and the Medical Practice Act.
- 5. Section 2 of the Osteopathic Act provides, that the Board shall enforce those provisions of the Medical Practice Act identified as Article 12 (commencing with section 2220) of Chapter 5 of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code as now existing or hereafter amended as to persons who hold certificates subject to the jurisdiction of the Osteopathic Medical Board.
- 6. Section 2234 of the Code states that the Division of Medical Quality shall take action against any licensee who is charged with unprofessional conduct. In addition to the provisions of this article, unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited. to:
 - (a) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provision of this chapter.
- (f) Any action or conduct which would have warranted the denial of a certificate.
- 7. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct any licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act, to pay the Board a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Administer of a Controlled Substance to Oneself)

- 8. Respondent has subjected his license to discipline pursuant to section 2234, subdivisions (a) and (f), of the Code on the grounds of unprofessional conduct for violating section 2242(a) of the Code and sections11170 and 11154(a) of the Health and Safety Code. On or in or about the following dates, Respondent obtained and used the indicated drugs, each of which was a controlled substance pursuant to Schedule II (Health and Safety Code section 11055) Schedule III (Health and Safety Code section 11056) or Schedule IV (Health and Safety Code section 11057) of the California Controlled Substances Act, without a prescription and without medical indication or a good faith prior examination and for other than legitimate medical purposes:
 - a. In or about 1996, Respondent obtained and used Xanax for himself.
- b. From about June 1996 to at least February 1997, Respondent obtained and used amphetamines for himself.
- c. In or about October and November 1997, Respondent obtained and used both opiates and benzodiazepnes for himself.
- d. In or about February 1998, Respondent obtained and used barbiturates for himself.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Possession of a Controlled Substance)

- 9. Respondent has further subjected his license to discipline pursuant to section 2234, subdivisions (a) and (f) of the Code on the grounds of unprofessional conduct for violating sections 11173(a), 11170 and 11377 of the Health and Safety Code, in the following respects:
 - a. On a unknown date, but prior to June 1996, Respondent obtained

without a prescription or other legal authorization a bottle of amphetamines for his own use which Respondent thereafter, from at least June 1996 through February 1997, possessed and used without a prescription, medical indication, good faith prior examination, or a legitimate medical purpose. Respondent, at all times mentioned herein, knew he was not authorized to take, possess, or use the bottle of amphetamines without a prescription or other legal authorization.

WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a hearing be held and that following said hearing that the Osteopathic Medical Board of California makes its order:

- Revoking or suspending Osteopathic physician and surgeon license number 20A5010 issued to Arnold Shinder, D.O.
- 2 Issue an order compelling the respondent to reimburse the Board for the reasonable costs and its investigation, enforcement and prosecution of this matter, up to the day of hearing.
 - Taking such other and further action as the Board deems proper.

Executive Officer

of California

Complainant

Osteopathic Medical Board

DATED: You 16, 2000

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