

THE MATTER OF THE * BEFORE THE
COMPLAINT AGAINST * SOUTH DAKOTA STATE
ALIMADAD M. JATOI, M.D. * BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Alimadad M. Jatoi, M.D., holds South Dakota medical license 0482 issued by the South Dakota State Board of Medical examiners (Board) on or about May 26, 1961.

2. Dr. Jatoi's South Dakota medical license is currently in full force and effect and was in full force and effect at all times and dates material and relevant to the matters alleged in the complaint.

3. Dr. Jatoi worked at the Bariatric Medicine Clinic of Dallas (the Clinic) from about September or October of 1996 until August or September of 1997.

4. During the time Dr Jatoi worked at the Clinic, he practiced medicine, treated patients, and prescribed medications.

5. While working at the Clinic, Dr. Jatoi treated patient C.S.

6. Patient C.S. had an abnormal EKG when she presented to the Clinic.

7. Patient C.S. provided the Clinic with her EKG.

8. Dr Jatoi prescribed Phentermine and Pondimin to patient C.S. from October 1996 until he left the Clinic in August or September 1997, with no work up of her heart condition.

9. Dr. Jatoi continued to prescribe Phentermine and Pondimin to patient C.S. after she attained her ideal weight range.

10. Dr Jatoi failed to practice medicine in an acceptable manner consistent with public health and welfare.

11. While working at the Clinic, Dr. Jatoi treated patient M.W.

12. Dr. Jatoi prescribed Bontril to patient M.W. for about a year for a desired weight loss of five to ten pounds.

13. Dr. Jatoi failed to practice medicine in an acceptable professional manner consistent with public health and welfare.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the above Findings of Fact, the Board concludes the following:

1. The Board of Medical Examiners (Board) has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 36-4.

2. Dr. Jatoi was disciplined by the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners on or about April 30, 2002.

3. The Board has authority to take disciplinary action against Dr. Jatoi pursuant to SDCL 36-4-30 (24).

4. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action by the Board pursuant to SDCL 36-4-29 and SDCL 36-4-30.

ORDER

Based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Board ORDERS that Respondent's South Dakota license is hereby SUSPENDED for a period of three (3) years, however, after thirty (30) days from the date this Order becomes final, the suspension shall be automatically STAYED and the Respondent shall be placed on PROBATION under the following terms and conditions:

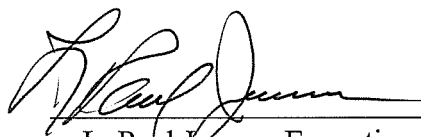
1. Respondent shall limit his medical practice, including any office and

inpatient practice, to an institutional setting approved in advance in the discretion of the Executive Secretary of the Board. In order to monitor compliance with this provision, Respondent shall inform the Board in writing of Respondent's practice setting and/or of any change in Respondent's practice setting. Respondent shall provide a copy of this Order to the institution setting administrator.

2. Respondent shall not engage in the practice of bariatric medicine.

3. Respondent shall obtain at least fifty (50) hours per year of Continuing Medical Education (CME) approved for Category I credits by the American Medical Association. The required hours shall be at least one course in the area of medical record keeping and one course in the area of ethics. Upon request Respondent shall submit to the Board proof of the prior year's CME attendance by this Order's anniversary date. Upon request Respondent shall submit proof to the Board of CME hours attended in the current year even though such may not meet the 50-hour requirement. A copy of the attendance certificate issued or a detailed report which can be readily verified by the Board shall satisfy this requirement.

SIGNED AND ENTERED by the Executive Secretary of the South Dakota Board of Medical Examiners on this 24th day of March, 2003.



L. Paul Jensen, Executive Secretary
South Dakota Board of Medical
Examiners