

THE SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD
OF
MEDICAL AND OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SOUTH
DAKOTA BOARD OF MEDICAL
AND OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS
MEDICAL LICENSE #2629 ISSUED
TO JEROME K. HOWE, MD

STIPULATION

AND

AGREEMENT

This Stipulation and Agreement, made and entered into by the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners, hereinafter referred to as Board, by and through its duly appointed Investigative Review Panel (IRP), and licensee Jerome K. Howe, MD, hereinafter referred to as Dr. Howe, witnesseth:

The Board is in receipt of information regarding certain derogatory, threatening and inflammatory comments that were made by Dr. Howe to a news reporter, which were published in a local newspaper.

As a result, Dr. Howe was disciplined by the facility where he works and was directed to undergo an evaluation by an agency to assess his anger management issues, unprofessional conduct, and disruptive behavior.

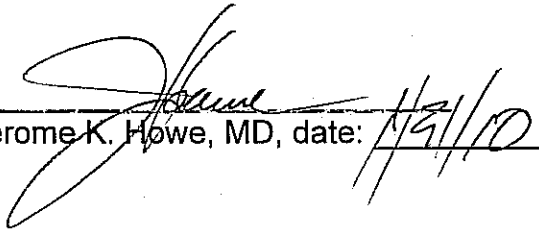
Subsequently, Dr. Howe met with members of the IRP and admitted that his conduct was unprofessional and in violation of the South Dakota Medical Practices Act.

Based upon the above, the parties have agreed to the following:

1. Dr. Howe, at his sole expense, agrees to participate at Acumen Assessments in Lawrence, Kansas in (a) at least two days of individual meetings and counseling and (b) a workshop on disruptive physicians. He further agrees that he shall comply with all of Acumen's recommendations;
2. Dr. Howe shall contact Acumen Assessments to make appointments for the two days of meetings and counseling, and enroll in the workshop. He shall provide the Board with proof of his appointment dates prior to February 15, 2010;
3. Dr. Howe, at his sole expense, agrees that he shall return to Acumen Assessments in six (6) months to assess whether there has been improvement, and he further agrees that he shall follow any additional recommendations by Acumen Assessments;

4. Dr. Howe shall sign Acumen's release of information form which allows them to provide all information and documentation, whether written or verbal, to the Board; and
5. Dr. Howe agrees to unconditionally waive any objection to the release of the Board's investigative file to Acumen Assessments.

Dr. Howe may consult with an attorney and have this document reviewed by an attorney; however, if no attorney signs this document, Dr. Howe understands and agrees that he has waived this right.


Jerome K. Howe, MD, date: 1/9/10

Attorney for Dr. Howe (optional), date: _____


Margaret B. Hansen, Executive Director, SDBMOE, date: 2/5/2010

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IN THE MATTER OF THE SOUTH	*	
DAKOTA BOARD OF MEDICAL	*	ORDER TO
AND OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS	*	APPROVE STIPULATION
LICENSE #2629 ISSUED TO	*	AND AGREEMENT
JEROME K. HOWE, MD	*	

Jerome K. Howe, MD, is the holder of medical license #2629 of the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners, hereinafter referred to as Board, and the Board has jurisdiction of the parties and subject matter herein.

Dr. Howe's medical license was placed under investigation by the Board's Investigative Review Panel due to his admitted unprofessional conduct.

Dr. Howe and the Board entered into a Stipulation and Agreement wherein he agreed to attend meetings and a workshop on disruptive physicians at Acumen Assessments.

The Board informed Dr. Howe that the Stipulation and Agreement is a public document that shall be published on the Board's Web site and reported as deemed necessary by the Board and in accordance with state and federal law.

THEREFORE, the Stipulation and Agreement is approved.

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By Margaret B. Hansen Date: 2/5/10
Margaret B. Hansen, Executive Director, SDBMOE