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September 16, 1992

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CERTIFIED MAIL
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RE: November 11 & 12, 1992 Formal Hearing
License No. 0101-020185

Dear Dr. Speckhart:

Pursuant to Sections 54.1-110, 54.1-2400, 54.1-2920 and 9-6.14:12 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), you are hereby given notice that the Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") will hold a formal administrative hearing before a panel of the Board to receive and act upon evidence that you may have violated certain laws and regulations as set forth in the attached Statement of Particulars.

You have been scheduled to appear before the Board on Wednesday and Thursday, November 11 and 12, 1992 at 8:30 a.m. at the Marriott Hotel Waterside, 235 E. Main Street, Norfolk, Virginia 23510. A map is enclosed for your convenience. Your presence is required 30 minutes in advance of the appointed time. Please check at the desk for the exact location of the meeting and wait outside the room. You will be called when the Board is ready to meet with you.

You may be represented by counsel and may summon witnesses on your behalf. Should you wish to subpoena witnesses, requests for subpoenas must be made in writing to Hilary H. Connor, M.D., Executive Director, Virginia Board of Medicine, 1601 Rolling Hills Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23229-5005, in accordance with the enclosed Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas. If you plan to introduce materials at this meeting, please have 20 copies available for distribution to the Board. Please indicate by letter to this office your intention to be present.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Hilary H. Connor".

Hilary H. Connor, M.D.
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Enclosures:

Virginia Code Sections:

54.1-110
54.1-2400
54.1-2914
54.1-2915
54.1-2920
54.1-3421
9-6.14:12
9-6.14:14.1

Statement of Particulars

Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICINE

IN RE: VINCENT J. SPECKHART, M.D.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

In addition to the matters set forth in the Board's notice dated September 14, 1992 the Board alleges that Vincent J. Speckhart, M.D., may have violated Sections 54.1-2915.A (1), (4) and (3) as further defined in Section 54.1-2914.A (9), (10), (13) and (14) and 54.1-3421 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, in that:

1. Between the period July 27, 1987 and February 26, 1988, in the treatment of Patient A, who had previously been diagnosed with Stage 1-B, squamous cell carcinoma of the cervix, you inappropriately initiated immune alteration therapy under the guise of legitimate bio-medical research with an autogenous vaccine regimen consisting of a urine or stool specimen taken from the patient which is cultured and developed into a vaccine which is administered orally and/or injected intramuscularly. Said treatment is without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgment.

2. Between the period August 7, 1987 and May 9, 1990, in the treatment of Patient B, who had previously been diagnosed with infiltrating duct cell carcinoma of the left breast, Stage II, you inappropriately initiated immune alteration therapy under the guise of legitimate bio-medical research with an autogenous vaccine regimen consisting of a urine or stool specimen taken from the patient which is cultured and developed into a vaccine which is administered orally and/or injected intramuscularly. Said treatment is without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

3. Between the period December 12, 1988 and May 1990, in the treatment of Patient C, a 17 year old who had been previously diagnosed with lymphoblastic

T-cell lymphoma, you inappropriately initiated treatment with Vitamin A and a hydrogen peroxide IV after recommending that she not resume chemotherapeutic treatment. The patient was hospitalized in January, 1989, at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital with a final diagnosis of "pseudo tumor cerebri", secondary to "intoxification from excessive doses of Vitamin A" (Beta Carotene). Said treatment is without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

4. In October, 1990, you inappropriately utilized an unaccepted medical diagnostic procedure, to wit; (EAV) "Electro-Acupuncture of Vol", to diagnose a recurrent carcinoma of the right breast in Patient D, whom you had previously treated post-operatively for a carcinoma of the left breast in 1989. Based upon this inappropriate diagnostic procedure, you improperly recommended a homeopathic treatment regimen without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement and notwithstanding your knowledge of an October 16, 1990, normal radiology report.

5. During the period October 6, 1989 and December 27, 1989, in the treatment of Patient E, who had a 23 year history of recurring metastatic breast cancer, you recommended and initiated an experimental therapy consisting of daily injections of "LODI" or chorionic gonadotrophin, a human growth hormone to be increased to twice a day if the tumor did not decrease. Said treatment is without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

6. Between the period November 29, 1989 and October, 1991, during your treatment of Patient F, an individual who had suffered from a seizure disorder since 1978 following a car accident and who had developed a severe degree of right cerebellar atrophy, under the guise of legitimate medical treatment, you recommended the patient undergo testing on an experimental computer device known as an (EAV) "Electro-Acupuncture of Vol" machine and diagnosed this patient as suffering from mercury and lead toxicity of the brain. You thereafter treated this patient with a homeopathic remedies regimen, partially including "syphilinum, cicuta, lymphaphlex, kali-carb, metalogin, candida, bella, cuprum and ferrum

phosphate." Said treatment is without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

7. On April 12, 1990, Patient G presented to you complaints of light headedness, upper back pain, mitral valve prolapse, depression, and yeast infections. This patient was examined and a diagnosis was made by you utilizing a computerized "bio-energetic testing machine" which, based on your own admission, provides for a "spectral analysis of wave forms generated by cells with organs acting as capacitors." Assisted by a computer printout, you diagnosed this patient as suffering from: 1) mercury toxicity in the brain and nerves from the amalgams in her teeth; 2) lead toxicity in the lymph nodes and spleen due to chemicals from work; and 3) mitral valve prolapse associated with candida albicans, a yeast infection. You thereafter recommended a "detoxification regimen" for this patient and prescribed daily sublingual dosages of "neuroplex, metalogen, hepatoplex, lymphoplex, dentox, candida, and mercury solubis." A serum analysis, performed on Patient G by the Norfolk Public Health Department on May 23, 1990, revealed lead and mercury levels well within normal limits. Said examination, treatment, and remedies prescribed by you are without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

8. Between June 6, 1990 and December 10, 1991, following a metastasis to the bone following a left mastectomy for a hormone receptor negative carcinoma in 1988, under the guise of legitimate bio-medical research, you improperly recommended and initiated treatment of Patient H, with an immune alteration therapy, utilizing an autogenous vaccine regimen consisting of a urine or stool specimen taken from the patient which is then cultured and developed into a vaccine which is administered orally and/or injected intramuscularly. Furthermore, you inappropriately utilized an unaccepted medical diagnostic procedure, to wit; (EAV) "Electro-Acupuncture of Vol", and recommended a homeopathic treatment regimen without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

9. On July 16, 1990 and October 3, 1990, in the treatment of Patient I, who had previously been diagnosed with a generalized seizure disorder, under the guise of legitimate medical practice you evaluated this patient's medical status by utilizing an experimental computer device designated as an (EAV) "Electro-Acupuncture of Vol" machine and diagnosed this patient as having herpes zoster, lyssin focus in the left cerebrum, and neurotransmatic disfunction due to herpes zoster. Thereafter, you recommended a homeopathic treatment regimen consisting of "herpes zoster formula, cicuta 6X, lyssin nosodes, vermex, candida albicans, methylglyoxal, histamine, staphylococcinum and apis mill." Said treatment was without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

10. In early 1991, when requested by Patient J to discontinue adjuvant chemotherapy treatment for post-surgical bilateral breast cancer, you recommended under the guise of legitimate medical practice, that she submit to a medical evaluation to be conducted by you utilizing an experimental computer device designated as an (EAV) "Electro-Acupuncture of Vol" machine for the purpose of determining the future necessity of treatment. Said treatment was without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

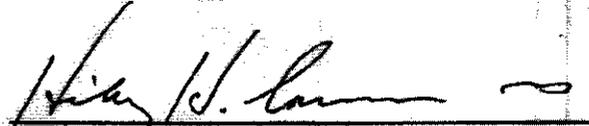
11. On March 13, 1991, as part of your initial consultation of Patient K, an individual who was previously diagnosed with large cell lymphoma of the bone, under the guise of legitimate medical practice, you inappropriately evaluated this patient by utilizing an unaccepted medical diagnostic procedure, to wit; (EAV) "Electro-Acupuncture of Vol". You thereafter recommended a homeopathic treatment regimen consisting of ornithogalum 30 C, anthrachinon and visc quercus. Said evaluation and treatment was without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

12. On March 25, 1991, as part of your initial consultation of Patient L, an individual previously diagnosed with scirrhous adenocarcinoma of the left breast, under the guise of legitimate medical practice, you inappropriately evaluated this

patient utilizing an unaccepted medical diagnostic procedure, to wit, (EAV) "Electro-Acupuncture of Vol". You thereafter improperly recommended a homeopathic treatment regimen consisting of "syphilinum, carnosin, calamus aromaticus, trichinoyl, genplex, vermex, kali-carb, aconite, arnica and medorrhinum." Said treatment was without accepted therapeutic purpose and contrary to sound medical judgement.

13. During the period September 23, 1987 through April 28, 1988, following treatment of Patient M with chemotherapy for Stage IV Hodgkin's disease, you thereafter, beginning on or about August 1990 through December 28, 1990, based on an unaccepted medical diagnostic procedure, to wit; (EAV) "Electro-Acupuncture of Vol", inappropriately initiated homeopathic treatment for what you improperly diagnosed as herpes zoster while ignoring the patient's progressive complaints including back pain, night sweats and recurrent fever. Further, when the patient developed anemia on December 7, 1990, you failed to order additional appropriate diagnostic tests and inappropriately continued the homeopathic treatment. On December 28, 1990, Patient M was hospitalized by another physician for spasticity of both lower extremities and marked bi-lateral weakness. An emergency MRI revealed a large extradural mass compressing the spinal cord in the mid-thoracic region, secondary to recurrent Hogkin's disease.

FOR THE BOARD



Hilary H. Connor, M.D.
Executive Director
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