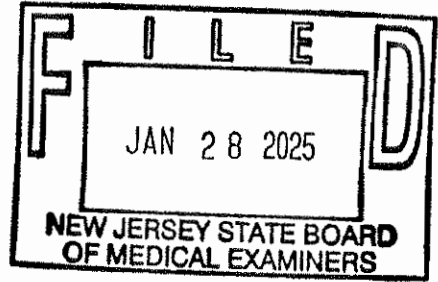


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION  
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF

**Ahmad Kahf, M.D.**  
**License No. 25MA04477400**

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY  
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

**FINAL CONSENT ORDER**

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") upon receipt of information that Ahmad Kahf, M.D., License No. 25MA04477400 ("Respondent"), a cardiologist with offices in Haledon, New Jersey, was arrested on June 9, 2023 on charges of criminal sexual contact, a violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:14-3A(1). Specifically, the Board received information that Respondent acted in an inappropriate manner with an individual who accompanied Respondent's patient to an appointment on May 15,

2023. The victim surreptitiously recorded the interaction with Respondent on her phone .

On October 11, 2023, Respondent entered into an Interim Consent Order with the Board for the temporary suspension of his medical license pending the outcome of the criminal case and further Board order.

On November 7, 2023, Respondent was indicted by a grand jury and then April 30, 2024 was admitted into the pre-trial intervention program ("PTI") for a period of 12 months, after which, and upon successful completion of the PTI, Respondent's criminal charges would be dismissed. By the terms of the PTI order, Respondent is precluded from practicing medicine for the duration of his participation in the program and is restricted from making any contact with the alleged victim.

Respondent, without admission or denial of the allegations, however, in the interest of avoiding any further investigation or proceedings, has agreed to enter into this Final Consent Order.

The evidence demonstrates that Respondent's conduct constitutes sexual misconduct in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h), specifically N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.3(h) and (i) and in so doing violates N.J.S.A 45:1-21(c), (d) and (e). Further, Respondent does not possess the good moral character required by N.J.S.A. 45:9-6 to serve as a healthcare professional in New Jersey.

Respondent desiring to resolve this matter without the need of a formal hearing, and it appearing that Respondent has read the terms of the within Final Consent Order and understands their meaning and effect and, on the advice of counsel, agrees to be bound by same, and the Board finding the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and further finding that good cause exists for the entry of this Final Consent Order:

IT IS, therefore, on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of JANUARY, 2024<sup>5</sup>

ORDERED and AGREED that:

1. Respondent, Ahmad Kahf, M.D., is hereby granted leave to and shall retire his license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey, with such retirement to be deemed a permanent revocation of his license. The revocation of Respondent's license shall be with prejudice and he shall have no right to reapply for licensure at any future time.

2. Respondent shall continue to cease and desist from having patient contact at any location and refrain from the rendering of medical care, including the issuance of any prescription for, or dispensation of, medications of any kind, including but not limited to Controlled Dangerous Substances.

3. Respondent shall continue to refrain from entering the premises of his former medical office when patients may be present. However, Respondent may continue to enter his former medical

practice after business hours when patients are not present to perform administrative and business tasks.

4. Respondent shall not charge, receive, or share in any fee for professional services rendered by others. Respondent shall be permitted to collect accounts receivable with respect to professional services that he rendered prior to October 11, 2023, the date the Interim Consent Order was entered.

5. If he has not already done so, Respondent shall comply with N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.5(h), the Board regulation for practice closure. Respondent shall notify Antonia Winstead, Executive Director, New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners, 140 East Front Street, P.O. Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183 regarding where his patient records are secured, and how patients may obtain them.

6. If he has not already done so, Respondent shall return his original New Jersey license, current biennial registration and CDS registration to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners, 140 E. Front Street, P.O. Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183.

7. If he has not already done so, Respondent shall send all of his remaining prescription blanks, along with a cover memorandum indicating that he will no longer be writing prescriptions and asking that his prescription blanks be destroyed pursuant to standard operating procedures, to Dana Pulizzano, Executive Director, Enforcement Bureau Drug Control Unit, P.O. Box 45045, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

8. If he has not already done so, Respondent shall divest himself from any current and future financial interest in or benefit derived from the practice of medicine, including but not limited to the provision of healthcare activities taking place at 401 Haledon Ave Suite # 4, Haledon, NJ 07508, Respondent's former medical office, or anywhere else.

9. Given that Respondent's retirement from the practice of medicine is deemed a permanent revocation, he shall not manage, oversee, supervise or influence the practice of medicine or provision of healthcare activities, including by testifying as an expert witness or serving as an expert consultant, in the State of New Jersey at any time in the future.


10. Nothing in this Order shall preclude the Board, the Attorney General, the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs or any other regulatory or law enforcement agency from initiating further action, investigation and prosecution based upon Respondent's conduct. This Final Consent Order shall be a full and fair resolution by this Board of all violations and facts expressly referenced herein. The Board shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Final Consent Order.

11. The annexed "Directives Applicable to Any Medical Board Licensee Who is Disciplined or Whose Surrender of Licensure or Cessation of Practice Has Been Ordered or Agreed Upon," is incorporated herein.

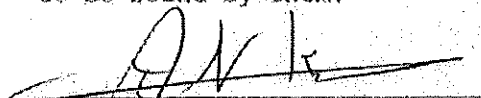
12. Respondent's failure to comply with any provision of this Final Consent Order may result in subsequent disciplinary proceedings for, but not limited to, failure to comply with an Order of the Board.

13. Respondent enters into this Final Consent Order knowingly and voluntarily and acknowledges that there have been no other representations or agreements not stated in writing herein.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS


By   
Otto Sabando, D.O.  
Board President

I have read the within Final Consent Order,  
understand its terms and agree  
to be bound by them.

  
Ahmad Kahf, M.D.

1/22/25  
Dated

Consent is hereby given  
as to the form and entry of  
this Final Consent Order.

  
Alan Blankstein, Esq.  
Attorney for the Respondent

1/22/2025  
Dated

**NOTICE OF REPORTING PRACTICES OF BOARD  
REGARDING DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

All Orders filed by the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners are "government records" as defined under the Open Public Records Act and are available for public inspection, copying or Examination. See N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1, et seq., N.J.S.A. 52:14B-3(3). Should any inquiry be made to the Board concerning the status of a licensee who has been the subject of a Board Order, the inquirer will be informed of the existence of the Order and a copy will be provided on request. Unless sealed or otherwise confidential, all documents filed in public actions taken against licensees, to include documents filed or introduced into evidence in evidentiary hearings, proceedings on motions or other applications conducted as public hearings, and the transcripts of any such proceedings, are "government records" available for public inspection, copying or examination.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:9-22, a description of any final board disciplinary action taken within the most recent ten years is included on the New Jersey Health Care Profile maintained by the Division of Consumer Affairs for all licensed physicians. Links to copies of Orders described thereon are also available on the Profile website. See <http://www.njdoctorlist.com>.

Copies of disciplinary Orders entered by the Board are additionally posted and available for inspection or download on the Board of Medical Examiners' website. See <http://njconsumeraffairs.gov/bme>.

Pursuant to federal law, the Board is required to report to the National Practitioner Data Bank (the "NPDB") certain adverse licensure actions taken against licensees related to professional competence or conduct, generally including the revocation or suspension of a license; reprimand; censure; and/or probation. Additionally, any negative action or finding by the Board that, under New Jersey law, is publicly available information is reportable to the NPDB, to include, without limitation, limitations on scope of practice and final adverse actions that occur in conjunction with settlements in which no finding of liability has been made. Additional information regarding the specific actions which the Board is required to report to the National Practitioner Data Bank can be found in the NPDB Guidebook issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in April 2015. See <http://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/resources/npdbguidebook.pdf>.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:9-19.13, in any case in which the Board refuses to issue, suspends, revokes or otherwise places conditions on a license or permit, the Board is required to notify each licensed health care facility and health maintenance organization in this state with whom he or she is directly associated in private medical practice.

In accordance with an agreement with the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, a list of all disciplinary orders entered by the Board is provided to the Federation on a monthly basis.

From time to time, the Press Office of the Division of Consumer Affairs may issue press releases including information regarding public actions taken by the Board.

Nothing herein is intended in any way to limit the Board, the Division of Consumer Affairs or the Attorney General from disclosing any public document.