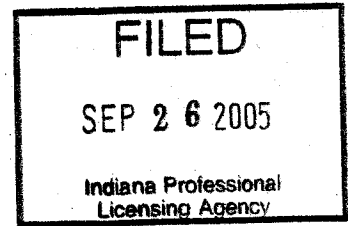


IN THE MATTER OF )  
LEONARD BALL, M.D. )  
LICENSE NO. 01039149A, )



ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S ORDER

Comes now N. Stacy Lankford, M.D., the Administrative Law Judge designated by the Board in this proceeding, and hearing having been held, now issues and files his order. Notice is hereby given that any objection to the Administrative Law Judge's Order must be filed with the Board, identifying the basis of the objection with reasonable particularity, no later than eighteen days from the date of issuance of this order unless such date is a Saturday, a Sunday, a legal holiday under state statute or a day that the Health Professions Bureau's offices are closed during regular business hours in which case the deadline would be the first day thereafter that is not a Saturday, a Sunday, a legal holiday under state statute or a day that the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency's offices are closed during regular business hours. This Administrative Law Judge's Order is not the final order of the Board in this proceeding. However, in the absence of any objection, the Board either will affirm the Administrative Law Judge's Order as its final order or will serve notice of its intent to review any issue related to the Administrative Law Judge's Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. This matter is before the Board on Leonard Ball, M.D.'s (hereinafter "petitioner") petition for removal of his probation. On April 12, 1991, he was issued a license to practice medicine in Indiana on probation with various limitations imposed. This action was based on discipline imposed on his medical licenses in Mississippi and Louisiana under circumstances that would have subjected an Indiana license to discipline had he committed the underlying offenses in this state.

2. The petitioner has established that the deficiency that required disciplinary action has been remedied. He testified that he has complied with the terms of his probation and has presented a letter from psychiatrist stating that in his opinion the petitioner could practice with an unencumbered license.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Indiana Code Section 25-1-9-17 and Indiana Code Section 25-22-5-5-2.5 allow the Board under appropriate circumstances to grant an application for licensure by issuing a probationary license. Both sections provide for the Board removing limitations on a license if, after a hearing, the Board determines that the deficiency requiring disciplinary action has been remedied.

2. Because he has established that the deficiency that required disciplinary action has been remedied, the petitioner qualifies for removal of the limitations on his license and therefore removal of the probationary status.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Petitioner's petition for removal of his probation is granted and therefore his probation, and the limitations thereunder, are removed.

ISSUED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2005.

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Administrative Law Judge

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