



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Olympia, Washington 98504

RE: Scott F. Mennella, M.D.,
Master Case No.: M2016-462
Document: Summary Action Order

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**STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMISSION**

In the Matter of:

SCOTT F. MENNELLA, M.D.,
License No: MD.MD.00022793,

Respondent.

Master Case No. M2016-462

EX PARTE ORDER OF
SUMMARY SUSPENSION

PRESIDING OFFICER: Roman S. Dixon Jr., Health Law Judge

COMMISSION PANEL: William Gotthold, M.D., Panel Chair
John Maldon, Public Member
Peter Marsh, M.D.

This matter came before the Medical Quality Assurance Commission (Commission) on May 10, 2016, on an Ex Parte Motion for Summary Action (Ex Parte Motion) brought by the Office of the Attorney General. The Department of Health Medical Program (Department) issued a Statement of Charges alleging Respondent violated RCW 18.130.180(9). After reviewing the Statement of Charges, Ex Parte Motion, and supporting evidence, the Commission GRANTS the Ex Parte Motion. Respondent's license to practice as a physician and surgeon is SUSPENDED pending further action.

1. FINDINGS OF FACT

1.1 Scott F. Mennella, M.D. (Respondent) is a physician and surgeon licensed by the state of Washington at all times applicable to this matter.

1.2 The Department issued a Statement of Charges alleging Respondent has committed unprofessional conduct pursuant to RCW 18.130.180(9) by failing to comply with the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Final Order, entered

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January 20, 2016 (Final Order). The Statement of Charges was accompanied by all other documents required by WAC 246-11-250.

1.3 As set forth in the allegations in the Statement of Charges, as well as the Ex Parte Motion and exhibits, Respondent failed to timely comply with Paragraph 4.5 of the Final Order requiring that he undergo a psychological evaluation. Section 6 of the Final Order states the Commission may bring additional charges of unprofessional conduct under RCW 18.130.180(9).

1.4 The above allegations, supported by the Declaration of Compliance Officer in Support of Motion for Summary Action and attached exhibits, justify the determination of an immediate danger to the public in this case and a decision to immediately suspend the Respondent's license until a hearing on the matter is held.

2. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

2.1 The Commission, has jurisdiction over Respondent's credential to practice as a physician and surgeon. RCW 18.130.040.

2.2 The Commission has authority to take emergency adjudicative action to address an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare. RCW 34.05.422(4), RCW 34.05.479. RCW 18.130.050(8), and WAC 246-11-300.

2.3 The Findings of Fact establish the existence of an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare if Respondent has an unrestricted license. The Findings of Fact establish that the requested summary action is necessary and adequately addresses the danger to the public health, safety, or welfare.

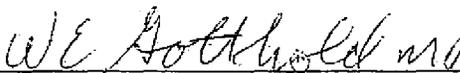
3. ORDER

3.1 Based on the Findings of Fact and the Conclusions of Law, it is ORDERED that Respondent's license to practice as a physician and surgeon is SUMMARILY SUSPENDED pending further disciplinary proceedings by the Commission. Respondent shall immediately deliver all licenses, (including wall, display, and/or wallet, if any), to the Commission.

3.2 It is HEREBY ORDERED that a protective order in this case is GRANTED. RCW 34.05.446(1) and WAC 246-11-400(2) and (5). This Protective Order prohibits the release of health care information outside of these proceedings. Unless required by law, anyone involved in these proceedings must keep confidential and not disclose health care information obtained through these proceedings. Health care information includes information in any form "that identifies or can readily be associated with the identity of a patient and directly relates to the patient's health care." RCW 70.02.010(16). The parties may share the information with their attorney, if any.

Dated this 10th day of May, 2016.

Medical Quality Assurance Commission



WILLIAM GOTTHOLD, M.D.
PANEL CHAIR

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