BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD

In re:)	
)	NOTICE OF CHARGES
Donald William Durrance, M.D.)	AND ALLEGATIONS;
)	NOTICE OF HEARING
Respondent.)	

The North Carolina Medical Board (hereinafter Board) has preferred and does hereby prefer the following charges and allegations:

- 1. The Board is a body duly organized under the laws of North Carolina and is the proper party to bring this proceeding under the authority granted it in Article 1 of Chapter 90 of the North Carolina General Statutes.
- 2. The Board first issued Donald William Durrance, M.D. (hereinafter Dr. Durrance) a license to practice medicine on or about May 24, 1997, license number 97-00535.
- 3. Dr. Durrance is also licensed to practice medicine in the State of Florida.
- 4. The Department of Health of the State of Florida (hereafter Florida Board) charged Dr. Durrance in an administrative complaint dated July 20, 2004 with practicing below the standard of care for failing to note multiple acute, as well as other healing bilateral rib fractures demonstrated in an X-ray film of a three-month-old patient in his interpretive report dated March 8, 2002.

- 5. Dr. Durrance neither admitted nor denied the allegations contained in the complaint, but entered a Consent Order dated April 12, 2005 with the Florida Board wherein he agreed to pay a fine, perform community service, obtain continuing medical education credits, and was issued a letter of concern.
- 6. The April 12, 2005 Order of the Florida Board constitutes Dr. Durrance having a license to practice medicine restricted or acted against by the licensing authority of any jurisdiction within the meaning N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(13) and grounds exist under that section of the North Carolina General Statutes for the Board to annul, suspend, revoke, or limit Dr. Durrance's license to practice as a physician or to deny any application he might in the future make for a license to practice medicine.

Notice to Dr. Durrance

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14.2, it is hereby ordered that a hearing on the foregoing Notice of Charges and Allegations will be held on February 15, 2006 at 8:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as the Board may hear it, at the offices of the Board, 1203 Front Street, Raleigh, NC, to continue until completed. The hearing will be held pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-40, 41, and 42, and N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14.2, 14.4, 14.5, and 14.6. You may appear personally and through counsel,

may cross-examine witnesses and present evidence in your own behalf.

You may, if you desire, file written answers to the charges and complaints preferred against you within 30 days after the service of this notice.

The right to be present during the hearing of this case, including any such right conferred or implied by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-40(d), shall be deemed waived by a party or his counsel by voluntary absence from the hearing at a time when it is known that proceedings, including deliberations, are being conducted, or are about to be conducted. In such event the proceedings, including additional proceedings after the Board has retired to deliberate, may go forward without waiting for the arrival or return of counsel or a party.

This the 23rd day of November , 2005.

NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD

Bv:

Robert C. Moffatt, M.D.

President

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned attorney for the Medical Board hereby certifies that on this date she served the foregoing Notice of Charges and Allegations; Notice of Hearing to the Respondent Donald William Durrance, M.D., by depositing a copy thereof in the United States mail, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows:

Donald William Durrance, M.D. 9204 King Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-1328

This the 23rd day of November, 2005.

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