

**BEFORE THE
MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Accusation
Against:

Donald Fredric Mills, M.D.

Physician's and Surgeon's
Certificate No. G 54273

Respondent.

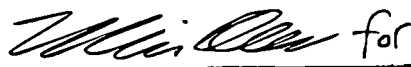
Case No.: 800-2023-101938

**ORDER CORRECTING NUNC PRO TUNC
CLERICAL ERROR IN DECISION**

On its own motion, the Medical Board of California (hereafter "Board") finds that there is a clerical error in the Decision of the above-entitled matter, and that such clerical error shall be corrected.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Decision in the above-entitled matter be and is hereby amended and corrected nunc pro tunc as of the date of entry of the Order to reflect on Page 2, Line 1, the Respondent's name is *Donald Fredric Mills, M.D.*

March 27, 2025



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DECISION

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on March 21, 2025.

IT IS SO ORDERED March 14, 2025.

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA



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13 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 800-2023-101938

14 **DONALD FREDRIC MILLS, M.D.**
15 **20 Black Falcon**
Irvine, CA 92603-0420

**STIPULATED SURRENDER OF
LICENSE AND DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

16 **Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate**
17 **No. G 54273,**

18 Respondent.

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20 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
21 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

22 **PARTIES**

23 1. Reji Varghese (Complainant) is the Executive Director of the Medical Board of
24 California (Board). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this
25 matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Carolyn M. Westfall,
26 Deputy Attorney General.

27 2. On or about December 17, 2024, in the matter of the *Conservatorship of Donald*
28 *Fredric Mills, M.D.*, Superior Court County of Orange, Case No. 30-2024-01388539-PR-CP-

1 CMC, Donald Frederic Mills, M.D. (Respondent) was determined to be unable to properly
2 provide for his personal needs for physical health, food, clothing, or shelter. On that same date,
3 the Superior Court ordered Zachary Tyler Mills as the Conservator of Respondent and of
4 Respondent's estate.

5 3. Respondent, but way of his Conservator Zachary Tyler Mills, is represented in this
6 proceeding by attorney Raymond J. McMahon, Esq., whose address is: 5440 Trabuco Road,
7 Irvine, CA 92620.

8 4. On or about February 4, 1985, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate
9 No. G 54273 to Respondent. That license expired on May 31, 2024, and has not been renewed.

10 5. On or about December 4, 2024, following a noticed hearing, an Interim Order of
11 Suspension was issued by the Office of Administrative Hearings, immediately suspending
12 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 54273, and prohibiting Respondent from practicing
13 medicine in the State of California. As a result, Respondent remains suspended from the practice
14 of medicine pending the issuance of a final decision on the Accusation.

15 JURISDICTION

16 6. On or about September 6, 2024, Accusation No. 800-2023-101938 was filed before
17 the Board and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily
18 required documents were properly served on Respondent on September 6, 2024. Respondent
19 and/or his Conservator timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of
20 Accusation No. 800-2023-101938 is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

21 ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

22 7. Respondent and/or his Conservator has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel,
23 and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 800-2023-101938. Respondent
24 and/or his Conservator also has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the
25 effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order.

26 8. Respondent and/or his Conservator is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter,
27 including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to
28 confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify

1 on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses
2 and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse
3 decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other
4 applicable laws.

5 9. Having the benefit of counsel, Respondent and/or his Conservator voluntarily,
6 knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

7 **CULPABILITY**

8 10. Respondent and/or his Conservator admits that, at an administrative hearing,
9 Complainant could establish a *prima facie* case with respect to the charges and allegations
10 contained in Accusation No. 800-2023-101938, agrees that Respondent has thereby subjected his
11 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 54273 to discipline, and hereby surrenders his
12 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 54273 for the Board's formal acceptance.

13 11. Respondent and/or his Conservator understands that if Respondent ever petitions for
14 reinstatement of his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 54273, all of the charges and
15 allegations contained in Accusation No. 800-2023-101938, shall be deemed true, correct, and
16 fully admitted by Respondent for purposes of any such proceeding or any other licensing
17 proceeding involving Respondent in the State of California or elsewhere.

18 12. Respondent and/or his Conservator understands that by signing this stipulation,
19 Respondent and/or his Conservator enables the Executive Director of the Board to issue an order,
20 on behalf of the Board, accepting the surrender of Respondent's Physician's and Surgeon's
21 Certificate No. G 54273 without further process.

22 **CONTINGENCY**

23 13. Business and Professions Code section 2224, subdivision (b), provides, in pertinent
24 part, that the Medical Board "shall delegate to its executive director the authority to adopt a ...
25 stipulation for surrender of a license."

26 14. Respondent and/or his Conservator understands that, by signing this stipulation,
27 Respondent enables the Executive Director of the Board to issue an order, on behalf of the Board,

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1 accepting the surrender of Respondent's Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 54273
2 without further notice to, or opportunity to be heard by, Respondent.

3 15. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order shall be subject to the
4 approval of the Executive Director on behalf of the Board. The parties agree that this Stipulated
5 Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order shall be submitted to the Executive Director for his
6 consideration in the above-entitled matter and, further, that the Executive Director shall have a
7 reasonable period of time in which to consider and act on this Stipulated Surrender of License and
8 Disciplinary Order after receiving it. By signing this stipulation, Respondent and/or his
9 Conservator fully understands and agrees that Respondent may not withdraw his agreement or
10 seek to rescind this stipulation prior to the time the Executive Director, on behalf of the Medical
11 Board, considers and acts upon it.

12 16. The parties agree that this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order
13 shall be null and void and not binding upon the parties unless approved and adopted by the
14 Executive Director on behalf of the Board, except for this paragraph, which shall remain in full
15 force and effect. Respondent and/or his Conservator fully understands and agrees that in deciding
16 whether or not to approve and adopt this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order,
17 the Executive Director and/or the Board may receive oral and written communications from its
18 staff and/or the Attorney General's Office. Communications pursuant to this paragraph shall not
19 disqualify the Executive Director, the Board, any member thereof, and/or any other person from
20 future participation in this or any other matter affecting or involving Respondent. In the event
21 that the Executive Director on behalf of the Board does not, in his discretion, approve and adopt
22 this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order, with the exception of this paragraph,
23 it shall not become effective, shall be of no evidentiary value whatsoever, and shall not be relied
24 upon or introduced in any disciplinary action by either party hereto. Respondent and/or his
25 Conservator further agrees that should this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary
26 Order be rejected for any reason by the Executive Director on behalf of the Board, Respondent
27 and/or his Conservator will assert no claim that the Executive Director, the Board, or any member

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1 thereof, was prejudiced by its/his/her review, discussion and/or consideration of this Stipulated
2 Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order or of any matter or matters related hereto.

3 **ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS**

4 17. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties
5 herein to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final and exclusive embodiment of
6 the agreements of the parties in the above-entitled matter.

7 18. The parties agree that copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary
8 Order, including copies of the signatures of the parties, may be used in lieu of original documents
9 and signatures and, further, that such copies shall have the same force and effect as originals.

10 19. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree the
11 Executive Director of the Board may, without further notice to or opportunity to be heard by
12 Respondent and/or his Conservator, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order on behalf of
13 the Board:

14 **ORDER**

15 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 54273, issued
16 to Respondent Donald Fredric Mills, M.D., is surrendered and accepted by the Board.

17 1. The surrender of Respondent's Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate and the
18 acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline
19 against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part
20 of Respondent's license history with the Board.

21 2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a physician and surgeon in
22 California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.

23 3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board his pocket license and, if one was
24 issued, his wall certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.

25 4. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in
26 the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must
27 comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked or
28 surrendered license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations

1 contained in Accusation No. 800-2023-101938 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted
2 by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.

3 5. Respondent shall pay the agency its costs of investigation and enforcement in the
4 amount of \$19,088.25 (nineteen thousand eighty-eight dollars and twenty-five cents) prior to
5 issuance of a new or reinstated license.

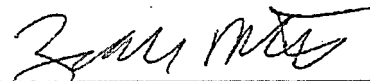
6 6. If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or
7 petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of
8 California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 800-2023-101938 shall
9 be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of
10 Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.

11 ACCEPTANCE

12 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order and
13 have fully discussed it with my attorney Raymond J. McMahon, Esq. I understand the stipulation
14 and the effect it will have on Respondent's Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate. I enter into this
15 Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently,
16 and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California.

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18 DATED:

02/12/2025


ZACHARY TYLER MILLS

Conservator on behalf of
DONALD FREDRIC MILLS, M.D.
Respondent

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22 I have read and fully discussed with Zachary Tyler Mills, Conservator on behalf of
23 Respondent Donald Fredric Mills, M.D., the terms and conditions and other matters contained in
24 this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order. I approve its form and content.

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26 DATED: February 12, 2025


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ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Medical Board of California of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

DATED: 2/12/25

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 800-2023-101938

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A C C U S A T I O N

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22 the Executive Director of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs
23 (Board).

24 2. On or about February 4, 1985, the Medical Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's
25 Certificate No. G 54273 to Donald Fredric Mills, M.D. (Respondent). The Physician's and
26 Surgeon's Certificate expired on May 31, 2024, and has not been renewed.

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4. Section 118 of the Code states:

(b) The suspension, expiration, or forfeiture by operation of law of a license issued by a board in the department, or its suspension, forfeiture, or cancellation by order of the board or by order of a court of law, or its surrender without the written consent of the board, shall not, during any period in which it may be renewed, restored, reissued, or reinstated, deprive the board of its authority to institute or continue a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee upon any ground provided by law or to enter an order suspending or revoking the license or otherwise taking disciplinary action against the licensee on any such ground.

5. Section 822 of the Code states:

(a) Revoking the licentiate's certificate or license.

(b) Suspending the licentiate's right to practice.

(c) Placing the licentiate on probation.

(d) Taking such other action in relation to the licensee as the licensing agency in its discretion deems proper.

The licensing section shall not reinstate a revoked or suspended certificate or license until it has received competent evidence of the absence or control of the condition which caused its action and until it is satisfied that with due regard for the public health and safety the person's right to practice his or her profession may be safely reinstated.

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1 6. Section 2227 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

2 (a) A licensee whose matter has been heard by an administrative law judge of
3 the Medical Quality Hearing Panel as designated in Section 11371 of the Government
4 Code, or whose default has been entered, and who is found guilty, or who has entered
 into a stipulation for disciplinary action with the board, may, in accordance with the
 provisions of this chapter:

5 (1) Have his or her license revoked upon order of the board.

6 (2) Have his or her right to practice suspended for a period not to exceed one
7 year upon order of the board.

8 (3) Be placed on probation and be required to pay the costs of probation
 monitoring upon order of the board.

9 (4) Be publicly reprimanded by the board. The public reprimand may include a
10 requirement that the licensee complete relevant educational courses approved by the
 board.

11 (5) Have any other action taken in relation to discipline as part of an order of
12 probation, as the board or an administrative law judge may deem proper.

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14 7. Section 2236 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

15 (a) The conviction of any offense substantially related to the qualifications,
16 functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon constitutes unprofessional conduct
17 within the meaning of this chapter [Chapter 5, the Medical Practice Act]. The record
 of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction
 occurred.

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19 (d) A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction after a plea of nolo contendere is
20 deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this section and Section 2236.1.
21 The record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence of the fact that the conviction
 occurred.

22 8. Section 2239 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

23 (a) The use or prescribing for or administering to himself or herself, of any
24 controlled substance; or the use of any of the dangerous drugs specified in Section
25 4022, or of alcoholic beverages, to the extent, or in such a manner as to be dangerous
26 or injurious to the licensee, or to any other person or to the public, or to the extent that
 such use impairs the ability of the licensee to practice medicine safely or more than
 one misdemeanor or any felony involving the use, consumption, or
 self-administration of any of the substances referred to in this section, or any

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1 combination thereof, constitutes unprofessional conduct. The record of the
2 conviction is conclusive evidence of such unprofessional conduct.¹
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4 9. Section 2228.1 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

5 (a) On and after July 1, 2019, except as otherwise provided in subdivision (c),
6 the board...shall require a licensee to provide a separate disclosure that includes the
7 licensee's probation status, the length of the probation, the probation end date, all
8 practice restrictions placed on the licensee by the board, the board's telephone
9 number, and an explanation of how the patient can find further information on the
10 licensee's probation on the licensee's profile page on the board's online license
11 information internet web site, to a patient or the patient's guardian or health care
12 surrogate before the patient's first visit following the probationary order while the
13 licensee is on probation pursuant to a probationary order made on and after July 1,
14 2019, in any of the following circumstances:

15 (1) A final adjudication by the board following an administrative hearing or
16 admitted findings or prima facie showing in a stipulated settlement establishing any
17 of the following:
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19 (B) Drug or alcohol abuse directly resulting in harm to patients or the extent
20 that such use impairs the ability of the licensee to practice safely.
21 ...

22 (2) An accusation or statement of issues alleged that the licensee committed any
23 of the acts described in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1), and a
24 stipulated settlement based upon a nolo contendere or other similar compromise that
25 does not include any prima facie showing or admission of guilt or fact but does
26 include an express acknowledgment that the disclosure requirements of this section
27 would serve to protect the public interest.

28 (b) A licensee required to provide a disclosure pursuant to subdivision (a) shall
obtain from the patient, or the patient's guardian or health care surrogate, a separate,
signed copy of that disclosure.

(c) A licensee shall not be required to provide a disclosure pursuant to
subdivision (a) if any of the following applies:

(1) The patient is unconscious or otherwise unable to comprehend the
disclosure and sign the copy of the disclosure pursuant to subdivision (b) and a
guardian or health care surrogate is unavailable to comprehend the disclosure and
sign the copy.

¹ There is a nexus between a physician's use of alcoholic beverages and his or her fitness
to practice medicine, established by the Legislature in section 2239, "in all cases where a licensed
physician used alcoholic beverages to the extent or in such a manner as to pose a danger to
himself or others." (*Watson v. Superior Court (Medical Board)* (2009) 176 Cal.App.4th 1407,
1411.)

1 (2) The visit occurs in an emergency room or an urgent care facility or the visit
2 is unscheduled, including consultations in inpatient facilities.

3 (3) The licensee who will be treating the patient during the visit is not known to
4 the patient until immediately prior to the start of the visit.

5 (4) The licensee does not have a direct treatment relationship with the patient.

6 (d) On and after July 1, 2019, the board shall provide the following
7 information, with respect to licensees on probation and licensees practicing under
8 probationary licenses, in plain view on the licensee's profile page on the board's
9 online license information internet web site.

10 (1) For probation imposed pursuant to a stipulated settlement, the causes
11 alleged in the operative accusation along with a designation identifying those causes
12 by which the licensee has expressly admitted guilt and a statement that acceptance of
13 the settlement is not an admission of guilt.

14 (2) For probation imposed by an adjudicated decision of the board, the causes
15 for probation stated in the final probationary order.

16 (3) For a licensee granted a probationary license, the causes by which the
17 probationary license was imposed.

18 (4) The length of the probation and end date.

19 (5) All practice restrictions placed on the license by the board.

20 (e) Section 2314 shall not apply to this section.

21 COST RECOVERY

22 10. Business and Professions Code section 125.3 states that:

23 (a) Except as otherwise provided by law, in any order issued in resolution of a
24 disciplinary proceeding before any board within the department or before the
25 Osteopathic Medical Board upon request of the entity bringing the proceeding, the
26 administrative law judge may direct a licensee found to have committed a violation or
27 violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the
28 investigation and enforcement of the case.

(b) In the case of a disciplined licensee that is a corporation or a partnership,
the order may be made against the licensed corporate entity or licensed partnership.

(c) A certified copy of the actual costs, or a good faith estimate of costs where
actual costs are not available, signed by the entity bringing the proceeding or its
designated representative shall be prima facie evidence of reasonable costs of
investigation and prosecution of the case. The costs shall include the amount of
investigative and enforcement costs up to the date of the hearing, including, but not
limited to, charges imposed by the Attorney General.

(d) The administrative law judge shall make a proposed finding of the amount
of reasonable costs of investigation and prosecution of the case when requested
pursuant to subdivision (a). The finding of the administrative law judge with regard
to costs shall not be reviewable by the board to increase the cost award. The board

1 may reduce or eliminate the cost award, or remand to the administrative law judge if
2 the proposed decision fails to make a finding on costs requested pursuant to
subdivision (a).

3 (e) If an order for recovery of costs is made and timely payment is not made as
4 directed in the board's decision, the board may enforce the order for repayment in any
5 appropriate court. This right of enforcement shall be in addition to any other rights
the board may have as to any licensee to pay costs.

6 (f) In any action for recovery of costs, proof of the board's decision shall be
conclusive proof of the validity of the order of payment and the terms for payment.

7 (g)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the board shall not renew or
8 reinstate the license of any licensee who has failed to pay all of the costs ordered
under this section.

9 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the board may, in its discretion,
10 conditionally renew or reinstate for a maximum of one year the license of any
11 licensee who demonstrates financial hardship and who enters into a formal agreement
with the board to reimburse the board within that one-year period for the unpaid
costs.

12 (h) All costs recovered under this section shall be considered a reimbursement
13 for costs incurred and shall be deposited in the fund of the board recovering the costs
to be available upon appropriation by the Legislature.

14 (i) Nothing in this section shall preclude a board from including the recovery of
15 the costs of investigation and enforcement of a case in any stipulated settlement.

16 (j) This section does not apply to any board if a specific statutory provision in
17 that board's licensing act provides for recovery of costs in an administrative
disciplinary proceeding.

18 FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

19 (Use of Alcoholic Beverages to the Extent, or in a Manner, as to be Dangerous to Respondent, Another Person, or the Public)

20 11. Respondent has subjected his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 54273 to
21 disciplinary action under sections 2227 and 2234, as defined by section 2239, subdivision (a), of
22 the Code, in that he has used alcoholic beverages to the extent, or in such a manner, as to be
23 dangerous or injurious to himself, another person, or the public, as more particularly alleged
24 hereinafter:

25 12. On or about June 25, 2022, at approximately 7:15 p.m., the Irvine Police Department
26 received notification that Respondent was driving while intoxicated with an open container in his
27 vehicle. Shortly thereafter, police officers located Respondent's vehicle and initiated a traffic
28 stop. When police officers spoke with Respondent, they immediately noted Respondent smelled

1 of alcohol and spoke with rapid speech. Respondent admitted drinking wine prior to driving.
2 After performing poorly on field sobriety tests, Respondent was placed under arrest for driving
3 under the influence of alcohol. At approximately 9:13 p.m., a blood sample was obtained from
4 Respondent that revealed a blood alcohol concentration of 0.16 percent.

5 13. On or about July 20, 2022, the Orange County District Attorney filed a criminal
6 complaint against Respondent in the matter of *The People of the State of California v. Donald*
7 *Fredric Mills*, County of Orange Superior Court Case No. 22HM06222. The complaint charged
8 Respondent with two misdemeanors, including (1) driving under the influence of alcohol, in
9 violation of Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (a), and (2) driving with a blood alcohol
10 content level of 0.08 percent or more, in violation of Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (b).
11 Both counts were charged with a further allegation that Respondent's blood alcohol concentration
12 was 0.15 percent or more, within the meaning of Vehicle Code section 23578.

13 14. On or about August 18, 2023, Respondent pled guilty to driving under the influence
14 of alcohol, in violation of Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (a), and driving with a blood
15 alcohol content level of 0.08 percent or more, in violation of Vehicle Code section 23152,
16 subdivision (b). On that same date, the Superior Court sentenced Respondent to three years of
17 probation subject to various terms and conditions.

18 15. On or about March 15, 2024, Respondent was diagnosed with a permanent mental
19 illness.

20 16. On or about April 18, 2024, a temporary conservator was appointed for Respondent
21 due to his inability to properly provide for his personal needs for physical health, food, clothing,
22 and shelter.

23 **SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

24 **(Conviction of a Crime Substantially Related to the Qualifications, 25 Functions, or Duties of a Physician and Surgeon)**

26 17. Respondent has further subjected his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No.
27 G 54273 to disciplinary action under sections 2227 and 2234, as defined by section 2236, of the
28 Code, in that he has been convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications,

1 functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon, as more particularly alleged in paragraphs 11
2 through 16, above, which are hereby incorporated by reference and realleged as if fully set forth
3 herein.

4 **SECTION 822 CAUSE FOR ACTION**

5 **(Mental Illness Affecting Competency)**

6 18. Respondent is subject to action under section 822 of the Code, in that his ability to
7 practice medicine safely is impaired due to a mental illness affecting competency, as more
8 particularly alleged in paragraphs 11 through 16, above, which are hereby incorporated by
9 reference and realleged as if fully set forth herein.

10 **PRAYER**

11 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,
12 and that following the hearing, the Medical Board of California issue a decision:

13 1. Revoking or suspending Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 54273, issued
14 to Respondent Donald Fredric Mills, M.D.;

15 2. Revoking, suspending, or denying approval of Respondent Donald Fredric Mills,
16 M.D.'s authority to supervise physician assistants and advanced practice nurses;

17 3. Ordering Respondent Donald Fredric Mills, M.D., to pay the Board the costs of the
18 investigation and enforcement of this case, and if placed on probation, the costs of probation
19 monitoring;

20 4. Ordering Respondent Donald Fredric Mills, M.D., if placed on probation, to provide
21 patient notification in accordance with Business and Professions Code section 2228.1; and

22 5. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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24 DATED: SEP 06 2024

JENNA JONES FOR
REJI VARGHESE
Executive Director
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Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California
Complainant

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