

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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Jahangir Sadeghi, M.D.

**Physician's and Surgeon's
Certificate No. C 50518**

Respondent.

Case No. 800-2021-075652

DECISION

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and 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 December 31, 2025.

IT IS SO ORDERED December 16, 2025.

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA



**Reji Varghese
Executive Director**

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**STIPULATED SURRENDER OF
LICENSE AND ORDER**

15 **Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. C**
16 **50518**

17 Respondent.

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

21 **PARTIES**

22 1. Reji Varghese (Complainant) is the Executive Director of the Medical Board of
23 California (Board). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this
24 matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by C. Hay-Mie Cho, Deputy
25 Attorney General.

26 2. Respondent Jahangir Sadeghi, M.D. (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding
27 by attorney Robert R. Deering, whose address is: 899 Northgate Drive, Suite 500, San Rafael,
28 CA 94901.

1 3. On or about December 21, 2000, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's
2 Certificate No. C 50518 to Jahangir Sadeghi, M.D. (Respondent). That license was in full force
3 and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 800-2021-075652, and
4 will expire on August 31, 2026, unless renewed.

5 **JURISDICTION**

6 4. Accusation No. 800-2021-075652 was filed before the Board and is currently pending
7 against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly
8 served on Respondent on December 5, 2023. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense
9 contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 800-2021-075652 is attached as Exhibit A
10 and incorporated herein by reference.

11 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

12 5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the
13 charges and allegations in Accusation No. 800-2021-075652. Respondent has also carefully read,
14 fully discussed with his counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and
15 Disciplinary Order.

16 6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a
17 hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine
18 the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right
19 to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of
20 documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other
21 rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

22 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
23 every right set forth above.

24 **CULPABILITY**

25 8. Respondent understands and agrees that the charges and allegations in Accusation
26 No. 800-2021-075652, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon his
27 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate.

28 9. For the purpose of resolving the Accusation without the expense and uncertainty of

1 further proceedings, Respondent agrees that, at a hearing, Complainant could establish a factual
2 basis for the charges in the Accusation and that those charges constitute cause for discipline.
3 Respondent hereby gives up his right to contest that cause for discipline exists based on those
4 charges.

5 10. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation, he enables the Board to issue
6 an order accepting the surrender of his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate without further
7 notice.

8 CONTINGENCY

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

12 12. Respondent understands that, by signing this stipulation, he enables the Executive
13 Director of the Board to issue an order, on behalf of the Board, accepting the surrender of his
14 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. C 50518 without further notice to, or opportunity to be
15 heard by, Respondent.

16 13. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order shall be subject to the
17 approval of the Executive Director on behalf of the Board. The parties agree that this Stipulated
18 Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order shall be submitted to the Executive Director for his
19 consideration in the above-entitled matter and further, that the Executive Director shall have a
20 reasonable period of time in which to consider and act on this Stipulated Surrender of License and
21 Disciplinary Order after receiving it. By signing this stipulation, Respondent fully understands
22 and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind this stipulation prior to the
23 time the Executive Director, on behalf of the Medical Board, considers and acts upon it.

24 14. The parties agree that this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order
25 shall be null and void and not binding upon the parties unless approved and adopted by the
26 Executive Director on behalf of the Board, except for this paragraph, which shall remain in full
27 force and effect. Respondent fully understands and agrees that in deciding whether or not to
28 approve and adopt this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order, the Executive

1 Director and/or the Board may receive oral and written communications from its staff and/or the
2 Attorney General's Office. Communications pursuant to this paragraph shall not disqualify the
3 Executive Director, the Board, any member thereof, and/or any other person from future
4 participation in this or any other matter affecting or involving respondent. In the event that the
5 Executive Director on behalf of the Board does not, in his discretion, approve and adopt this
6 Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order, with the exception of this paragraph, it
7 shall not become effective, shall be of no evidentiary value whatsoever, and shall not be relied
8 upon or introduced in any disciplinary action by either party hereto. Respondent further agrees
9 that should this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order be rejected for any reason
10 by the Executive Director on behalf of the Board, Respondent will assert no claim that the
11 Executive Director, the Board, or any member thereof, was prejudiced by its/his/her review,
12 discussion and/or consideration of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary Order or
13 of any matter or matters related hereto.

14 **ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS**

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

18 16. The parties agree that copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Disciplinary
19 Order, including copies of the signatures of the parties, may be used in lieu of original documents
20 and signatures and, further, that such copies shall have the same force and effect as originals. The
21 parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this
22 Stipulated Surrender and License and Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall
23 have the same force and effect as the originals.

24 17. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree the
25 Executive Director of the Board may, without further notice to or opportunity to be heard by
26 Respondent, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order on behalf of the Board:

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1 ORDER

2 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. C 50518, issued
3 to Respondent JAHANGIR SADEGHI, M.D., is surrendered and accepted by the Board.

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

8 2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a Physician and Surgeon in
9 California as of December 31, 2025.

10 3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board his pocket license and, if one was
11 issued, his wall certificate on or before December 31, 2025.

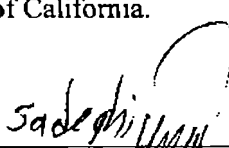
12 4. If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or
13 petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of
14 California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 800-2021-075652 shall
15 be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of
16 Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.

17 5. Respondent shall pay the agency its costs of investigation and enforcement in the
18 amount of \$43,429.75 prior to issuance of a new or reinstated license.

19 ACCEPTANCE

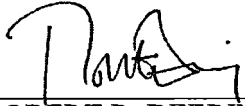
20 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully
21 discussed it with my attorney, Robert R. Deering. I understand the stipulation and the effect it
22 will have on my Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and
23 Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the
24 Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California.

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26 DATED: 9.18.25

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JAHANGIR SADEGHI, M.D.
Respondent

1 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Jahangir Sadeghi, M.D., the terms and
2 conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
3 I approve its form and content.

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5 DATED: September 18, 2025


6 ROBERT R. DEERING
7 *Attorney for Respondent*

ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Medical Board of California.

DATED: September 19, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 800-2021-075652

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ACCUSATION

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16 **No. C 50518,**

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19 **PARTIES**

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

23 2. On or about December 21, 2000, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's
24 Certificate Number C 50518 to Jahangir Sadeghi, M.D. (Respondent). The Physician's and
25 Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought
26 herein and will expire on August 31, 2024, unless renewed.

27 **JURISDICTION**

28 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board, under the authority of the following

1 laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise
2 indicated.

3 4. Section 2227 of the Code states, in part:

4 (a) A licensee whose matter has been heard by an administrative law judge of
5 the Medical Quality Hearing Panel as designated in Section 11371 of the Government
6 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:

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

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

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

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

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

15 5. Section 822 of the Code states:

16 If a licensing agency determines that its licentiate's ability to practice his or her
17 profession safely is impaired because the licentiate is mentally ill, or physically ill
affecting competency, the licensing agency may take action by any one of the
18 following methods:

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

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

21 (c) Placing the licentiate on probation.

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

23 The licensing section shall not reinstate a revoked or suspended certificate or
24 license until it has received competent evidence of the absence or control of the
25 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.

26 **COST RECOVERY**

27 6. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the
28 administrative law judge to direct a licensee found to have committed a violation or violations of

1 the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and
2 enforcement of the case, with failure of the licensee to comply subjecting the license to not being
3 renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and enforcement costs may be
4 included in a stipulated settlement.

5 **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

6 7. Respondent is an ophthalmologist practicing at Marin Health Medical Center (Marin
7 Health).

8 8. On May 15, 2019, Respondent performed cataract surgery on Patient 1.¹ During this
9 procedure, Respondent's hands were shaking hard, and he exhibited difficulty manipulating the
10 surgical equipment. Patient 1 developed a complication in the posterior capsule of the human
11 lens that necessitated a vitrectomy procedure (an eye surgery intended to treat various problems
12 with the retina and vitreous humor). Once Respondent attempted to insert the implant lens, his
13 hand tremors became stronger, and he took approximately one hour to insert the implants.

14 9. On February 3, 2021, Respondent performed cataract surgery on Patient 2. During
15 this procedure, the circulating nurse and anesthesiologist at Marin Health observed that
16 Respondent's hands were violently shaking while he had instruments in Patient 2's eye and was
17 attempting to remove a cataract.

18 10. On February 5, 2021, Marin Health suspended Respondent's operative privileges
19 pending a neurological evaluation.

20 11. On March 18, 2021, at Marin Health's request, Dr. L conducted a neurological
21 examination on Respondent. Dr. L opined that Respondent's hand trembling was "most
22 consistent with essential tremor in the absence of any other signs of parkinsonism or red flag
23 symptoms." Dr. L also stated, "in terms of his ability to do work as an ophthalmologist,
24 recommended that he does not engage in work (such as microsurgeries) which require fine
25 control of hand movements as tremor may interfere."

26 12. On April 19, 2021, following the neurological examination, Marin Health reinstated
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28 ¹ Names of individuals have been changed to maintain their privacy, but are included in
the discovery and are known to Respondent.

Respondent's consultative privileges, and he was also permitted to take part in call panel participation and perform minor procedures in the emergency department. However, Respondent's operative privileges remained suspended.

CAUSE FOR ACTION

(Impaired Ability to Practice Medicine Safely)

13. The allegations contained in paragraphs 7 through 12 above are incorporated by reference.

14. Respondent Jahangir Sadeghi, M.D., is subject to action under sections 822 and 2227 of the Code.

PRAYER

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

1. Revoking or suspending Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number C 50518, issued to Respondent Jahangir Sadeghi, M.D.;
2. Revoking, suspending or denying approval of Respondent Jahangir Sadeghi, M.D.'s authority to supervise physician assistants and advanced practice nurses;
3. Ordering Respondent Jahangir Sadeghi, M.D., to pay the Board the costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, and if placed on probation, the costs of probation monitoring;
4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: DEC 05 2023

REJI VARGHESE
Executive Director
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Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California
Complainant

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