

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

In the Matter of the Accusation)
Against:)
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Dennis Alan Kelly, M.D.)
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Physician's and Surgeon's)
Certificate No. G 26518)
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Respondent)
_____)

Case No. 800-2019-052760

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 JANUARY 30, 2020

IT IS SO ORDERED JANUARY 23, 2020

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

By: 
Christine J. Lally
Interim Executive Director

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10 **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
11 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

12 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 800-2019-052760

13 **DENNIS ALAN KELLY, M.D.**
14 **2920 Neilson Way No. 403**
Santa Monica, CA. 90405

**STIPULATED SURRENDER OF
LICENSE AND ORDER**

15 **Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G**
16 **26518,**

17 Respondent.

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

20 **PARTIES**

21 1. Christine J. Lally (Complainant) is the Interim Executive Director of the Medical
22 Board of California (Board). She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is
23 represented in this matter by Xavier Becerra, Attorney General of the State of California, by
24 Brian D. Bill, Deputy Attorney General.

25 2. Dennis Alan Kelly, M.D. (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney
26 Kent Brandmeyer, whose address is: 2 North Lake Avenue, Suite 820, Pasadena, CA 91101.

27 3. On or about March 20, 1974, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate
28 No. G 26518 to Respondent. The Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and

1 effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 800-2019-052760 and will
2 expire on July 31, 2020, unless renewed.

3 **JURISDICTION**

4 4. Accusation No. 800-2019-052760 was filed before the Board, and is currently
5 pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were
6 properly served on Respondent on December 23, 2019. Respondent stipulates to the surrender of
7 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 26518. A copy of Accusation No. 800-2019-052760
8 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

9 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

10 5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the
11 charges and allegations in Accusation No. 800-2019-052760. Respondent also has carefully read,
12 fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License
13 and Order.

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

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

22 **CULPABILITY**

23 8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation
24 No. 800-2019-052760, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders his
25 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 26518 for the Board's formal acceptance.

26 9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he enables the Board to issue
27 an order accepting the surrender of his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate without further
28 process.

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RESERVATION

10. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Medical Board of California or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.

CONTINGENCY

11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

12. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

13. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 26518, issued to Respondent Dennis Alan Kelly, M.D., is surrendered and accepted by the Board.

- 1. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a Physician and Surgeon in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 2. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board his pocket license and, if one was issued, his wall certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 3. Respondent shall not be eligible to petition the Board for Reinstatement of

1 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 26518 for three (3) years from the effective date of
2 the Decision and Order.

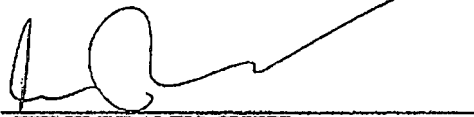
3 4. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in
4 the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must
5 comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked or
6 surrendered license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations
7 contained in Accusation No. 800-2019-052760 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted
8 by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.

9 ACCEPTANCE

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

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16 DATED: 1/13/20 
17 DENNIS ALAN KELLY, M.D.
18 Respondent

19 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Dennis Alan Kelly, M.D. the terms and
20 conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I
21 approve its form and content.

22 DATED: 1/13/20 
23 KENT BRANDMEYER
24 Attorney for Respondent

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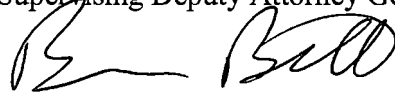
ENDORSEMENT

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

DATED: 1/14/2020

Respectfully submitted,

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Attorney General of California
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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 800-2019-052760

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ACCUSATION

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16 **No. G 26518,**

17 Respondent.

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19 **PARTIES**

20 1. Christine J. Lally (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity
21 as the Interim Executive Director of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer
22 Affairs (Board).

23 2. On or about March 20, 1974, the Medical Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's
24 Certificate Number G 26518 to Dennis Alan Kelly, 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 July 31, 2020, unless renewed.

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1 JURISDICTION

2 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board, under the authority of the following
3 laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise
4 indicated.

5 4. Section 2004 of the Code states:

6 "The board shall have the responsibility for the following:

7 "(a) The enforcement of the disciplinary and criminal provisions of the Medical
8 Practice Act.

9 "(b) The administration and hearing of disciplinary actions.

10 "(c) Carrying out disciplinary actions appropriate to findings made by a panel
11 or an administrative law judge.

12 "(d) Suspending, revoking, or otherwise limiting certificates after the
13 conclusion of disciplinary actions.

14 "(e) Reviewing the quality of medical practice carried out by physician and
15 surgeon certificate holders under the jurisdiction of the board.

16 "(f) Approving undergraduate and graduate medical education programs.

17 "(g) Approving clinical clerkship and special programs and hospitals for the
18 programs in subdivision (f).

19 "(h) Issuing licenses and certificates under the board's jurisdiction.

20 "(i) Administering the board's continuing medical education program."

21 5. Section 2220 of the Code states:

22 "Except as otherwise provided by law, the board may take action against all
23 persons guilty of violating this chapter. The board shall enforce and administer this
24 article as to physician and surgeon certificate holders, including those who hold
25 certificates that do not permit them to practice medicine, such as, but not limited to,
26 retired, inactive, or disabled status certificate holders, and the board shall have all the
27 powers granted in this chapter for these purposes including, but not limited to:

28 "(a) Investigating complaints from the public, from other licensees, from health
care facilities, or from the board that a physician and surgeon may be guilty of
unprofessional conduct. The board shall investigate the circumstances underlying a
report received pursuant to Section 805 or 805.01 within 30 days to determine if an
interim suspension order or temporary restraining order should be issued. The board
shall otherwise provide timely disposition of the reports received pursuant to Section
805 and Section 805.01.

"(b) Investigating the circumstances of practice of any physician and surgeon
where there have been any judgments, settlements, or arbitration awards requiring the

1 physician and surgeon or his or her professional liability insurer to pay an amount in
2 damages in excess of a cumulative total of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) with
respect to any claim that injury or damage was proximately caused by the physician's
and surgeon's error, negligence, or omission.

3 "(c) Investigating the nature and causes of injuries from cases which shall be
4 reported of a high number of judgments, settlements, or arbitration awards against a
physician and surgeon."

5 **STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

6 6. Section 822 of the Code states:

7 "If a licensing agency determines that its licentiate's ability to practice his or
8 her 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
9 following methods:

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

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

12 "(c) Placing the licentiate on probation.

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

14 "The licensing section shall not reinstate a revoked or suspended certificate or
15 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
16 public health and safety the person's right to practice his or her profession may be
safely reinstated."

17 **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

18 7. On or about November 5, 2019, Respondent provided the Board with verifiable
19 evidence that he was diagnosed with, and suffers from, a physical and/or mental condition that
20 impairs his ability to practice medicine safely. Respondent further informed the Board that the
21 diagnosed condition[s] is/are progressive in nature, which renders him permanently unsafe to
22 practice medicine.

23 **CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

24 **(Inability to Practice Medicine Safely Due to a Mental and/or Physical Condition)**

25 8. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 822, in that Respondent is
26 unable to safely practice medicine due to a mental and/or physical condition affecting
27 competency. The circumstances are as follows:

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1 9. The facts and allegations alleged in Paragraph 7 above, are incorporated by reference
2 as if set forth in full herein.

3 PRAYER

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

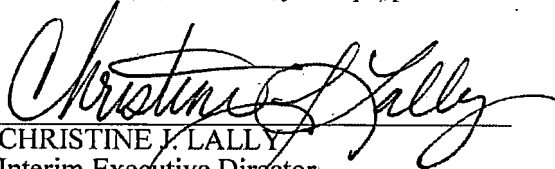
6 1. Revoking or suspending Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number G 26518,
7 issued to Dennis Alan Kelly, M.D.;

8 2. Revoking, suspending or denying approval of Dennis Alan Kelly, M.D.'s authority to
9 supervise physician assistants and advanced practice nurses;

10 3. Ordering Dennis Alan Kelly, M.D., if placed on probation, to pay the Board the costs
11 of probation monitoring; and

12 4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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14 DATED: December 23, 2019

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16 CHRISTINE J. LALLY
17 Interim Executive Director
18 Medical Board of California
19 Department of Consumer Affairs
20 State of California
21 Complainant

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