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DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Respondent: **Shane K. Burchfield**
Case No.: **2008**
Date: **July 18, 2008**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code §34-24-276(5), 1975 (as amended) by over-prescribing medications for patient care that was out of the scope of the practice of podiatry. After an Administrative Hearing before the Board, Respondent entered into a Consent Agreement. Respondent was assessed an administrative fine in the amount of \$1,500.00

Respondent: **Charles R. Oehrlein**
Case No.: **2008**
Date: **October 16, 2008**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code §34-24-276(5), 1975 (as amended) by over-prescribing medications for patient care that was out of the scope of the practice of podiatry. After an Administrative Hearing before the Board, Respondent entered into a Consent Agreement wherein his controlled substance license was suspended for two (2) years and his license to practice podiatry was placed on probation for a period of two (2) years. Respondent was assessed an administrative fine in the amount of \$1,500.00

Respondent: **David V. Robinson, DPM**
Case No.: **2013-08**
Date: **February 14, 2014**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code § 34-24-276, 1975 (as amended) and Ala. Admin. Code r. 730 X-3-.09 (1995) by failing to adhere to the state law or the Board rules concerning the keeping of records and the dispensing of controlled substance prescription drugs. Respondent voluntarily surrendered his license to practice podiatry in Alabama on February 14, 2014 and is prohibited from applying for reinstatement of his license for at least three (3) years.

Respondent: **Stuart J. Alter, DPM**
Case No.: **2013-09**
Date: **September 12, 2014**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code § 34-24-276, 1975 (as amended) and Ala. Admin. Code r. 730 X-3-.09 (1995) by failing to adhere to the state law or the Board rules concerning the keeping of records and the dispensing of controlled substance prescription drugs. Respondent executed a Voluntary Surrender of his license to practice podiatry in Alabama after the Board emergently summarily suspended his license. Respondent was assessed an administrative fine in the amount of \$5,000.00 and will not re-apply for his podiatric license for at least three (3) years.

Respondent: **Brian Kille, DPM**
Case No.: **2014-01**
Date: **May 5, 2014**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code §34-24-276(a)(2), 1975 (as amended) and Ala. Admin. Code r. 730-X-5-.01(2) by failing to adhere to the state law and Board rules concerning advertising. The Board assessed an administrative fine in the amount of \$500.00.

Respondent: **Hattie C. Snyder, DPM**
Case No.: **2014-04**
Date: **July 11, 2014**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code § 34-24-276, 1975 (as amended) and Ala. Admin. Code r. 730 X-3-.09 (1995) by failing to adhere to the state law or the Board rules concerning the keeping of records and the dispensing of controlled substance prescription drugs. The Board entered into a Consent Order with Respondent wherein Respondent was assessed an administrative fine and expenses in the amount of \$10,000.00; Respondent surrendered her Alabama Controlled Substances License; and Respondent's license to practice podiatric medicine is suspended for at least two (2) years.

Respondent: **Jeffery Allan Brown, DPM**
Case No.: **2016-09**
Date: **July 28, 2016**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code § 34-24-276, 1975 (as amended) and Ala. Admin. Code r. 730-X-3-.09 (1995) by failing to adhere to the state law or the Board rules concerning the keeping of records and the dispensing of controlled substance prescription drugs. The Board entered into a Consent Order with Respondent wherein Respondent surrendered his DEA License and Alabama Controlled Substance License. Respondent was placed on probation for a period of three (3) years.

Respondent: **Brett Stark, DPM**
Case No.: **2018-02BR**
Date: **April 13, 2018**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code § 34-24-270 (1975 as amended) by allowing his license to lapse and practicing podiatry without a valid license. The Board entered into a Consent Order with Respondent. Pursuant to the Board's Consent Order, Respondent was assessed an administrative fine in the amount of \$250.00. and placed on probation until the next timely renewal of his license.

Respondent: **Jeffrey R. Schneider, DPM**
Case No.: **2018-005**
Date: **April 13, 2018**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code § 34-24-276, 1975 (as amended) and Ala. Admin. Code r. 730-X-3-09 (1995) by failing to adhere to the state law or the Board rules concerning the keeping of records and the dispensing of controlled substance prescription drugs. The Board entered into a Consent Order with Respondent. Pursuant to the Consent Order Respondent surrendered his Alabama Controlled Substances License and cannot reapply for a period of three (3) years. Respondent is on probation for a period of one (1) year.

Respondent: **Narin G. Singer, DPM**
Case No.: **2018-012**
Date: **October 12, 2018**
Disposition: Respondent violated Ala. Code § 34-24-276(a)(6) (1975 as amended) by engaging in the use of narcotics to such an extent that Respondent is unfit to be a license holder for the proper practice of podiatry in the State of Alabama. The Board entered into a Consent Order with Respondent. Pursuant to the Board's Consent Order, Respondent's license to practice podiatry is suspended until such time that Respondent receives treatment as ordered by the Board.

Respondent: **Arash Arabi, DPM**
Case No.: **2020-002**
Date: **October 16, 2020**
Disposition: Respondent violated §§ 34-24-230, 34-24-234, 34-24-276(a)(2), Code of Alabama 1975; Alabama Administrative Code r. 730-X-5-01 and r. 730-X-5-02. The Board entered into a Consent Order with Respondent. Pursuant to the Consent Order, Respondent will be on probation for a period of six (6) months beginning October 16, 2020 and will be subject to monitoring of his prescription writing practices during the probationary period. Respondent agreed that prior to the end of the probation period, he will attend a seminar on prescription practices for the prescribing of scheduled controlled substances and provide certification of this seminar attendance to the Board prior to the end of the probationary period. Respondent is assessed administrative costs in the amount of \$7,500.00.

Respondent: **Brian Melley, DPM**
Case No.: **2020-003**
Date: **July 17, 2020**
Disposition: Respondent violated §§ 34-24-230, 34-24-234, 34-24-276(a)(2), Code of Alabama 1975; Alabama Administrative Code r. 730-X-5-.01 and r. 730-X-5-.02. The Board entered into a Consent Order with Respondent. Pursuant to the Consent Order, Respondent will be on probation for a period of two (2) years beginning July 17, 2020 and will be subject to monitoring of his prescription writing practices during the probationary period. Respondent is assessed an administrative fine in the amount of \$3,000.00.

Respondent: **Wilnelsia A. Awoniyi, DPM**
Case No.: **2021-007**
Date: **January 14, 2022**
Disposition: Respondent violated § 34-24-276 Ala. Code 1975 (as amended) by failing to adhere to the state law or the Board rules concerning prescribing and writing prescriptions for medications that was out of the scope of the practice of podiatry. The Board entered into a Consent Order with Respondent wherein Respondent was assessed an administrative fine in the amount of \$7,500.00; Respondent surrendered her Alabama Controlled Substance License #00290; Respondent shall not apply for an Alabama Controlled Substance License for a period of one (1) year from the date of surrender of her Alabama Controlled Substance License #00290; Respondent shall successfully complete a Board approved continuing education course on the topic of prescribing and medical recordkeeping; and Respondent license to practice podiatry was placed on probation for three (3) years.

Respondent: **Douglas Stewart, DPM**
Case No.: **2023-001BR**
Date: **October 20, 2023**
Disposition: Respondent violated § 34-24-275 Ala. Code 1975 by failing to timely renew license to practice podiatry which expired on October 1, 2022. Respondent practiced podiatry without being properly licensed by the Board from October 2, 2022 through November 21, 2022; and obtained the required continuing education on November 20, 2022. The Board entered into a Stipulation and Consent Order with Respondent. Respondent was assessed an administrative fine in the amount of \$300.00 for not providing proof of continuing education for license renewal by October 30, 2022.

Respondent: **Tara Blasingame, DPM**
Case No.: **2022-006**
Date: **February 2, 2024**
Disposition: The Board alleged that Respondent violated its rules and applicable statutes. To avoid the uncertainties associated with a full administrative hearing, Respondent chose to agree to a Consent Order, which required her to complete at least eight hours of continuing education on the topic of pain management and/or prescribing narcotics.

As of January 14, 2026