

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE

IN RE: LANCE CARY DOZIER, M.D.
License Number: 0101-035554
Case Number: 189871

CONSENT ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") and Lance Cary Dozier, M.D., as evidenced by their signatures hereto, in lieu of proceeding to an informal conference, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Dr. Dozier's license to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Lance Cary Dozier, M.D., was issued License Number 0101-035554 to practice medicine and surgery on June 30, 1983, which is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2020.
2. Dr. Dozier violated Virginia Code § 54.1-2915(A)(2) and (14) in that he is unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety due to illness or substance abuse. Specifically:
 - a. On April 23, 2018, Dr. Dozier was on call at two area hospitals when he was arrested in Norton, Virginia for driving while intoxicated ("DWT"), first offense, in violation of Virginia Code § 18.2-266, and unreasonably refusing to take a breath test, in violation of Virginia Code § 18.2-268.3. The arresting officer reported that he responded to a complaint of a vehicle striking a parked car and fleeing the scene. The officer obtained a photograph of the vehicle's license plate and went to the address to which the vehicle was registered, where he located Dr. Dozier. Dr. Dozier admitted to the officer that he had been drinking and was on his way home when he hit a car, after which he went to his residence. The officer noticed that Dr. Dozier showed signs of impairment, including slurred speech and unsteadiness. The officer administered a preliminary breath test that resulted in a reading of 0.214 blood alcohol content. Dr. Dozier was asked to take another breath test but refused.

b. On September 14, 2018, Dr. Dozier was charged with driving while his license was suspended, in violation of Virginia Code § 46.2-301.

c. On October 17, 2018, the DWI charge was reduced to reckless driving, in violation of Virginia Code § 46.2-852, to which Dr. Dozier pled guilty in the General District Court of Wise County/City of Norton. He was ordered to pay \$2,854.00 in fines, costs, and restitution; successfully complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program; and was placed on 12 months' probation. The judge ordered a nolle prosequi for the charges of unreasonably refusing to take a breath test and driving with a suspended license.

CONSENT

Lance Cary Dozier, M.D., by affixing his signature to this Consent Order, agrees to the following:

1. I have been advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document;
2. I am fully aware that without my consent, no legal action can be taken against me or my license except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, Virginia Code § 2.2-4000 *et seq.*;
3. I acknowledge that I have the following rights, among others: the right to an informal fact-finding conference before the Board; the right to representation by counsel; and the right to cross-examine witnesses against me;
4. I waive my right to an informal conference;
5. I admit to the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein and waive my right to contest such Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and any sanction imposed hereunder in any future judicial or administrative proceeding in which the Board is a party;
6. I consent to the entry of the following Order affecting my license to practice medicine and surgery in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

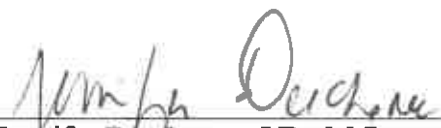
ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Virginia Board of Medicine hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Lance Cary Dozier, M.D. is REPRIMANDED.
2. Within thirty (30) days from entry of this Consent Order, Dr. Dozier shall provide evidence satisfactory to the Board of entry into the Virginia Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP").
3. Dr. Dozier shall remain in HPMP and comply fully with the terms of his contract(s), and any addenda thereto, until he successfully completes the program. In accordance with Dr. Dozier's contract, the Board will be notified of any noncompliance with, or dismissal or resignation from HPMP.
4. Any violation of this Consent Order or any statute or regulation governing the practice of medicine shall constitute grounds for further disciplinary action.

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as a public record, and shall be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

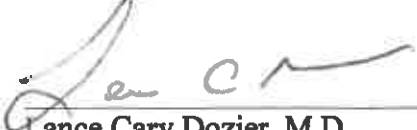
FOR THE BOARD



Jennifer Deschenes, J.D., M.S.
Deputy Executive Director
Virginia Board of Medicine

ENTERED: 6/28/19

SEEN AND AGREED TO:


Lance Cary Dozier, M.D.



COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY/CITY OF Wise County TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia at large,
on this 24th day of June, 2019.


Notary Public

My commission expires: 5 / 31 / 2023

Registration No.: 7100596