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8 **BEFORE THE**
9 **MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA**
10 **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
11 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

12 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 800-2019-055115

13 **Henry Geoffrey Watson, M.D.**
14 **5709 Market St. Ste. 5715,**
Oakland, CA 94608

A C C U S A T I O N

15 **Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate**
16 **No. C 41403,**

17 Respondent.

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19 **PARTIES**

20 1. William Prasifka (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in his official capacity
21 as the Executive Director of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs
22 (Board).

23 2. On or about May 29, 1984, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate
24 Number C 41403 to Henry Geoffrey Watson, M.D. (Respondent). The Physician's and Surgeon's
25 Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will
26 expire on August 31, 2023, 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 2227 of the Code provides that a licensee who is found guilty under the
6 Medical Practice Act may have his or her license revoked, suspended for a period not to exceed
7 one year, placed on probation and required to pay the costs of probation monitoring, or such other
8 action taken in relation to discipline as the Board deems proper.

9 5. Section 2234 of the Code, states:

10 The board shall take action against any licensee who is charged with
11 unprofessional conduct. In addition to other provisions of this article, unprofessional
12 conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

13 (a) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, assisting in or
14 abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate any provision of this chapter.

15 (b) Gross negligence.

16 (c) Repeated negligent acts. To be repeated, there must be two or more
17 negligent acts or omissions. An initial negligent act or omission followed by a
18 separate and distinct departure from the applicable standard of care shall constitute
19 repeated negligent acts.

20 (1) An initial negligent diagnosis followed by an act or omission medically
21 appropriate for that negligent diagnosis of the patient shall constitute a single
22 negligent act.

23 (2) When the standard of care requires a change in the diagnosis, act, or
24 omission that constitutes the negligent act described in paragraph (1), including, but
25 not limited to, a reevaluation of the diagnosis or a change in treatment, and the
26 licensee's conduct departs from the applicable standard of care, each departure
27 constitutes a separate and distinct breach of the standard of care.

28 (d) Incompetence.

(e) The commission of any act involving dishonesty or corruption that is
substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and
surgeon.

(f) Any action or conduct that would have warranted the denial of a certificate.

(g) The failure by a certificate holder, in the absence of good cause, to attend
and participate in an interview by the board. This subdivision shall only apply to a
certificate holder who is the subject of an investigation by the board.

1 6. Section 2266 of the Code states: The failure of a physician and surgeon to maintain
2 adequate and accurate records relating to the provision of services to their patients constitutes
3 unprofessional conduct.

4 7. Section 3501 of the code requires a physician and surgeon who supervises a physician
5 assistant to oversee the activities of and accept responsibility for the medical services rendered by
6 the physician assistant, and further provides that the physician assistant acts as an agent of the
7 supervising physician.

8 8. Section 3502 of the Code requires a physician who supervises a physician assistant to
9 take ensure adequate supervision of the care provided by the physician assistant, by among other
10 things, reviewing and countersigning charts, conducting regular chart review meetings, and
11 identifying those cases which pose the greatest potential for patient risk or harm.

12 9. Section 3502.1 of the Code provides that physician assistants to whom the authority
13 to prescribe medications act on behalf of, and as an agent for the supervising physician.

14 10. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1399.542, provides that the
15 delegation of procedures to a physician assistant shall not relieve the supervising physician of
16 primary continued responsibility for the welfare of the patient.

17 11. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1399.545 provides states, in part:

18 (e) A physician assistant and his or her supervising physician shall establish
19 in writing guidelines for the adequate supervision of the physician assistant which
20 shall include one or more of the following mechanisms:

21 (1) Examination of the patient by a supervising physician the same day as
22 care is given by the physician assistant;

23 (2) Countersignature and dating of all medical records written by the
24 physician assistant within thirty (30) days that the care was given by the physician
25 assistant;

26 (3) The supervising physician may adopt protocols to govern the
27 performance of a physician assistant for some or all tasks. The minimum content for
28 a protocol governing diagnosis and management as referred to in this section shall
include the presence or absence of symptoms, signs, and other data necessary to
establish a diagnosis or assessment, any appropriate tests or studies to order, drugs
to recommend to the patient, and education to be given the patient. For protocols
governing procedures, the protocol shall state the information to be given the

1 patient, the nature of the consent to be obtained from the patient, the preparation and
2 technique of the procedure, and the follow-up care. Protocols shall be developed by
3 the physician, adopted from, or referenced to, texts or other sources. Protocols shall
4 be signed and dated by the supervising physician and the physician assistant. The
5 supervising physician shall review, countersign, and date a minimum of 5% sample
6 of medical records of patients treated by the physician assistant functioning under
7 these protocols within thirty (30) days. The physician shall select for review those
8 cases which by diagnosis, problem, treatment or procedure represent, in his or her
9 judgment, the most significant risk to the patient;

6 (4) Other mechanisms approved in advance by the board.

7 (f) The supervising physician has continuing responsibility to follow the
8 progress of the patient and to make sure that the physician assistant does not
9 function autonomously. The supervising physician shall be responsible for all
10 medical services provided by a physician assistant under his or her supervision.”

11 COST RECOVERY

12 12. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the
13 administrative law judge to direct a licensee found to have committed a violation or violations of
14 the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and
15 enforcement of the case, with failure of the licensee to comply subjecting the license to not being
16 renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and enforcement costs may be
17 included in a stipulated settlement.

18 FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

19 **(Unprofessional Conduct: Repeated Negligent Acts: Patient 1¹)**

20 13. Respondent Henry G. Watson, M.D. is subject to disciplinary action for
21 unprofessional conduct through repeated negligent acts under code section 2234, subdivision (c)
22 in his care and treatment, acts and/or omissions, of Patient 1, a 39-year-old female, as alleged
23 herein.
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25 14. Patient 1 had a history of a rare connective tissue disorder, chronic pain, previous
26 ankle surgery, migraine, depression, anxiety, fibromyalgia, PTSD, and hypertension. Respondent
27 provided outpatient care to Patient 1 from 2016 to 2017, and was the supervising physician for a

28 ¹ Patients are referred to by number to protect privacy.

1 physician assistant, Omar Staples² (PA Staples), who treated the patient from 2016-2020, and
2 provided the majority of care to the patient. Physician assistants require oversight by a
3 supervising physician for all activities and medical services.

4 15. On September 19, 2019, Patient 1 was seen by Respondent for a medication refill.
5 The medications prescribed by Respondent included Fioricet³, Soma⁴, Norco⁵, Morphine
6 Extended Release⁶, and Motrin. Respondent did not document a pain assessment or pain scale,
7 and documented a normal physical examination. Respondent's assessment included back pain.
8 The management plan was to discontinue Ativan. In October 2017, Patient 1 signed a narcotic
9 contract.

10 16. Respondent's medical record for Patient 1 includes documentation that in July 2017,
11 Patient 1 was admitted to the hospital with acute chronic back pain and right ankle pain. Her use
12 of opioids was noted in the record. Imaging studies were normal and the patient's neurosurgical
13 evaluation was documented at full strength. The discharge recommendations included outpatient
14 multi-modal pain management including physical therapy, treatment coordinated by a pain
15 specialist, possible steroid injections to SI joint, and outpatient MRI of her left ankle. In 2018,
16 Respondent's records note that the patient was seen at UCSF for a consultation regarding her
17 connective tissue disease. The UCSF specialist recommended non-opioid treatment, focusing on
18 muscle strengthening and physical therapy.

19 17. On January 19, 2019, PA Staples notified Patient 1 that Soma will not be prescribed
20 with narcotics and Klonopin⁷ and Adderall⁸ would no longer be prescribed at all. Patient 1 was
21 also given a referral to psychiatry for evaluation.

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23 ² An Accusation has been filed and is pending against physician assistant Omar Staples.

24 ³ Fioricet is a combination of acetaminophen, butalbital, and caffeine. It is a pain reliever
25 and both a barbiturate and a stimulant. Fioricet is a Schedule III controlled substance.

26 ⁴ Soma is a prescription muscle relaxant. The generic name of Soma is carisoprodol. It is a
27 Schedule IV controlled substance.

28 ⁵ Norco is a trade name for hydrocodone bitartrate with acetaminophen. It is a Schedule
II controlled substance.

⁶ Morphine is a Schedule II controlled substance.

⁷ Clonazepam (Klonopin) is a benzodiazepine.

⁸ Adderall is a combination drug containing four salts of amphetamine.

1 18. On December 31, 2020, Patient 1 was seen by PA Staples for left wrist and right
2 ankle pain. Patient 1 reported standing on her feet 10-12 hours per day while operating heavy
3 machinery, and chronic low back pain. Patient 1 was referred for consultations, including pain
4 management.

5 19. CURES⁹ and pharmacy documents demonstrate Patient 1 was prescribed multiple
6 controlled substances from several practitioners from 2013-2016. Respondent prescribed
7 controlled substances to Patient 1 for several months in 2017, and under his supervision, PA
8 Staples prescribed a number of controlled substances to Patient 1 including opioids,
9 benzodiazepines, sedative/hypnotics, muscle relaxants, and barbiturates on a regular basis from
10 2016 to 2020.

11 20. The records for the treatment provided to Patient 1 by the physician assistant under
12 Respondent's supervision do not contain a complete initial pain assessment, a justification for
13 continued long-term treatment with opiates, an assessment for harm resulting from the opiate
14 prescribing, and a complete or meaningful periodic review of Patient 1's treatment plan over the
15 course of treatment including assessing for harm.

16 21. There was no change in Patient 1's treatment plan utilizing high dose narcotics
17 despite recommendations that are included in Respondent's medical record, from specialists at
18 Stanford in 2017 and UCSF in 2018 emphasizing mainstay of management for the patient's
19 connective tissue disease should be physical therapy, strengthening to minimize strain on joints.
20 Functional goals, pain goals, CURES review, and urine drug testing should have been part of the
21 ongoing treatment and monitoring provided by Respondent and PA Staples.

22 22. Despite the fact that PA Staples prescribed multiple controlled substances at regular
23 intervals for a prolonged period of time, there is no indication in the record that either PA Staples
24 or Respondent conducted any assessment for appropriateness for continued controlled substance
25 use or completely evaluated the Patient for harm in this high-risk patient who was on multiple
26 controlled substances, despite the fact that physical examination was consistently noted as normal

27 ⁹ CURES (Controlled Substance Utilization Review and Evaluation System) is a database
28 of controlled substance prescriptions dispensed in California serving public health, regulatory
oversight agencies, and law enforcement.

1 and imaging studies did not show significant pathology, and despite the fact the patient reported
2 that she operated heavy machinery at work.

3 23. The medical record does not document consistent or adequate supervision by
4 Respondent of PA Staples. Many of the chart entries that were co-signed by Respondent were on
5 pages in which the plan and assessment were blank. There is no documentation of oversight such
6 as Respondent's examination of the patient or medical record review meetings with the PA.
7 There is no indication in the chart that Respondent provided any meaningful oversight or
8 supervision of PA Staples.

9 24. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action for repeated negligent acts under code
10 section 2234(c) in that he repeatedly, and over a long period of time failed to provide adequate
11 mid-level practitioner supervision to PA Staples for his treatment of Patient 1, and failed to
12 conduct and/or document any meaningful review of PA Staples for the care and treatment
13 provided to Patient 1, as required by the standard of care and sections 3501, 3501 and 3502.1 of
14 the Code.

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16 **SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

17 **(Repeated Negligent Acts: Patient 2)**

18 25. Respondent Henry G. Watson, M.D. is subject to disciplinary action for
19 unprofessional conduct through repeated negligent acts under code section 2234, subdivision (c),
20 in his care and treatment, acts and/or omissions, of Patient 2, a 61-year-old male, as alleged
21 herein.

22 26. Patient 2 was a 61-year-old man with a number of medical conditions, including
23 arthritis, hip replacement, back and shoulder pain. Patient 2 was treated primarily by PA Staples
24 from 2016 to 2020.

25 27. CURES and pharmacy documents demonstrate that Respondent prescribed a limited
26 amount of controlled substances to Patient 2 in 2017 and 2018. However, from 2015 to 2018, PA
27 Staples regularly prescribed a number of controlled substances to Patient 2 including opioids,
28 amphetamine salt combination, muscle relaxants, and sedative/hypnotics.

1 28. The medical records contains no indication that either PA Staples or Respondent
2 conducted a complete initial pain assessment or ongoing periodic review of the treatment plan,
3 including an assessment of potential harm. There is no documentation of the appropriateness of
4 ongoing narcotic use, and no indication of a comprehensive treatment plan that included defined
5 pain goals, functional objectives, utilization of non-narcotic drugs, or rehabilitation programs.

6 29. Adequate physician supervision was not documented by Respondent. The medical
7 record did not document episodes of oversight such as same day examination of the patient, co-
8 signatures, opiate management protocols, or medical record review meetings with PA Staples.
9 The medical record did not establish that Respondent was involved in the longitudinal pain
10 management treatment decision making for PA Omar Staples.

11 30. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct and repeated
12 negligent acts under code sections 2234 and 2234(c) in that he repeatedly, and over a long period
13 of time failed to provide adequate mid-level practitioner supervision to PA Staples for his
14 treatment of Patient 2, and failed to conduct and/or document any meaningful review of PA
15 Staples for the care and treatment provided to Patient 2, as required by the standard of care and
16 sections 3501, 3501 and 3502.1 of the Code.

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18 **THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

19 **(Repeated Negligent Acts: Patient 3)**

20 31. Respondent Henry G. Watson, M.D. is subject to disciplinary action for
21 unprofessional conduct through repeated negligent acts under code sections 2234, subdivision (c)
22 in his care and treatment, acts and/or omissions, of Patient 3, as alleged herein.

23 32. Patient 3 is a 59-year-old woman with medical conditions that include chronic pain
24 and arthritis. PA Staples prescribed a number of controlled substances to Patient 3 from 2015 to
25 2017, and Respondent prescribed multiple controlled substances including diazepam¹⁰, opiates,
26 and muscle relaxants to Patient 3 from 2017 to 2020.

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28 ¹⁰ Diazepam (Valium) is used to relieve anxiety and to control agitation caused by alcohol withdrawal.

1 33. There is no indication in the medical record that either Respondent or PA Staples
2 performed an initial pain assessment, or that there was a complete exam in the area of reported
3 pain and details of previous diagnostic evaluations and prior treatments for each pain syndrome
4 were poorly documented.

5 34. There is no indication in the record that either Respondent or PA Staples ever
6 performed complete periodic reviews of the Patient 3's treatment plan, or that an assessment of
7 functional goals and pain goals were performed. CURES reviews and urine drug testing should
8 have been part of the periodic monitoring and risk assessment. The documentation details of
9 prior evaluation for pain syndromes, prior treatment and informed consent discussing the long-
10 term use of opiates in combination with benzodiazepines and muscle relaxants was inadequate.

11 35. PA Staples' handwritten office visit notes were illegible and incomplete in that they
12 lacked assessment and management plans. Yet, Respondent co-signed a number of the records.

13 36. Respondent's records reflect that on October 23, 2020, Patient 3 was admitted to the
14 hospital after being found unresponsive next to empty alcohol bottles. She had alcohol poisoning
15 with a blood alcohol level of 502 mg/dl, alcohol intoxication, alcohol withdrawal syndrome, UTI,
16 lactic acidosis, alcoholic hepatitis, cirrhosis due to alcohol and hepatitis C, and thrombocytopenia.
17 X-rays revealed mild degenerative joint disease, chronic right hip dislocation, and stable left hip
18 arthroplasty. A toxicology screen was positive for opiates. Patient 3 was treated with IVF,
19 antibiotics, decrease in Methadone dose and alcohol rehabilitation. Even at this point, neither
20 Respondent nor PA Staples conducted a harm re-assessment, timely de-escalated controlled
21 substances or addressed chemical dependency.

22 37. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct and repeated
23 negligent acts under code section 2234(c) in that he repeatedly and over a long period of time
24 failed to provide adequate mid-level practitioner supervision to PA Staples for his treatment of
25 Patient 3, and failed to conduct and/or document any meaningful review of PA Staples for the
26 care and treatment provided to Patient 3, as required by the standard of care and sections 3501,
27 3501 and 3502.1 of the Code.

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1 **FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

2 **(Repeated Negligent Acts: Patient 4)**

3 38. Respondent Henry G. Watson, M.D. is subject to disciplinary action for
4 unprofessional conduct through repeated negligent acts under code section 2234 subdivision (c)
5 in his care and treatment, acts and/or omissions, of Patient 4, a 66-year-old female, as alleged
6 herein.

7 39. Respondent prescribed high dose opiates and benzodiazepines to Patient 4 on a
8 regular basis from 2015 to 2020. Specialists were involved in the care of Patient 4, however,
9 Respondent was the primary provider prescribing controlled substances. Over the course of
10 treatment, the patient complained of shoulder pain, back pain, and arthritis. Physical
11 examinations were documented as normal. Respondent's medical record does not contain
12 information to support continued long-term treatment with high-dose opiates or benzodiazepines.
13 While Respondent's chart contains notes from cancer specialists who noted no complaints of
14 pain, Respondent did not respond to or assess this information.

15 40. Respondent's written notes of his treatment of Patient 4 were illegible and missing
16 key elements including vital signs, medication lists, accurate assessments or management plans.
17 Electronic records were template driven with unchanged subjective and objective data over many
18 visits. Details of prior evaluations for pain syndromes, support for diagnosis of complex regional
19 pain syndrome, cord compression, rheumatoid arthritis, cancer related pain, and prior treatment
20 were absent.

21 41. Respondent's records contain no periodic review of Patient 4's treatment plan, and no
22 assessment of functional or pain goals, functional status, or examination of the areas of reported
23 pain. There was no indication of any discussion or consideration of opioid tapering.

24 42. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct through his
25 acts and omissions regarding Patient 4, pursuant to code section 2234 subdivision (c) as he failed
26 to support indication for long-term treatment with controlled substances for pain and/or failed to
27 perform complete periodic reviews of treatment utilizing controlled substances for pain.

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1 **FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

2 **(Repeated Negligent Acts: Patient 5)**

3 43. Respondent Henry G. Watson, M.D. is subject to disciplinary action for
4 unprofessional conduct through repeated negligent acts under code sections 2234, subdivision (c)
5 in his care and treatment, acts and/or omissions, of Patient 5, a 68-year-old female, as alleged
6 herein.

7 44. Patient 5 was a 68-year-old woman with a history of hypertension, congestive heart
8 failure, degenerative joint disease, morbid obesity, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
9 /asthma, chronic respiratory failure requiring home oxygen, grief, and major depression.

10 Respondent provided care to her from 2011 to 2018.

11 45. Patient 5 was on high-dose narcotics and benzodiazepines from previous providers
12 when Respondent initiated her care. Respondent prescribed high-dose opiates (oxycodone) and
13 benzodiazepines (Valium) to Patient 5 on a regular basis from 2017 to 2018 without a change in
14 dose. The medical record does not contain evidence of CURES review or urine toxicology
15 screens. The record reflects Patient 5 was non-compliant with diagnostic test requests and
16 referrals, including referrals for pain management in 2018.

17 46. Respondent's record does not reflect ongoing periodic reviews and harm assessments
18 of the patient's treatment plan, or that informed consent regarding the risks and benefits of high-
19 dose narcotics and benzodiazepines was provided. There is no documentation of consideration of
20 the risks posed by opioids given Patient 5's comorbidities of respiratory and heart issues and
21 obesity. There is no indication Respondent attempted to taper the patient's opioid and
22 benzodiazepine use.

23 47. Respondent's medical records contain illegible notes that do not include key elements
24 such as vital signs, medication lists, assessments or management plans. Electronic records were
25 templates with unchanged subjective and objective data over many of the encounters. Details of
26 the evaluation of pain, prior treatment, informed consent, and treatment goals were poorly
27 documented.

1 Details of prior evaluations for pain syndromes, prior treatment, informed consent discussing the
2 long-term use of opiates in combination with high-dose benzodiazepines, and treatment goals
3 were poorly documented. Patient 6 was enrolled in hospice on several occasions; however, the
4 medical record was not clear of the reasons for repeated hospice disenrollment.

5 53. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct through his
6 acts and omissions regarding Patient 5, pursuant to code section 2234 subdivision (c) as he failed
7 to perform complete periodic reviews of treatment, conduct harm assessments, or implement a
8 timely tapering plan for this high-risk patient.

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10 **SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

11 **(Repeated Negligent Acts: Patient 7)**

12 54. Respondent Henry G. Watson, M.D. is subject to disciplinary action for
13 unprofessional conduct through repeated negligent acts under code sections 2234 subdivision (c)
14 in his care and treatment, acts and/or omissions, of Patient 7, a 58-year-old male, as alleged
15 herein.

16 55. Patient 7 has a history of HIV, kidney disease, hypertension, diabetes with
17 neuropathy, sickle cell trait, asthma, toe amputation, depression, anxiety, and chronic pain.
18 Respondent prescribed high-dose opiates, muscle relaxants and benzodiazepines to
19 Patient 7 from 2015 to 2020. There is evidence for opiate and benzodiazepine tapering
20 starting in 2019.

21 56. Respondent documented the patient's poorly controlled neuropathic pain from
22 multiple potential causes, and referred the patient for non-narcotic treatment and evaluation. He
23 added Lyrica to assist with pain. However, Respondent did not document complete periodic
24 reviews of Patient 7's treatment plan, nor did he document informed consent regarding the risks
25 and benefits of ongoing high-dose narcotics and benzodiazepines.

26 57. Respondent's record reflects that in 2019, Patient 7 saw a pain management
27 specialist, who noted significant pain in upper and lower extremities and throughout the spine
28 despite Oxycontin, Norco, Valium, Soma. The specialist also felt the patient had a strong

1 component of psychological involvement in symptoms with some overlap of fibromyalgia due to
2 the diffuse, non-localizing nature of his pain syndrome. He recommended neuropathic class
3 medications (Lyrica), continuation of Cymbalta, physical therapy, aquatic therapy, and
4 psychology follow-up. He discussed the risks of the high-dose opioids combined with the
5 multiple sedating agents that Patient 7 was receiving and recommended a weaning protocol,
6 avoiding polypharmacy, and transitioning from Soma to another muscle relaxant.

7 58. During the time Respondent prescribed to Patient 7, his record keeping was
8 inadequate and incomplete. Respondent's written notes were illegible and missing key elements
9 including vital signs, medication lists, accurate assessments and management plans. Electronic
10 records were template driven with unchanged subjective and objective data over many of the
11 encounters. Details of prior evaluations for pain syndromes, prior treatments, informed consent
12 discussing the long-term use of opiates in combination with high-dose benzodiazepines, and
13 treatment goals were poorly documented in the patient's follow-up visits.

14 59. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct through his
15 acts and omissions regarding Patient 7, pursuant to code section 2234 subdivision (c), as he failed
16 to perform complete periodic review of treatment, complete harm assessment and timely
17 polypharmacy mitigation while prescribing narcotics and benzodiazepines.

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19 **EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

20 **(Failure to Maintain Accurate Medical Records)**

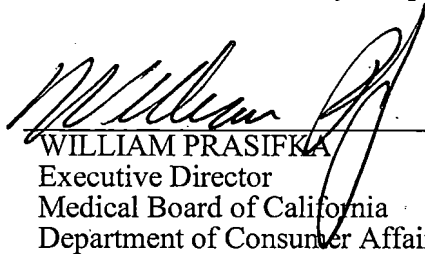
21 60. Paragraphs 33 through 59, above are incorporated by reference as if set out in full.
22 Respondent is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct under Code section 2266
23 in that he failed to maintain adequate and accurate records of the treatment of Patients 3, 4, 5, 6,
24 and 7.

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26 **PRAYER**

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

- 1 1. Revoking or suspending Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number C 41403,
2 issued to Respondent Henry Geoffrey Watson, M.D.;
- 3 2. Revoking, suspending or denying approval of Respondent Henry Geoffrey Watson,
4 M.D.'s authority to supervise physician assistants and advanced practice nurses;
- 5 3. Ordering Respondent Henry Geoffrey Watson, M.D., to pay the Board the costs of
6 the investigation and enforcement of this case, and if placed on probation, the costs of probation
7 monitoring; and
- 8 4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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10 DATED: **APR 19 2022**



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