

**BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD**

In the Matter of

**DUAN COPELAND, M.D.**

Holder of License No. **35699**  
For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine  
In the State of Arizona.

**Case No. MD-08-1290**

**INTERIM CONSENT AGREEMENT  
FOR PRACTICE RESTRICTION**

**INTERIM CONSENT AGREEMENT**

By mutual agreement and understanding, between the Arizona Medical Board ("Board") and Duan Copeland, M.D., ("Respondent") the parties agree to the following disposition of this matter.

1. Respondent has read and understands this Interim Consent Agreement and the stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Interim Consent Agreement"). Respondent acknowledges that he understands he has the right to consult with legal counsel regarding this matter.

2. By entering into this Interim Consent Agreement, Respondent voluntarily relinquishes any rights to a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged, or to challenge this Interim Consent Agreement in its entirety as issued by the Board, and waives any other cause of action related thereto or arising from said Interim Consent Agreement.

3. This Interim Consent Agreement will not become effective until signed by the Executive Director.

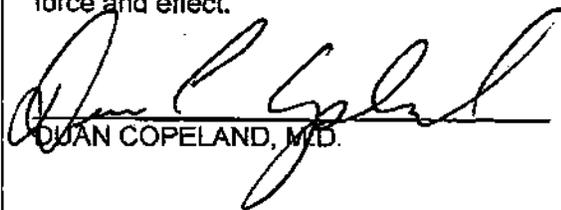
4. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for interim disposition of this matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government regulatory agency

1 proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or any other state or  
2 federal court.

3 5. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Upon signing this  
4 agreement, and returning this document (or a copy thereof) to the Executive Director,  
5 Respondent may not revoke acceptance of the Interim Consent Agreement. Any modifications  
6 to this Interim Consent Agreement are ineffective and void unless mutually approved by the  
7 parties.

8 6. This Interim Consent Agreement, once approved and signed, is a public record that  
9 will be publicly disseminated as a formal action of the Board and will be reported to the National  
10 Practitioner Databank and on the Board's website.

11 7. If any part of the Interim Consent Agreement is later declared void or otherwise  
12 unenforceable, the remainder of the Interim Consent Agreement in its entirety shall remain in  
13 force and effect.

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15 DUAN COPELAND, M.D.

Dated: 10/30/8

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1 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

2 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the  
3 practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.

4 2. Respondent is the holder of License No. 35699 for the practice of allopathic  
5 medicine in the State of Arizona.

6 3. On October 27, 2008, the Arizona Medical Board received a complaint from  
7 Summit Healthcare Regional Medical Center that Respondent may be unsafe to practice  
8 medicine.

9 4. Respondent met with Board Staff and the Board's Addiction Medicine Consultant  
10 on October 29, 2008.

11 5. Based on the information in the Board's possession there is evidence that if  
12 Respondent were to practice medicine in Arizona there would be a danger to the public health  
13 and safety.

14 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

15 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over  
16 Respondent.

17 2. The Executive Director may enter into a consent agreement with a physician if  
18 there is evidence of danger to the public health and safety. A.R.S. § 32-1405(C)(25); A.A.C.  
19 R4-16-504.

20 **ORDER**

21 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

22 1. Respondent shall not practice clinical medicine or any medicine involving direct  
23 patient care, and is prohibited from prescribing any form of treatment including prescription  
24 medications, until Respondent applies to the Board and receives permission to do so.

25 2. This is an interim order and not a final decision by the Board regarding the pending

1 investigative file and as such is subject to further consideration by the Board.

2 DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.



ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

By *L. S. Wynn*  
 LISA S. WYNN  
 Executive Director

8 ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this  
9 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008 with:

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