



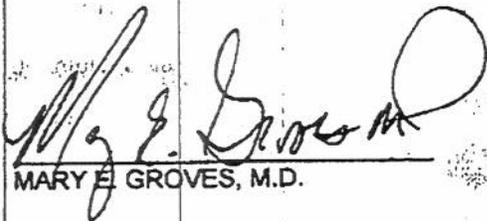
1 Agreement. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Any modifications to  
2 this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved by the parties.

3 6. This Consent Agreement, once approved and signed, is a public record that will be  
4 publicly disseminated as a formal action of the Board and will be reported to the National  
5 Practitioner Data Bank and to the Arizona Medical Board's website.

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

9 8. If the Board does not adopt this Consent Agreement, Respondent will not assert as  
10 a defense that the Board's consideration of the Consent Agreement constitutes bias, prejudice,  
11 prejudgment or other similar defense.

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MARY E GROVES, M.D.

Dated: 16/5/07

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

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

5 2. Respondent is the holder of License No. 30315 for the practice of allopathic  
6 medicine in the State of Arizona.

7 3. In 2004 Respondent and the Board entered into a Consent Agreement for  
8 Suspension of License ("2004 Consent"). Under the terms of the 2004 Consent Respondent was  
9 required to establish care with a primary care physician ("PCP") approved by Board Staff. The  
10 Order also required PCP to file quarterly reports with the Board regarding Respondent's current  
11 physical condition and dependence on pain medications. Respondent did not present to the PCP  
12 for the quarter ending March 2007 and the Board did not receive a quarterly report for this same  
13 quarter.

14 4 On February 13, 2007 the Board received a complaint from Respondent's patient  
15 ("DS"). DS reported Respondent was her primary care physician and she had been trying to get  
16 her records from Respondent since October of 2005 when she went to Respondent's office and  
17 found no one there. There was a note on the door instructing patients to submit a written request  
18 to a Post Office Box address. There was also a phone number listed on the notice. DS made the  
19 written request and her letter was returned to her as undeliverable. DS then called the phone  
20 number listed on the notice and a gentleman named Frank took her information and told her he  
21 would attempt to locate her medical records. Frank subsequently contacted DS and told her he  
22 could not find her records and they were most likely lost.

23 5. Respondent admits to the acts described above and that they constitute  
24 unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(a)("[v]iolating any federal or state laws,  
25 rules or regulations applicable to the practice of medicine,") specifically, A.R.S. § 12-2293(A); and

1 A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(r) (“[v]iolating a formal order, probation, consent agreement or stipulation  
2 issued or entered into by the board or its executive director under this chapter.”).

3 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

4 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over  
5 Respondent.

6 2. The Board possesses statutory authority to enter into a consent agreement with a  
7 physician and accept the surrender of an active license from a physician who admits to having  
8 committed an act of unprofessional conduct. A.R.S. § 32-1451(T)(2).

9 **ORDER**

10 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT License Number 30315, issued to Mary E. Groves, M.D.  
11 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona, is surrendered.

12 DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 8th day of May 2007.



ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

16 By [Signature]  
17 TIMOTHY C. MILLER, J.D.  
18 Executive Director

19 ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this  
8th day of May 2007 with:

20 The Arizona Medical Board  
21 9545 East Doubletree Ranch Road  
22 Scottsdale, AZ 85258

23 EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing delivered  
24 By US Mail this 8th day of May 2007 to:

25 Mary E. Groves, M.D.  
Address of Record  
[Signature]