

BEFORE THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD
STATE OF COLORADO
CASE NO: 2019-5460-A

ORDER OF SUSPENSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-104(4), C.R.S.

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AS A PHYSICIAN
IN THE STATE OF COLORADO OF GEOFFREY S. KIM, M.D., LICENSE NO. DR-
43664

Respondent.

TO: GEOFFREY S. KIM, M.D.,
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Inquiry Panel A (“Panel”) of the Colorado Medical Board (the “Colorado Board”), having reviewed this matter during its meeting of the Panel on January 9, 2020, hereby finds as follows:

1. Respondent was licensed to practice medicine in the state of Colorado on June 15, 2005, and was issued license number DR-43664, which Respondent has held continuously since that date.

2. On December 12, 2019 the Panel reviewed materials relating to case number 2019-5460-A and found that based upon the information reviewed, the Panel had reasonable grounds to believe that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action and/or that Respondent was guilty of a deliberate and willful violation of the Medical Practice Act. The Panel reviewed information that Respondent was scheduled to perform a breast augmentation on Patient 1. After anesthesia was administered by a certified nurse anesthetist, the patient arrested and began turning blue. CPR was performed, and the patient was resuscitated, but she never regained consciousness. Despite requests by other healthcare providers present in the operating room, Respondent failed to contact emergency personnel to transport the patient to the hospital for nearly six hours.

3. On December 16, 2019, the Panel issued its Notice of Right to Request Pre-Suspension Hearing, authorizing Respondent to appear for a pre-suspension hearing on January 9, 2020.

4. On January 9, 2020, the Panel presided over the Pre-Suspension Hearing where Respondent presented information and the Panel reviewed materials relating to case 2019-5460-A. The Panel found that based upon the information reviewed, the Panel had reasonable grounds to believe that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action and/or that Respondent was guilty of a deliberate and willful

violation of the Medical Practice Act. In addition to the concerns that the Panel had identified at its prior meeting, the Panel also found that:

a. Respondent failed to transfer Patient 1 to higher level of care for approximately 5 hours following an asystolic arrest.

5. Based upon paragraphs 1-4, the Panel has objective and reasonable grounds to believe and finds that Respondent deliberately and willfully violated the Medical Practice Act and/or that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action.

6. The Panel incorporates paragraphs 1-5 in its findings for this Order of Suspension from the practice of medicine.

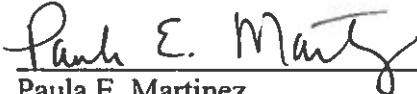
7. The Panel is therefore authorized by Section 24-4-104(4), C.R.S. to suspend Respondent's license to practice medicine in this state pending proceedings for suspension or revocation.

WHEREFORE, it is ordered that:

1. Respondent's license to practice medicine in this state is hereby suspended, effective at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, January 9, 2020.
2. The suspension shall remain in effect until resolution of this matter.

ENTERED this 9th day of January, 2020.

FOR THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD
INQUIRY PANEL A



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Delegated by Panel A to sign on its behalf