

1 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD**

2 In the Matter of  
3 **JOEL A. HAYDEN, M.D.**  
4 Holder of License No. 23390  
5 For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine in the  
6 State of Arizona.

**CASE No: MD-22-0255A**

**REQUEST FOR LICENSE  
INACTIVATION WITH CAUSE AND  
ORDER INACTIVATING LICENSE  
WITH CAUSE**

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8 1. I, Joel A. Hayden, M.D. ("Respondent"), am the holder of License No. 23390 to  
9 practice allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.

10 2. I hereby request that, effective at 5:00 p.m. on the date of the following Order,  
11 the Arizona Medical Board ("Board") inactivate with cause my license to practice  
12 allopathic medicine number 23390 pursuant to A.R.S. §32-1452(F). I participated in the  
13 Board's Physician Health Program ("PHP"), from September 18, 2009 through January  
14 26, 2015 and no longer qualify for a confidential Board Order.

15 3. I will not practice medicine in Arizona or any other state, territory or district of the  
16 United States or a foreign country while my Arizona license is inactive. I may not hold or  
17 maintain a controlled substance certificate with the Drug Enforcement Administration or  
18 write or refill prescriptions as long as my license is inactive. If I practice medicine while my  
19 license is inactive I will be practicing medicine without a license and/or without being  
20 exempt from licensure, which amongst other things, is a felony.

21 4. I shall not request reactivation of my license to practice medicine in Arizona until I  
22 complete a long-term care residential program, an inpatient hospital treatment program,  
23 an intensive outpatient treatment program or any combination of these programs as  
24 required by A.R.S. § 32-1452(F) and subsequently complete an assessment with the  
25 Board's PHP Contractor, and the Board is in receipt of the assessment findings and

1 recommendations. I understand that I may also be required to complete other evaluations  
2 if deemed necessary by the Board. The Board will not reactivate my license until I present  
3 evidence satisfactory to the Board, in its sole discretion, that I am medically competent  
4 and mentally and physically able to safely practice medicine in the State of Arizona.

5 DATED this 16 day of March, 2022.

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8 JOEL A. HAYDEN, M.D.

8 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 9 1. Respondent currently holds an active license to practice medicine in this state.  
10 2. Respondent was under a Board stipulation or probationary order pursuant to  
11 A.R.S. § 32-1452 that is no longer in effect.  
12 3. On March 14, 2022, the Board received a complaint from the Hospital where  
13 Respondent held privileges stating that Respondent had presented to work impaired.  
14 4. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1452(F), Respondent has requested that his license to  
15 practice medicine in the State of Arizona be placed on the status of Inactive with Cause.

16 **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

- 17 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over  
18 Licensee.  
19 2. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional  
20 conduct pursuant to A.R.S. §32-1401(27)(f) ("Exhibiting a pattern of using or being under  
21 the influence of alcohol or drugs or a similar substance while practicing medicine or to the  
22 extent that judgment may be impaired and the practice of medicine detrimentally  
23 affected.") and A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(r) ("Committing any conduct or practice that is or  
24 might be harmful or dangerous to the health of the patient or the public.").

25 **ORDER**

1 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

2 1. License number 23390 held by Respondent is Inactivated with Cause.

3 2. Before Respondent can request that his license be reactivated, he shall  
4 successfully complete a long-term care residential program, an inpatient hospital  
5 treatment program, an intensive outpatient treatment program or any combination of these  
6 programs and shall meet the applicable requirements of A.R.S. §32-1431(D).

7 3. Once Respondent has completed treatment, the Board shall determine if it should  
8 refer the matter for a formal hearing for the purpose of suspending or revoking the license  
9 or to place Respondent on probation for a minimum of five (5) years with restrictions  
10 necessary to ensure public safety.

11 DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022.

13 ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

14 By: Patricia E. McSorley  
15 Patricia E. McSorley  
16 Executive Director

17 EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed  
18 This 17th day of March, 2022 to:

19 Joel A. Hayden, M.D.  
20 Address of Record

21 ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this  
22 17th day of March, 2019 with:

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