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Laguna Beach Physician Surrenders License to Practice Medicine

SACRAMENTO – The Medical Board has adopted the stipulated surrender of Baruch Fogel’s license to practice medicine in the state of California, effective March 27, 2017. “The Medical Board’s primary mission is public protection and this action reflects the Board’s ongoing commitment to that mission,” said the Board’s executive director Kimberly Kirchmeyer.

In summary, on May 24, 2016, an Accusation was filed against Fogel. The Accusation involved an August 3, 2015 federal court judgement against Fogel for willful failures to file reports of foreign bank and financial accounts in violation of the law. Fogel was sentenced to two years’ probation and ordered to pay restitution to the U.S. government for tax years 2003 through 2009. The Accusation was filed for the following causes of discipline: conviction of crimes substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a physician and surgeon; dishonesty or corruption; unprofessional conduct; and violation of the Medical Practice Act. The documents pertaining to these actions can be found at:

<http://www2.mbc.ca.gov/BreezePDL/default.aspx?licenseType=A&licenseNumber=44758&name=FOGEL, BARUCH>

The Medical Board encourages individuals to be informed patients and Check Up On Your Doctor’s License at www.mbc.ca.gov or call (800) 633-2322.

The mission of the Medical Board of California is to protect health care consumers through the proper licensing and regulation of physicians and surgeons and certain allied health care professions and through the vigorous, objective enforcement of the Medical Practice Act, and to promote access to quality medical care through the Board’s licensing and regulatory functions.

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