

News Release

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Arcadia Physician Surrenders License to Practice Medicine

SACRAMENTO – The Medical Board has adopted the surrender of Steve R. Leong's license to practice medicine in the state of California. The stipulated surrender of Leong's license becomes effective October 1, 2016. "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 June 4, 2013, a misdemeanor complaint was filed against Leong in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, for false imprisonment, sexual battery, and battery. Also on June 4, 2013, Leong was ordered not to work at any medical facility. On July 23, 2013 and August 26, 2013, amended complaints were filed adding additional charges including the sexual exploitation of female patients. Leong pled no contest to false imprisonment and sexual exploitation. Leong was convicted, placed on summary probation for five years and was prohibited from practicing medicine on female patients. On October 10, 2015, an Administrative Law Judge issued a partial interim Suspension Order (ISO) requiring Leong to have a third-party chaperone present while treating female patients. On November 5, 2015, the Board filed an Accusation against Leong, which was amended on March 5, 2016, for sexual abuse or misconduct, sexual exploitation of patients, conviction of crimes substantially related to the practice of medicine, corrupt acts, unprofessional conduct, and failure to report a conviction to the Board. The public documents for the case can be found here:

https://www.breeze.ca.gov/datamart/publicRecordDetailsCADCA.do?tableid=1502&lictyp=800 2&licid=683964&licNumber=53808&rank=A&desc=Administrative Disciplinary Actions&recordid=16014235&from=/details&name=LEONG%2C+STEVE+RICHARD&licTypeDesc=Physician+and+Surgeon+A

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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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