



OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION
2018-110A

Billy H. Stout, M.D., Board Secretary
State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision
101 NE 51st Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

April 11, 2018

Dear Dr. Billy H. Stout, M.D., Board Secretary:

This office has received your request for a written Attorney General Opinion regarding action that the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision intends to take with respect to medical licensee MD 31681 in case 17-06-5475. The licensee falsified an application for renewal by misrepresenting a previous disciplinary action in a different jurisdiction. The Board proposes to issue a formal reprimand, impose a fine of \$5,000, require the licensee to take an ethics examination, and to pay all costs of the action.

The Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act authorizes the Board to suspend or revoke a license and order other appropriate sanctions against a licensee for unprofessional conduct, which includes "[t]he violation, or attempted violation, direct or indirect, of any of the provisions of the Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act." 59 O.S.Supp.2017, §§ 503, 509(13). The Act requires licensees to report any disciplinary action taken against them in other states or jurisdictions. *Id.* § 495a.1 (A)(1)(a). The Board may reasonably believe that the proposed action is necessary to protect public health and safety.

It is, therefore, the official opinion of the Attorney General that the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision has adequate support for the conclusion that this action advances the State's policy of protecting the health, safety, and well-being of the citizens of Oklahoma.

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MIKE HUNTER
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA

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