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Billy H. Stout, M.D., Board Secretary  
State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision  
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May 12, 2022

Dear Dr. Stout:

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 application 38681.

The Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act authorizes the Board to promulgate rules to enforce the provisions of the Act. 59 O.S.2021, § 489. According to Board rules, an application for license may be denied by a majority vote of Board members. OAC 435:10-4-9. The Board may reasonably believe that the proposed action is necessary to protect public health and safety.


In August 2021, the applicant applied for an Oklahoma medical license. Although required to do so, Applicant failed to disclose the following information in his application:

1. Applicant had a prior malpractice settlement.
2. Applicant's medical license was revoked by the California Medical Board, and
3. Applicant had not practiced medicine since June 2009.

The Board proposes to deny the license. Considering the information presented to this office, the Board may reasonably believe the proposed action is necessary to deter future violations.

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 board action advances the State's policy of protecting the health, safety, and well-being of the citizens of Oklahoma.

  
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