

BEFORE THE IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE

IN THE MATTER OF THE STATEMENT OF CHARGES AGAINST

ROUBEN MIRBEGIAN, M.D., RESPONDENT

FILE No. 02-12-354

**STATEMENT OF CHARGES and SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
(Combined)**

COMES NOW the Iowa Board of Medicine (Board) and Rouben Mirbegan, M.D., (Respondent), on August 30, 2013, and pursuant to Iowa Code sections 17A.10(2) and 272C.3(4) and 653 IAC 25.3, enter into this combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement.

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

1. Respondent was issued Iowa medical license no. 24293 on June 26, 1984.
2. Respondent's Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on October 1, 1992.
3. The Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 147, 148 and 272C.

COUNT I

4. **Discipline by Another Licensing Authority:** Respondent is charged pursuant to Iowa Code section 148.6(2)(d) and 653 IAC 23.1(1) with having a license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery revoked or suspended, or having other disciplinary action taken by a licensing authority of another state, territory, or country. A certified copy of the order of disciplinary action is prima facie evidence.

STATEMENT OF THE MATTERS ASSERTED

5. Respondent is an Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced orthopedic surgery in Fort Bragg, California.

6. **California Disciplinary Action:** On or about February 17, 2012, Respondent was disciplined by the Medical Board of California (California Board). The California Board alleged that Respondent failed to provide appropriate surgical care and failed to maintain appropriate medical records for multiple patients in 2009 in Fort Bragg, California. Respondent surrendered his California medical license to resolve the disciplinary action.

7. Respondent retired from the practice of medicine in August 2009.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

8. **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER:** Respondent voluntarily surrenders his Iowa medical license to resolve this matter.

9. Respondent voluntarily submits this Order to the Board for consideration.

10. Respondent agrees that the State's counsel may present this Order to the Board for consideration.

11. By entering into this Order, Respondent understands that he has a right to be represented by legal counsel, voluntarily waives any rights to a contested case hearing on the allegations in the Statement of Charges, and waives any objections to the terms of this Order. This Order constitutes the resolution of a contested case proceeding.

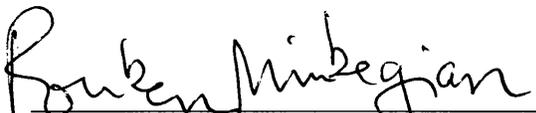
12. Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws, and all rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa.

13. Respondent understands that the Board is required by Federal law to report this Order to the National Practitioner Data Bank and Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank.

14. The Order becomes a public record available for inspection and copying upon execution in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code Chapters 17A, 22 and 272C.

15. This Order is subject to approval of the Board. If the Board fails to approve this Order it shall be of no force or effect to either party.

16. The Board's approval of this Order shall constitute a **Final Order** of the Board.


Rouben Mirbegian, M.D., Respondent

Subscribed and sworn to before me on _____, 2013.

Notary Public, State of _____.

This Order is approved by the Board on August 30, 2013.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Greg Hoversten".

Gregory B. Hoversten, D.O., Chairman
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