North Carolina Medical Board

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March 27, 2024

**Via Attorney of Record**

Mark Joseph Gage, M.D.
[redacted]

Dear Dr. Gage:

The North Carolina Medical Board ("Board") has concluded its investigation regarding your care of Patient A. It is the Board's decision not to commence formal proceedings against your license. However, the Board voted to issue you this public letter of concern. The Board does not consider a public letter of concern to be a disciplinary action or a limitation or restriction on your license.

The Board is concerned that your attempted repair of Patient A's scapular spine fracture following reverse shoulder arthroplasty may have departed from the prevailing medical practice. Specifically, you applied two plates to address the scapular neck fracture but did not repair the scapular spine fracture by plating at the fracture site. The Board's reviewing surgeon felt a reduction and internal fixation of the scapular spine fracture was the preferred surgical approach.

The Board urges you to take steps to ensure the conduct giving rise to the Board's concerns does not happen again. Otherwise, the Board may take additional action against your license to practice medicine. If that happens, this letter may be reviewed in determining the appropriate action.

This letter is a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes and is subject to public inspection and dissemination as required by that law. It will be reported to the Federation of State Medical Boards.

Sincerely,

Christine Khandelwal, DO

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## Consent and Waiver

I, Mark Joseph Gage, M.D., would like to resolve this matter without the need for more formal proceedings and consent to the Board's issuance of this public letter of concern in resolution of the above matter. I hereby waive any requirement under any law or rule that this public letter of concern be served on me.

Consented to this the 26 day of MARCH, 2024.

Mark Joseph Gage, M.D.

State of Maryland

County of Baltimore

I, MARK GAGE, do hereby certify that Mark Joseph Gage, M.D. personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal this the 26 day of March, 2024.

Shanice Brown
Notary Public

(Official Seal)

My Commission Expires: May 17, 2027