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TMB suspends San Antonio physician

On January 2, 2015 a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical license of Fermin Briones, Jr., M.D., a San Antonio psychiatrist, after determining his continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately.

The Board panel found that on June 6, 2014, a report with the Alamo Heights Police Department was filed alleging that Dr. Briones had initiated and nurtured a sexual relationship with a patient. Physical evidence, including videos, emails, and texts messages, demonstrate there was a sexual relationship.

Dr. Briones continues to communicate with the patient via email and attempted to persuade her to not participate in the Board proceedings. On December 30, 2014, Dr. Briones sent an email to the patient threatening to report her to her professional licensing board should she continue to participate in the proceedings against him at the Board.

A temporary suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Dr. Briones, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Dr. Briones.

The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

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