BEFORE THE COMPOSITE STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:)		Composite State Board
CHARLES ROSSMAN, M.D.,)		Composite State Board of Medical Examiners
License No. 33690,) DOCKET NO.	MAY 1 5 2003	
Respondent.		DOCKET NUMBER	

ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION

1.

WHEREAS, Respondent is licensed by the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia.

2.

WHEREAS, the Board has received information that on or about May 9, 2003, a thirty-week pregnant female patient presented to Respondent for an abortion, that Respondent administered several pills to the patient, that the patient subsequently delivered the baby in Respondent's office, and that Respondent was not in his office at the time of the delivery.

3.

WHEREAS, the Board has received information that on or about May 13, 2003, investigators from the Valdosta Police Department seized prescription bottles from Respondent's office, which bottles were labeled with the names of Respondent's patients.

4.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board finds that Respondent's continued practice as a physician poses a threat to the public health, safety and welfare and imperatively require emergency action and hereby ORDERS that Respondent's license to practice as a physician in the State of Georgia be and is hereby SUMMARILY SUSPENDED pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-18(c)(1), pending further proceedings on behalf of the Board, which shall be promptly instituted.

If the Respondent wishes to have an expedited hearing, Respondent shall execute and file with the Office of State Administrative Hearings the original and one copy of the attached REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED HEARING no later than fourteen (14) days from the day of service or receipt of this Order. Respondent also shall serve a copy of such REQUEST upon counsel for the Board as identified in the REQUEST.

This Order is signed and attested by the Executive Director on behalf of the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners.

This 15# day of May 2003.

COMPOSITE STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

EDDIE R. CHEEKS, M.D.

President

(BOARD SEAL)

KAREN MASON

Executive Director

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