

BEFORE THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF

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CASE NO. 21-CRF-0201

RAED JITAN, M.D.

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ENTRY OF ORDER  
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On July 13, 2022, the State Medical Board of Ohio considered a Proposed Findings and Proposed Order in the matter of Raed Jitan, M.D., and issued a Findings, Order and Journal Entry, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Upon further review, it has been determined that the order contained a clerical error within paragraph A.

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that paragraph A, of the Findings, Order and Journal Entry of the State Medical Board of Ohio in the matter of Raed Jitan, M.D., be hereby CORRECTED to read as follows:

- A. The license of Raed A. Jitan, M.D., to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Ohio shall be PERMANENTLY REVOKED.

This Order shall become effective immediately upon the mailing of the notification of approval by the Board.



Kim G. Rothermel, M.D.  
Secretary

(SEAL)

August 1, 2022

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July 13, 2022

Raed Jitan, M.D.  
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RE: Case No. 21-CRF-0201

Dear Dr. Jitan:

Please find enclosed a certified copy of the Findings, Order and Journal Entry approved and confirmed by the State Medical Board meeting in regular session on July 13, 2022.

Section 119.12, Ohio Revised Code, may authorize an appeal from this Order. Any such appeal must be filed in accordance with all requirements specified in Section 119.12, Ohio Revised Code, and must be filed with the State Medical Board of Ohio and the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas within (15) days after the date of mailing of this notice.

THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO

Kim G. Rothermel, M.D.  
Secretary

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the attached copy of the Findings, Order and Journal Entry approved by the State Medical Board, meeting in regular session on July 13, 2022, constitutes a true and complete copy of the Findings, Order and Journal Entry in the Matter of Raed Jitan, M.D., Case No. 21-CRF-0201, as it appears in the Journal of the State Medical Board of Ohio.

This Certification is made by the authority of the State Medical Board of Ohio in its behalf.

(SEAL)

  
Kim G. Rothermel, M.D.  
Secretary

July 13, 2022

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**BEFORE THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO**

IN THE MATTER OF :  
 : Case No. 21-CRF-0201  
RAED JITAN, M.D. :

**FINDINGS, ORDER AND JOURNAL ENTRY**


This matter came on for consideration before the State Medical Board of Ohio on July 13, 2022, pursuant to a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing issued to Raek Jitan M.D., on November 10, 2021. No request for hearing having been received within the statutorily mandated time period, Hearing Examiner Thomas E. Madden, Esq., on behalf of the Board, reviewed and summarized evidence supporting the Notice, and prepared Proposed Findings and a Proposed Order.

WHEREFORE, having reviewed Mr. Madden's Proposed Findings and Proposed Order, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, the Board hereby adopts the Proposed Findings and Proposed Order.

It is hereby ORDERED that:

- A. The license of Raed A. Jitan, M.D., to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Ohio shall be REVOKED.
- B. Within thirty days of the effective date of this Order, Dr. Jitan shall remit payment in full of a fine of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000). Such payment shall be made via credit card in the manner specified by the Board through its online portal, or by other manner as specified by the Board.

This Order shall become effective immediately upon the mailing of the notification of approval by the Board.

  
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Kim G. Rothermel, M.D.  
Secretary

(SEAL)

July 13, 2022  
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Date

STATE MEDICAL BOARD  
OF OHIO

RECEIVED:  
May 25, 2022

**BEFORE THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO**

**In the Matter of**

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**Case No. 21-CRF-0201**

**Raed Jitan, M.D.**

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**Respondent.**

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**Hearing Examiner Madden**

**PROPOSED FINDINGS AND PROPOSED ORDER**

Basis for Action:

*Notice of Opportunity for Hearing:* In a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing dated November 10, 2021 (“Notice”), the State Medical Board of Ohio (“Board”) notified Raed Jitan, M.D., that it proposed to take disciplinary action against his license to practice medicine and surgery in Ohio. The Board based its proposed action on allegations that, on or about August 2, 2021, the New Jersey Department of Law, and Public Safety Division of Consumer Affairs State Board of Medical Examiners (the New Jersey Board) issued an order suspending his license to practice medicine and surgery for eight years, a minimum of five years to be served as an active suspension. Before reinstatement would be considered, the New Jersey Board ordered him to undergo a psychological evaluation. Dr. Jitan was also ordered to pay a \$10,000 fine, and \$27,636 in attorney fees. The Board also based its proposed action based on his guilty plea to Invasion of Privacy, which took place on or about February 14, 2020, a third-degree crime in the State of New Jersey (which is considered a felony in Ohio), where he was sentenced to two years of non-custodial probation for video-taping his daughter in her bedroom and bathroom in various stages of undress for approximately five (5) years.

The Board alleged that the New Jersey Board’s Final Order constitutes “[a]ny of the following actions taken by an agency responsible for authorizing, certifying, or regulating an individual to practice a health care occupation or provide health care services in this state or another jurisdiction, for any reason other than the nonpayment of fees: the limitation, revocation, or suspension of an individual's license to practice; acceptance of an individual's license surrender; denial of a license; refusal to renew or reinstate a license; imposition of probation; or issuance of an order of censure or other reprimand,” as set forth in Ohio Revised Code Section (“R.C.”) 4731.22(B)(22). (Ex. 1, 1.A)

The Board further alleged that Dr. Jitan's actions constituted a "plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a felony," as that clause is used in Section 4731.22(B)(9), Ohio Revised Code. (Ex. 1, 1.A)

*No Request for Hearing:* On November 12, 2021, the Board mailed the Notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Dr. Jitan at his address of record. On November 15, 2021, the United States Postal Service successfully delivered the Notice to Dr. Jitan's address of record. On November 10, 2021, the Board also mailed the Notice, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Dr. Jitan's counsel of record, Mr. Michael J. Pappa. The Board's Chief Legal Counsel attested in a sworn affidavit dated December 21, 2021, that the thirtieth and final date that Dr. Jitan could request a hearing was December 13, 2021, and that, as of the date of the affidavit, the Board had not received a request for hearing from Dr. Jitan. (Ex. 1, 1.A –1.B)

*Request for Proposed Findings and Proposed Order:* In a memorandum dated January 21, 2022, the Assistant Legal Counsel requested that a hearing examiner review the evidence as provided and prepare a report of Proposed Findings and Proposed Order. (Ex. 4)

Evidence Examined:

Exhibit 1: December 21, 2021 Affidavit of Kimberly C. Anderson, Chief Legal Counsel, regarding service of the Notice on Dr. Jitan and attesting that the final day to request a hearing was December 13, 2021 and that no request for hearing had been received as of the date of the affidavit. Ms. Anderson further authenticated the following documents:

Exhibit 1.A: Copy of the Notice dated November 10, 2021 (mailed November 12, 2021) sent by the Board by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Dr. Jitan at his address of record.

Exhibit 1.B: Copy of the USPS certified mail confirmation and associated tracking documentation for the Notice demonstrating that service was completed to Dr. Jitan's address of record on November 15, 2021.

Exhibit 2: January 5, 2022 Affidavit of Joseph S. Turek, Director of Licensure & Licensee Services, who attested to Dr. Jitan's address of record and that his Ohio license was issued on July 16, 2004 and expired on October 1, 2018.

Exhibit 3: January 21, 2022, Affidavit of Patrick Haegerty, Enforcement Attorney, attesting to his role in the investigation of Dr. Jitan and attaching the following document:

Exhibit 3.A: October 19, 2021, Certification of Angela Canepa, Deputy Director of Investigations, Compliance and Enforcement, certifying and authenticating the following documents as contained in the Board's enforcement records: Thirty-eight pages obtained by the State Medical Board of Ohio containing an August 2, 2021 Final Order Suspending License to Practice Medicine and Surgery, issued by the State of New Jersey

Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Consumer Affairs State Board of Medical Examiners dated August 2, 2021.

Exhibit 3.B: Copy of Judgment of Conviction, dated February 14, 2020, wherein Raed Jitan, M.D. pled guilty on February 19, 2019, and was sentenced to two (2) years of probation and was ordered to have no contact with the victim and obtain a mental health evaluation.

Exhibit 4: January 21, 2022 Memorandum from Colin G. De Pew, Assistant Legal Counsel, attaching the above-referenced exhibits and requesting a report of Proposed Findings and Proposed Order.

### **PROPOSED FINDINGS**

1. Raed A. Jitan, M.D., was first licensed to practice medicine and surgery in Ohio on July 16, 2004. His license expired on October 1, 2018.

*This proposed finding is supported by the following evidence: Ex. 2.*

2. On August 2, 2021, the New Jersey Board issued its Final Order Suspending License to Practice Medicine and Surgery in which it found that Dr. Jitan violated N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f) for a “crime of moral turpitude” that “related adversely to the practice of medicine[.]” The evidence demonstrated that Dr. Jitan repeatedly recorded, over the period of five years, his daughter “with her intimate parts exposed.” (NJ Bd. Order, p. 17.) According to the New Jersey Board, the “secret recordings” started in 2011 and “continued for a period of approximately five years before Dr. Jitan was ultimately arrested on February 9, 2016.” (NJ Bd. Order, p. 1.) A search of Dr. Jitan’s home led to the discovery of fifty-three “electronic devices” found in his master bedroom. After reviewing the evidence seized, one billion photographs and sixteen thousand videos, some of which his daughter was in a “state of undress” were recovered. (NJ Bd. Order, p. 18.) Although Dr. Jitan claimed that the surveillance was installed to catch his daughter using drugs and alcohol, after police reviewed the extensive material for two years, no such conduct was revealed. (Id.) In fact, the New Jersey Board found that Dr. Jitan’s “claim that his daughter [omit] was engaging in drug and alcohol use [was] not substantiated by the record[.]” (NJ Bd. Order, p. 23.) The NJ Board further opined “even if we were to accept Dr. Jitan’s claim that he was concerned that his daughter was using marijuana, that clearly does not in any way justify or excuse his flagrant disregard for his daughter’s privacy interest.” (Id.) Notably, the NJ Board credited evidence that Dr. Jitan engaged in “internet browsing history and searches related to father-daughter incest pornography.” (NJ Bd. Order, p. 24.) In other words, the New Jersey Board rejected Dr. Jitan’s “protestations that his motive or intent for filming [his daughter] was limited to fatherly concern for a wayward daughter.” (Id.) After finding Dr. Jitan’s “conduct egregious,” the New Jersey Board imposed an eight-year suspension of his license (five years active). (NJ Bd. Order, p. 25, 29.) The New Jersey Board further ordered that in the event Dr. Jitan seeks reinstatement, he must first submit to a “comprehensive psychological evaluation[.]” (NJ Bd. Order, p. 25, 29-30.) Should

reinstatement be approved, the New Jersey Board ordered that Dr. Jitan must have a chaperone present when he examines any female or minor patients. (NJ Bd. Order, p. 30-31.)

*This proposed finding is supported by the following evidence:* Exs. 3, 3.A

3. On December 19, 2019, Dr. Jitan pled guilty to invasion of privacy-record sex act without consent, in the third degree, under N.J.S.A. 2C:14-9(B)(1). On February 14, 2020, Dr. Jitan was sentenced to two years' probation and was also ordered to have no victim contact and to complete a mental health evaluation and comply with all recommendations.

*This proposed finding is supported by the following evidence:* Exs. 3, 3.B

4. The acts, conduct, or and/or omissions of Dr. Jitan as set forth in Proposed Findings of Fact 2 above, individually and/or collectively, constitute “[a]ny of the following actions taken by an agency responsible for authorizing, certifying, or regulating an individual to practice a health care occupation or provide health care services in this state or another jurisdiction, for any reason other than the nonpayment of fees: the limitation, revocation, or suspension of an individual’s license; refusal to renew or reinstate a license; imposition of probation; or issuance of an order of censure or other reprimand,” as that clause is used in R.C. 7431.22(B)(22) of the Ohio Revised Code.
5. The acts, conduct, or and/or omissions of Dr. Jitan as set forth in Proposed Findings of Fact 3 above, individually and/or collectively, constitute a “plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a felony,” as that clause is used in Section 4731.22(B)(9), Ohio Revised Code.
6. Pursuant to R.C. 4731.225, the Board is authorized to impose a civil penalty for this violation. The Board’s fining guidelines provide as follows:

Maximum Fine: \$20,000  
Minimum Fine: \$8,000

### **RATIONALE FOR THE PROPOSED ORDER**

In our republic, a parent’s home is his or her castle and is entitled to privacy. *Lange v. California*, 141 S.Ct. 2011 (2021). Moreover, parents have a right to raise their children in conformance with the religious beliefs, morals, and customs of their choosing. *Wisconsin v. Yoder*, 406 U.S. 205 (1972). However, Dr. Jitan’s criminal acts perpetrated against his own daughter went well beyond those recognized protections and justifies the severest penalty in this Board’s statutory portfolio.



The judgment of conviction, along with the New Jersey Board's Order, are sufficient to find a violation of the Board's statutory charges. However, a closer look at the circumstances was performed in order to recommend an appropriate sanction. In the limited record before this Board, the New Jersey Board's Order almost exclusively provides the details surrounding Dr. Jitan's conviction and discipline. (Ex. 3.A - NJ Bd. Order.) Dr. Jitan, under the pretext of parental supervision, placed cameras in his daughter's bedroom and bathroom, and video-taped and photographed his daughter without her consent, often when she was naked. This went on for years. At his hearing, Dr. Jitan admitted as much. At the time of his arrest, close to a billion photos, and thousands of hours of footage, were found in Dr. Jitan's possession. Much of the footage and photographs involved his daughter with her intimate parts exposed. Dr. Jitan claimed he suspected his daughter was smoking marijuana and drinking alcohol, acts forbidden by his religious beliefs and personal values, and allegedly wished to catch her in the act in order to teach her a valuable lesson. However, after two years of reviewing the immense number of photos and video footage, police found no evidence confirming Dr. Jitan's alleged concerns. The evidence showed that Dr. Jitan continuously taped and watched his daughter in comprised circumstances even after his alleged suspicions never actually materialized. Notably, the New Jersey Board concluded that there was no confiscated footage that supported his assertions or could possibly excuse his deplorable behavior. To make matters much more sinister, police found searches on Dr. Jitan's computer for child pornography focused on parent/daughter sexual encounters.

It is usually the custom of the Board to impose a similar sanction imposed by the sister state. However, it is the Hearing Officer's judgment that an eight-year suspension (five years active) is not sufficient given the serious nature and depravity of Dr. Jitan's actions. After reading the New Jersey Board's findings, the Hearing Officer firmly believes that Dr. Jitan's motivation for his around-the-clock surveillance of his daughter, in places where he knew she would likely be in a state of undress, were for sexual gratification as opposed of his assertions of parental care. Because Dr. Jitan was a successful physician for decades, with credentials at three different hospitals, it is hard to believe that he could not afford to utilize less intrusive means of getting to the bottom of his daughter's alleged drug and alcohol use, like random drug testing and counseling, instead of a covert surveillance in her bedroom and bathroom—places he knew she would likely be in a state of undress. Moreover, even assuming Dr. Jitan could not afford testing and counseling, he could have simply randomly and regularly searched her bedroom and belongings.

Given the sheer girth of photos and videos found in Dr. Jitan's possession, coupled with his troubling search history, the Hearing Officer firmly believes that Dr. Jitan's motives for his pervasive surveillance of his own daughter were sinister and malevolent, as opposed to pure. It is the recommendation of the Hearing Officer that Dr. Jitan's license to practice medicine and surgery in Ohio be permanently revoked.

**PROPOSED ORDER**

It is hereby ORDERED that:

- A. The license of Raed A. Jitan, M.D., to practice medicine in the State of Ohio shall be PERMANENTLY REVOKED.
- B. Within thirty days of the effective date of this Order, Dr. Jitan shall remit payment in full of a fine of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000). Such payment shall be made via credit card in the manner specified by the Board through its online portal, or by other means as specified by the Board.

This Order shall become effective immediately upon the mailing of the notification of approval by the Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. E. Madden', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Thomas E. Madden  
Hearing Examiner



November 10, 2021

Case number: 21-CRF-*0201*

Raed Jitan, M.D.  
15 McCampbell Rd.  
Holmdel NJ 07733

Dear Doctor Jitan:

In accordance with Chapter 119., Ohio Revised Code, you are hereby notified that the State Medical Board of Ohio [Board] intends to determine whether or not to limit, revoke, permanently revoke, or suspend your license or certificate, or refuse to grant or register or issue the license/certificate for which you have a pending application in accordance with Section 9.79 of the Ohio Revised Code, or refuse to renew or reinstate your license or certificate to practice medicine and surgery, or to reprimand you or place you on probation for one or more of the following reasons:

- (1) On or about August 2, 2021, the State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Division of Consumer Affairs State Board of Medical Examiners (the New Jersey Board) issued a Final Order Suspending License to Practice Medicine and Surgery (the Final Order). The Final Order of the New Jersey Board issued a suspension of your license to practice medicine and surgery for eight years, a minimum of five years to be served as an active suspension. The New Jersey Board ordered additionally that if you were to seek reinstatement of licensure in the future that you are required to undergo a psychological evaluation. You were also ordered to pay attorney's fees in the amount of \$27,636 and fined \$10,000.
- (2) The New Jersey Board issued the Final Order based on your arrest on or about February 9, 2016, and subsequent numerous charges of Sexual Assault, Criminal Sexual Contact and Invasion of Privacy in Case 19-12-01666-A in the Monmouth County Superior Court of New Jersey. You entered into a guilty plea on or about December 19, 2019, to Invasion of Privacy a third-degree crime in the State of New Jersey, which would be considered a felony in the State of Ohio. On or about February 14, 2020, you were sentenced to two years of non-custodial probation. The allegations that led to these charges and the subsequent guilty plea are that starting on or around the year 2011 you began videotaping your daughter R.J. in her bedroom and bathroom without her knowledge or consent. This videotaping recorded R.J. in various states of undress and with her intimate parts exposed and continued for five (5) years until you were arrested in 2016. The evidence showed that you secretly and repeatedly videotaped your daughter and repeatedly viewed those recordings.

*Mailed 11-12-2021*

The New Jersey suspension as alleged in paragraphs (1)-(2) above, individually and/or collectively, constitutes “[a]ny of the following actions taken by an agency responsible for authorizing, certifying, or regulating an individual to practice a health care occupation or provide health care services in this state or another jurisdiction, for any reason other than the nonpayment of fees: the limitation, revocation, or suspension of an individual’s license to practice; acceptance of an individual’s license surrender; denial of a license; refusal to renew or reinstate a license; imposition of probation; or issuance of an order of censure or other reprimand,” as that clause is used in Section 4731.22(B)(22), Ohio Revised Code.

Additionally the allegations alleged in paragraph (2), constitute a “plea of guilty to, a judicial finding of guilt of, or a judicial finding of eligibility for intervention in lieu of conviction for, a felony,” as that clause is used in Section 4731.22(B)(9), Ohio Revised Code.

Furthermore, for any violations that occurred on or after September 29, 2015, the board may impose a civil penalty in an amount that shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars, pursuant to Section 4731.225, Ohio Revised Code. The civil penalty may be in addition to any other action the board may take under section 4731.22, Ohio Revised Code.

Pursuant to Chapter 119., Ohio Revised Code, you are hereby advised that you are entitled to a hearing in this matter. If you wish to request such hearing, the request must be made in writing and must be received in the offices of the State Medical Board within thirty days of the time of mailing of this notice.

You are further advised that, if you timely request a hearing, you are entitled to appear at such hearing in person, or by your attorney, or by such other representative as is permitted to practice before this agency, or you may present your position, arguments, or contentions in writing, and that at the hearing you may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for or against you.

In the event that there is no request for such hearing received within thirty days of the time of mailing of this notice, the State Medical Board may, in your absence and upon consideration of this matter, determine whether or not to limit, revoke, permanently revoke, or suspend your license or certificate, or refuse to grant or register or issue the license/certificate for which you have a pending application in accordance with Section 9.79 of the Ohio Revised Code, or refuse to renew or reinstate your license or certificate to practice medicine and surgery, or to reprimand you or place you on probation.

Please note that, whether or not you request a hearing, Section 4731.22(L), Ohio Revised Code, provides that “[w]hen the board refuses to grant or issue a license or certificate to practice to an applicant, revokes an individual’s license or certificate to practice, refuses to renew an individual’s license or certificate to practice, or refuses to reinstate an individual’s license or certificate to practice, the board may specify that its action is permanent. An individual subject to a permanent action taken by the board is forever thereafter ineligible to hold a license or certificate to practice and the board shall not accept an application for reinstatement of the license or certificate or for issuance of a new license or certificate.”

Copies of the applicable sections are enclosed for your information.

Very truly yours,



Kim C. Rothermel, M.D.  
Secretary

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