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19 February 2014

Mr Roger Bates

Via Email: rjrbs@hotmail.com

Dear Mr Bates

Notice of Board decision to take no further action

I refer to the letter advising you of the assessment of the notification about Dr Alexandra Simpson (the practitioner).

On 3 February 2014, the Queensland Medical Interim Notifications Group (the Committee) decided to take no further action under section 151 of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory (the National Law).

The Committee decided this because:

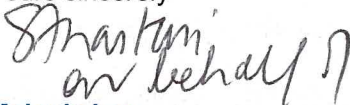
- a. The basis of the Committee's 'reasonable belief' is that it has taken into account all known considerations including:
 - i. The allegations contained in the notification information by you and the accompanying attachments received by AHPRA on 5, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 22 December 2013.
 - ii. The practitioner's response to the notification and the accompanying attachments received by AHPRA on 20 January 2014.
 - iii. The practitioner's notification history.
- b. The Committee reasonably believes that the notification is lacking in substance as:
 - i. There is no information to support the claim that the practitioner inappropriately claimed to hold registration as a psychiatrist.
 - A. The practitioner held Specialist (Psychiatry) registration with the State Board at the time of the notification incident.
 - B. The practitioner obtained her registration with the State Board after meeting the specified registration requirements.
 - C. The practitioner was also a Fellow of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP) at the time of the notification incident.
 - ii. There is no information to support the claim that the practitioner inappropriately arranged to have you arrested and placed under an ITO
 - A. The practitioner asserts that an application for a Justices Examination Order was made by your case officer on 26 July 2002. This request was approved and an Order for Examination (OE) was made. Your case officer also requested police assistance to collect you on 30 July 2002. It appears that the practitioner was not involved in this process.
 - B. The practitioner became involved with you when you were brought in by police for the OE assessment on 30 July 2002. She conducted an assessment and

- authorised you to be placed under an ITO. The practitioner states that a second assessment was completed on 2 August 2002 by another practitioner.
- C. The practitioner indicates that she *'was satisfied at the time she made the declaration as part of the recommendation of assessment the assessment criteria applied to [you]'*. The practitioner's clinical notes indicate a thorough assessment was completed prior to her making a recommendation for the ITO.
 - D. It appears the practitioner's assessment and treatment of you is reasonable.
- iii. There is no information to support the claim that the practitioner colluded to stop the patient from exposing details of a corruption scandal.
 - A. You allege that you were arrested and placed under an ITO, and that this was an abuse of the Queensland Mental Health Act 2000 as it was used to conceal *'crime, maladministration, corruption and misconduct'*, namely so that a prescription could be stolen from your house in or around 2002. It is noted that the practitioner was not involved in your collection by the QPS in July 2002.
 - B. It appears, from the documentation provided by you, that you have raised allegations of corruption about, and to, several other entities, including, but not limited to, the South Australia Police, the National Archives of Australia, the Australian Press Council, the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, and several parliament members. It is noted that the allegations of corruption between these organisations is outside the legislative jurisdiction of AHPRA and the National Boards.
- c. It is noted that you have made a previous notification about the practitioner in July 2005 relating to her *'administrative practice'*.
 - i. The notification alleges that the practitioner failed to comply with the provisions of the Mental Health Act resulting in the imposition of inappropriate drugs.
 - ii. This notification was rejected under section 48 of the Health Practitioner's (Professional Standards) Act 1999.
 - iii. It was noted, in the correspondence provided by you, signed by Mr Jim O'Dempsey, Executive Officer of the Office of the Medical Board of Queensland (MBQ) that *'the Board particularly noted in its deliberations that the issues of your complaints had earlier been addressed by Queensland Health, the Crime and Misconduct Commission and the Health Rights Commission... the issues you have raised about each of the practitioners... do not reach the threshold for disciplinary action... The Board therefore resolved that, in accordance with the recommendation of the Complaints Advisory Committee, it would not pursue investigation of your complaints'*.

Thank you for taking the time to raise your concerns. This matter has now been closed.

If you have any queries, please contact AHPRA on 1300 419 495 or qld-notifications@ahpra.gov.au quoting the reference number below.

Yours sincerely



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A/Manager, Notifications

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