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STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION

BOSTON: At its meeting today the state Board of Registration in Medicine took disciplinary action against the medical licenses of Timothy D. Stryker, M.D. and Joseph H. Kratzer, M.D.

The Board revoked the license of Dr. Timothy Stryker. The Board found that Dr. Stryker pleaded guilty in Middlesex Superior Court to several criminal charges, including subornation of perjury and conveying something of value to a witness, and was sentenced to no less than four years in prison. Dr. Stryker is a 1979 graduate of Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. He is board certified in Internal Medicine and has been licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts since 1986. The Board would like to thank the Middlesex District Attorney and his State Police Detective Unit for their assistance with this case.

In another matter, the Board found that Dr. Joseph Kratzer was disciplined by the Vermont Board of Medical Practice for failing to maintain appropriate patient medical records when he treated and prescribed controlled substances to a family member. Today the Massachusetts Board reprimanded Dr. Kratzer. Dr. Kratzer is a 1981 graduate of The Medical College of Wisconsin. He is a board certified neurologist and was first licensed to practice in Massachusetts in 1991.

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine licenses more than 32,000 physicians, osteopaths and acupuncturists. The Board was created in 1894 to protect the public health and safety by setting standards for the practice of medicine and ensuring that doctors who practice in the Commonwealth are appropriately qualified and competent. The Board investigates complaints, holds hearings and determines sanctions. More information is available at www.massmedboard.org.

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