POSSIBLE AND, IN ANY EVENT, WITHIN 1 YEAR AFTER THE COMPLAINT WAS RECEIVED BY THE BOARD.

DISPOSITION OF A COMPLAINT WITHIN 6-MONTHS 1 VEAR, THE BOARD SHALL INCLUDE IN THE RECORD OF THAT COMPLAINT A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THE REASON FOR THE DELAY.

14-502.

- (a) In investigating an allegation brought against a licensed physician under § 14-501 of this subtitle, the medical society or Faculty committee may request the [Commission] BOARD to direct, or the [Commission] BOARD on its own initiative may direct, the licensed physician to submit to an appropriate examination by a licensed physician designated by the [Commission] BOARD.
- (b) In return for the privilege given to a licensed physician to practice medicine in this State, the licensed physician is deemed to have:
- (1) Consented to submit to an examination under this section, if requested by the [Commission] BOARD in writing; and
- (2) Waived any claim of privilege as to the testimony or examination reports of the examining licensed physician.
- (c) At any disciplinary hearing before the [Commission] BOARD, the failure or refusal of the licensed physician to submit to an examination is prima facie evidence of the licensed physician's inability to practice medicine competently, unless the [Commission] BOARD finds that the failure or refusal was beyond the control of the licensed physician.
- (d) The [Commission] BOARD shall pay the costs of any examination made under this section.

14-503.

- (a) Unless the [Commission] BOARD agrees to accept the surrender of a license, a licensed physician may not surrender the license while NOR MAY THE LICENSE LAPSE BY OPERATION OF LAW WHILE THE LICENSEE IS under investigation or while charges are pending against the physician.
- (b) The [Commission] BOARD may set conditions on its agreement with the physician under investigation or against whom charges are pending to accept surrender of the physician's license.

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