

## **Arkansas Department of Health**

Arkansas State Medical Board

1401 West Capitol Avenue Suite 340 • Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 • (501) 296-1802

Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Renee Mallory, RN, BSN, Secretary of Health

Amy Embry, MPA, Director

September 3, 2025

Stanley K. Lawrence P.O. Box 1014 Wynne, AR 72396

Re: Jeffrey Blake Copeland, M.D.

Dear Mr. Lawrence,

The Arkansas State Medical Board received your most recent letter regarding your original complaint against the physicians referenced above.

The Executive Committee of the Board reviewed your letter of rebuttal. The Medical Practices Act, under whose jurisdiction the Board operates, has clear and concise criteria for "gross and negligent" treatment of a patient.

The Board did not feel it rose to the level of gross negligence as dictated within the Medical Practices Act, wherein the Board could bring charges against the physicians.

We will retain your letter in the physician's file.

Sincerely,

Amy E. Embry Executive Director

any E. Enderey

AEE/jeb