IN THE MATTER OF * BEFORE THE MARYLAND

UGOCHUKWU AHUBELEM, R.Ph. * STATE BOARD OF

Respondent * PHARMACY

LICENSE NO. 27027 * Case No. 22-356

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SHOW CAUSE ORDER RESCINDING SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Background

On October 18, 2022, the Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") issued an Order of Summary Suspension against the license held by Ugochukwu Ahubelem, R.Ph. (the "Respondent") based on credible information indicating that the public health, safety and welfare required emergency action against the Respondent. On December 21, 2022, the Board held a show cause hearing to allow the Respondent an opportunity to show cause why the public safety would not be at risk in permitting the Respondent to continue to practice pending any formal disciplinary action pursued by the Board. The Board heard oral arguments presented by the State and Respondent's counsel. Based on arguments presented, the Board has voted to rescind the summary suspension but reserves its authority to pursue formal disciplinary action.

ORDER

ORDERED that the Order of Summary Suspension, dated October 18, 2022, was properly issued; and be it further,

ORDERED that based on arguments presented at the show cause hearing held on December 21, 2022, the summary suspension of the Respondent's license is hereby

RESCINDED; and be it further,

ORDERED that the Board reserves its authority to pursue formal disciplinary action

against the Respondent for violations of the Maryland Pharmacy Act, to include findings

contained in the Order of Summary Suspension, dated October 18, 2022, provided such

disciplinary action be taken in accordance with the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act,

State Gov't Art. § 10-201 et seq. and the Board's regulations at COMAR 10.34.01; and be it

further,

ORDERED that this document constitutes a final order of the Maryland Board of

Pharmacy and is therefore a public document for purposes of public disclosure, pursuant to the

Public Information Act, General Provisions Art. § 4-333.

1-4-23

Date

Deena Speights-Napata, M.A.

Executive Director