IN THE MATTER OF * BEFORE THE STATE

ADAM EVANS * BOARD OF

RESPONDENT * PHARMACY

REGISTRATION NO.: T11604 * CASE NUMBER: PT-15-001

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ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Pursuant to Md. State Govt. Code Ann. §10-226 (c)(2) (2014 Repl. Vol.), the State Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") hereby summarily suspends the registration of Adam Evans, Registration Number: T11604 ("the Respondent"), to practice as a registered pharmacy technician, under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. ("H. O.") §§12-101 *et seq.* (2014 Repl. Vol.). This Order is based on the following investigative findings, which the Board has reason to believe are true:1

INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS

- At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was registered to practice as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland. The Respondent was originally registered to practice as a pharmacy technician in Maryland on or about October 23, 2012.
 - 2. The Respondent's registration expires on January 31, 2016.

¹ The statements regarding the Respondent's conduct are only intended to provide the Respondent with notice of the basis for the Board's action. They are not intended as, and do not necessarily represent a complete description of the evidence, either documentary or testimonial, to be offered against the Respondent in this matter.

- At all times relevant hereto, Respondent worked as pharmacy technician at Pharmacy A located in Anne Arundel County, Maryland.²
- 4. In or about July 23, 2014, the management of Pharmacy A notified the Board that the Respondent was terminated after Pharmacy A management discovered that the Respondent had stolen Hydrocodone- Acetaminophen from Pharmacy A.
- Following an internal investigation conducted by Pharmacy A management,
 it was determined that 801 tablets of Hydrocodone- Acetaminophen 10-325 mgs. and
 793 tablets of Hydrocodone Acetaminophen were missing from Pharmacy A.
- 6. A video tape located in Pharmacy A showed the Respondent taking bottles of Hydrocodone Acetaminophen off the shelf, opening the pill bottles, placing tablets in his hand and then placing the tablets in his smock.
- 7. After being confronted by Pharmacy A's investigative staff, the Respondent admitted in a written statement that he had stolen Hydrocodone-Acetaminophen from Pharmacy A least five(5) days per week for approximately six (6) months.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing investigative findings, the Board concludes that the public health, safety, and welfare imperatively require emergency action in this case, pursuant to Md. State Gov't. Code Ann. § 10-226(c) (2).

² The name of the Pharmacy A is omitted in order to protect the identity of Pharmacy A.

<u>ORDER</u>

Based on the foregoing Investigative Findings and Conclusions of Law, it is this 16th day of November 2014, by a majority of the quorum of the Board, hereby

ORDERED that the registration issued to the Respondent to practice as pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland under registration number T11604 is hereby SUMMARILY SUSPENDED; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent is prohibited from practicing as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent shall immediately return all registrations to the Board; and it is further

ORDERED that this ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION is a PUBLIC DOCUMENT as defined in Md. General Provisions Code Ann. §§ 4-101 et seq. (2014 Repl. Vol.)

December 16, 2014 Date

LaVerne G. Naesea, Executive Director State Board of Pharmacy