

**IN THE MATTER OF  
DIANE LALCHAN, R.Ph.  
LICENSE NO. 18754**

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**BEFORE THE  
MARYLAND STATE  
BOARD OF PHARMACY  
Case No. 16-051**

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**SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF ABROGATION**

**Background**

On August 21, 2020, the Maryland State Board of Pharmacy (the “Board”) issued a final order (the “Order”) revoking the pharmacist license held by Diana Lalchan, R.Ph., License Number 18754. The Board’s Order was based solely on Ms. Lalchan’s March 28, 2019, conviction in the D.C. Superior Court for: (1) voluntary manslaughter while armed; (2) and possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime of violence.

Subsequently, on November 15, 2024, Ms. Lalchan submitted to the Board a Petition for Reinstatement of Maryland Pharmacist License. The Petition asserts that the D.C. Court of Appeals reversed and vacated Ms. Lalchan’s conviction on September 15, 2022, and that on remand, all charges had been dismissed.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Ms. Lalchan was originally issued a pharmacist license, License Number 18754, by the Board on June 16, 2008.
2. On March 28, 2019, following a jury trial, Ms. Lalchan was found guilty in the D.C. Superior Court of voluntary manslaughter while armed, and possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime of violence. (U.S. v. Lalchan, Case No. 2013-CF1-004987)
3. Ms. Lalchan was sentenced to concurrent sentences of 90 months incarceration, followed by

five (5) years of supervised probation for the voluntary manslaughter while armed conviction and three (3) years of supervised probation for the possession of a firearm during a crime of violence conviction.

4. On August 21, 2020, the Maryland Board of Pharmacy issued a final Order which revoked Ms. Lalchan's license to practice pharmacy based solely on Ms. Lalchan's conviction above. (*In the Matter of Diana Lalchan, Pharmacist, Case No. 16-051*)
5. On September 15, 2022, the D.C. Court of Appeals reversed and vacated Ms. Lalchan's conviction finding reversible error by the trial court in "declining to instruct the jury that it could consider the effects of battery in assessing whether Ms. Lalchan's perception of danger was objectively reasonable." *Lalchan v. U.S.*, 282 A.3d 555, 559 (2022).
6. On November 3, 2022, the D.C. Superior Court granted the U.S. Attorney's request to dismiss all charges against Ms. Lalchan.
7. Subsequently, on November 14, 2024, Ms. Lalchan submitted to the Board a Petition for Reinstatement of Pharmacist License based on the D.C. Court of Appeal's reversal of the conviction upon which the Board's Order of revocation was based.
8. Although the Board's original August 21, 2020, Order was properly issued and was not appealed by Ms. Lalchan, the Board finds that the D.C. Court of Appeals subsequent decision reversing and vacating Ms. Lalchan's conviction now renders the Board's Order without a statutory basis. As such, the Board is abrogating its Order of revocation thereby permitting Ms. Lalchan to apply for licensure reinstatement.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

As a result of the D.C. Court of Appeals decision reversing and vacating Ms. Lalchan's conviction for voluntary manslaughter while armed, and possession of a firearm during a commission of a crime of violence, the Board's order, dated August 21, 2020, for the revocation of Ms. Lalchan's pharmacist license is no longer based on a violation of the Maryland Pharmacy Act.

**ORDER**

Based on an affirmative vote of the Board, it is this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2025,  
hereby:

**ORDERED** that the Order, dated August 21, 2020, revoking the pharmacist's license held by Diana Lalchan, License Number 18754, is hereby ABROGATED, and has no further force or effect; and be it further,

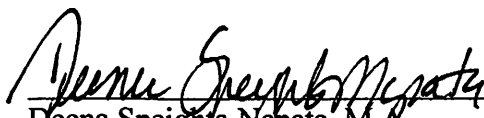
**ORDERED** that Ms. Lalchan is permitted to apply for reinstatement of her pharmacist's license in accordance with the Board's regulations generally governing reinstatement of licensure, COMAR 10.34.13, except that Ms. Lalchan shall only be assessed the licensure renewal application fee, and not the additional reinstatement application fee; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that the Board shall remove its Order, dated August 21, 2020, from its posting on the Board's website; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that the Board shall report this Supplemental Order of Abrogation to the National Practitioner Data Bank; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that this is a formal order of the Maryland Board of Pharmacy and as such is a public document pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code, General Provisions Article, Section 4-333.

2-3-25  
Date

  
Deena Speights-Napata, M.A.,  
Executive Director, for  
Kristopher Rusinko, Pharm.D., President