

IN THE MATTER OF * BEFORE THE
SOHAIL MOSAADDEGH, PHARM.D. * STATE BOARD
License No.: 15601 * OF
Respondent * PHARMACY
* Case No. 11-016

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ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Pursuant to Md. State Govt. Code Ann. §10-226 (c) (2) (2009 Repl. Vol.), the State Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") hereby suspends the license to practice pharmacy in Maryland issued to Sohail Mossaaddegh, Pharm.D., (the "Respondent"), under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. § 12-101, et seq., (2009 Repl. Vol.). This Order is based on the following investigative findings, which the Board has reason to believe are true:

BACKGROUND

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was licensed to practice pharmacy in Maryland. The Respondent was first licensed on June 30, 2000. The Respondent's license expires on February 28, 2012.
2. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent worked at National chain pharmacy in Bethesda, Maryland. The Respondent had worked as a dispensing pharmacist on a part-time basis for fourteen years for the National chain.
3. On July 22, 2010, the Respondent signed a statement that he was addicted to narcotics and had stolen 70 bottles of Suboxone, 8 mg, 100 count, over a two year

period for personal consumption. As a result of same, the pharmacy suspended the Respondent pending treatment and required him to sign a promissory note to repay the pharmacy chain \$17073.99. The chain also sent in a required report of theft and loss to the Division of Drug Control.

FINDINGS OF FACT

As set forth above, a pharmacist who steals drugs from his employer to feed his addiction is a threat to the public health, safety or welfare.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing, the Board finds that the public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, pursuant to Md. St. Gov't. Code Ann. § 10-226(c) (2) (2009 Repl. Vol.).

ORDER

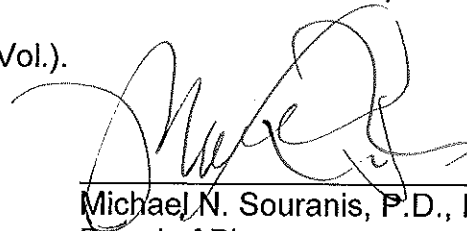
Based on the foregoing, it is therefore this 20th day of **April**, 2011, by a majority vote of a quorum of the State Board of Pharmacy, by authority granted by the Board by Md. St. Gov't. Code Ann. §10-226(c)(2) (2009 Repl. Vol.), the license held by the Respondent to practice pharmacy in Maryland, License No. 15601, is hereby **SUMMARILY SUSPENDED;** and be it further

ORDERED, that upon the Board's receipt of a written request from the Respondent, a Show Cause Hearing shall be scheduled within a reasonable time of said request, at which the Respondent will be given an opportunity to be heard as to whether the Summary

Suspension should be continued regarding the Respondent's fitness to practice pharmacy and the danger to the public; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Respondent shall immediately turn over to the Board his wall certificate and wallet-sized license to practice pharmacy issued by the Board; and be it further

ORDERED, that this document constitutes a final Order of the Board and is therefore a public document for purposes of public disclosure, as required by Md. State Gov't Code Ann. §10-617(h) (2009 Repl. Vol.).



Michael N. Souranis, P.D., President
Board of Pharmacy

NOTICE OF HEARING

A Show Cause hearing to determine whether the Summary Suspension shall be continued will be held before the Board at 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, 21215 following a written request by the Respondent for same.