

IN THE MATTER OF * **BEFORE THE**
RAJESHWER PINGILI, R.Ph. * **MARYLAND STATE**
LICENSE NO. 17346 * **BOARD OF PHARMACY**
* **Case No. 17-117**

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PRE-CHARGE CONSENT ORDER

Background

The Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the “Board”) received a Medical Malpractice Payment Report on April 26, 2017, regarding a medication error involving Rajeshwer Pingili, R.Ph. (“Respondent”), in which a patient alleged that the Respondent dispensed the wrong medication to the patient on June 3, 2016. The Report indicated that a settlement of \$25,000 was paid to the patient as a result of the medication error.

In lieu of instituting formal proceedings against the Respondent, in accordance with the Maryland Pharmacy Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 12-101 *et seq.*, the Board and Respondent, have agreed to resolve this matter as set forth in this Consent Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about September 14, 2004, the Respondent was issued a license to practice pharmacy in Maryland. The Respondent’s license is active and will expire on March 31, 2020.
2. At all times relevant, the Respondent practiced at a community pharmacy (“Pharmacy A”) in Lutherville, Maryland.
3. On or about June 3, 2016, a patient of Pharmacy A alleges that the Respondent erroneously dispensed Methadone 10 mg instead of Methylphenidate 10 mg, as

prescribed.

4. The patient ingested the incorrect medication and alleged injury as a result.
5. The Board received a Medical Malpractice Payment Report on April 26, 2017, indicating that a settlement payment of \$25,000 was made to the patient on behalf of the Respondent due to the medication error.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that Rajeshwer Pingili, R.Ph., License Number 17346, is subject to discipline in accordance with Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 12-313(b)(25) and COMAR 10.34.10.01B.

ORDER

Based upon an affirmative vote of the Board under the authority of Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. Art. § 12-313, it this 16th day of November, 2018, hereby,

ORDERED that Rajeshwer Pingili, License No. 17346, shall be pay a FINE in the amount of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00) payable by certified check of money order to the Maryland Board of Pharmacy within sixty (60) days, and sent to:

Wells Fargo
Attn: State of Maryland - Board of Pharmacy
Lockbox 2051
7175 Columbia Gateway Drive
Columbia, Maryland 21046
(Please include the Case Number 17-117 to ensure proper assignment.)


and be it further,

ORDERED that Rajeshwer Pingili shall successfully complete six (6) continuing education credits in medication error prevention within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order and submit to the Board proof of completion; and be it further,

ORDERED that this is a formal order and as such is a public document pursuant to Md. Code Ann., General Provisions Article § 4-333.

11-16-18

Date



Deena Speights Napata,
Executive Director for:

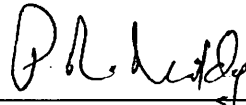
Kevin Morgan, Pharm.D.
Board President

CONSENT

1. By signing this Consent, Respondent Rajeshwer Pingili submits to the foregoing Consent Order as a resolution of this matter and agrees to be bound by its terms and conditions.
2. Respondent acknowledges the validity of this Consent Order as if it were made after a hearing in which Respondent would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, and to all other substantial procedural protections provided by law.
3. Respondent acknowledges that, by entering into this Consent Order, Respondent is waiving the right to appeal any adverse ruling of the Board that might have followed such an evidentiary hearing.
4. Respondent acknowledges the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to enter and enforce this Consent Order.
5. Respondent acknowledges that this Consent Order is a public document under the Maryland Public Information Act, Gen. Provisions Art., § 4-333, and shall be reported to the National Practitioner Databank and the National Boards of Pharmacy.

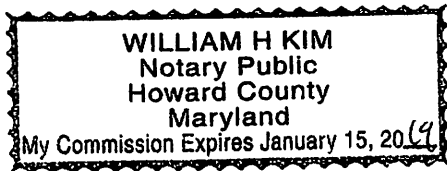
6. Respondent signs this Consent Order freely and voluntarily, after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. Respondent fully understands the language, meaning, and effect of this Consent Order.


10/20/2018
Date


Rajeshwer Pingili, R.Ph.

STATE OF MARYLAND,
COUNTY/CITY OF Howard:

I hereby certify that on this 20th day of October, 2018, before me, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland and County/City aforesaid, personally appeared RAJESHWER PINGILI, and made an oath in due form that the foregoing Consent was his/her voluntary act and deed.




Notary Public
My commission expires: 01/15/19