

IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE MARYLAND
BRIAN D. RICCI	*	STATE BOARD OF
PHARM. D.	*	PHARMACY
LICENSE NO. 23811	*	CASE NO. 18-274
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**ORDER LIFTING SUSPENSION**

On or about September 4, 2024, Brian Ricci submitted a petition to the Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the “Board”) requesting that the Board lift the suspension of his license, License No. 23811, initially set forth in a Consent Order dated March 17, 2020. The Consent Order provides that Mr. Ricci may petition to lift the suspension after the termination of his court-ordered criminal probation, provided that he first submit to an evaluation with a Board-approved substance abuse evaluator. The Consent Order further provides that upon any termination of his suspension, Mr. Ricci’s license shall be placed on probation for three (3) years, with terms and conditions to be determined by the Board. Mr. Ricci submitted to an evaluation with a Board-approved evaluator on January 23 2025, who opined that Mr. Ricci could safely return to practice given certain conditions. On March 19, 2025, the Board voted to lift the suspension and place Mr. Ricci’s license on immediate probation with terms as set forth below.

**ORDER**

It is this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025, by an affirmative vote of the Maryland Board of Pharmacy, hereby:

**ORDERED** that the suspension of Mr. Ricci’s license to practice pharmacy, License No. 23811, be LIFTED; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that Mr. Ricci’s license be placed on immediate PROBATION for at least THREE (3) YEARS, during which:

1. Mr. Ricci shall enter into a rehabilitation contract with the Pharmacists Rehabilitation Service ("PRS") committee, pursuant to which he shall:

- a. abstain from the use of alcohol, controlled dangerous drugs, and all other mood-altering substances unless PRS is provided sufficient written documentation from the Respondent's healthcare provider regarding medical necessity;
- b. submit to random urine screens for substances and alcohol, at least monthly at a frequency determined by PRS, as a condition of the PRS contract for at least one (1) year;
- c. continue to engage in ongoing therapy with a therapist with addiction and stress control experience at least monthly at a frequency determined by PRS for at least one (1) year;
- d. comply with any and all other treatment and monitoring conditions imposed as part of the PRS contract;
- e. ensure PRS submits monthly progress reports to the Board regarding the Respondent's compliance with the PRS contract; and,
- f. execute any and all releases necessary to allow PRS and the Board to access medical and SUD treatment information for purposes of monitoring and enforcement of this Order and the PRS contract; and,

2. For the first two (2) years, Mr. Ricci:

- a. may only work in a pharmacy in a non-dispensing role;
- b. may not work in a pharmacy as a floater; and,
- c. may only work in a pharmacy during day shifts; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that after three (3) years of probation, Mr. Ricci may petition the Board to terminate probation, provided that he has been fully compliant with the terms of probation and does not have any pending complaints filed against him; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that Mr. Ricci shall at all times cooperate with the Board in the monitoring, supervision, and investigation of his compliance with the terms and conditions of this Order; and be it further,


**ORDERED** that Mr. Ricci's failure to fully cooperate with the Board shall be deemed a violation of the probationary terms and a violation of this Order; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that in the event the Board finds in good faith that Mr. Ricci has violated any of the conditions of probation herein, or in the event the Board finds in good faith that Mr. Ricci has committed a violation of Title 12 of the Health Occupations Article or regulations adopted thereunder, the Board may take further disciplinary action against Mr. Ricci, provided that Mr. Ricci is given notice and an opportunity for a hearing; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that Mr. Ricci shall bear any expenses associated with the Order; 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 Maryland Code Ann., Gen. Provisions § 4-333(b).

4-22-25  
Date

  
Deena Speights-Napata, M.A.  
Executive Director