IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE
GABRIELLE SAGI, Pharm Tech.	*	STATE BOARD
Registration No. T08218	*	OF
Respondent	*	PHARMACY
	*	Case No. PT-12-030

FINAL ORDER OF REVOCATION OF THE RESPONDENT'S PHARMACY TECHNICIAN'S REGISTRATION

On April 17, 2013, the Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the "Board"), notified **GABRIELLE SAGI**, Pharmacy Technician (Pharm Tech), the Respondent, of its Intent to Revoke her Pharm Tech registration. The Notice also informed the Respondent that, unless she requested a hearing in writing within 30 days of receipt of said Notice, the Board would sign the Final Order, which was enclosed. More than 30 days have elapsed and the Respondent failed to timely request a hearing. Therefore, this revocation is final.

The basis for the Board's action was pursuant to Md. State Govt. (S.G.) Code Ann. § 10-226(c) (1) (2009 Repl. Vol.), the Maryland Pharmacy Act, codified at Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. §§ 12-101, <u>et seq.</u>, (the "Act") (2009 Repl. Vol.) and, Code Md. Reg. (COMAR) tit. 10 § 34.10.

S.G. § 10-226. Licenses.-Special Provisions:

(c)(1)*Revocation of suspension. (sic)*— (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a unit may not revoke or suspend a license unless the unit first gives the licensee:

(i) written notice of the facts that warrant suspension or revocation; and,

(ii) an opportunity to be heard.

H.O. § 12-6B-09. Grounds for reprimand or denial, probation, suspension, or revocation of registration.

Subject to the hearing provision of § 12-315 of this title, the Board may deny a pharmacy technician's registration to any applicant, reprimand a registered pharmacy technician, place any pharmacy technician's registration on probation, or suspend or revoke a pharmacy technician's registration if the applicant or pharmacy technician registrant:

- (3) Fraudulently uses a pharmacy technician's registration
- (25) Violates any regulation adopted by the Board: matter[;]

The Board also charged the Respondent with a violation of its Pharmacist and Pharmacy Technician Code of Conduct, COMAR 10.34.10 (November 12, 2001):

.01 Patient Safety and Welfare.

- B. A pharmacist may not:
 - (3) Engage in unprofessional conduct

FACTS THAT WARRANT THE REVOCATION OF THE RESPONDENT'S REGISTRATION

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was registered to practice as

a Pharm Tech in Maryland. The Respondent was first registered on November 4, 2010.

The Respondent's registration expired on March 31, 2012.

2. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was employed as a Pharm

Tech at Pharmacy A located in Baltimore, Maryland.

3. On or about November 28, 2011, interviews were conducted of Pharmacy

A's employees during which the Respondent admitted stealing from Pharmacy A 20

tablets of Morphine Sulfate¹, 15 mg, 50 tablets Oxycodone² HCI 5 mg, 50 tablets of

¹Morphine is an opioid pain medication used to treat moderate to severe pain.

²Oxycodone is an opioid medication, sometimes called a narcotic used to treat moderate to severe pain.

Hydrocodone³ APAP 5/500, and 50 tablets of Alprazolam⁴, 2 mg.

4. As a result of this disclosure, the Respondent was terminated from employment.

5. Pharmacy A submitted a DEA theft and loss report, as required.

6. As a result of the above, on January 25, 2012, the Board summarily suspended the Respondent registration. The Respondent failed to request a hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based upon the aforegoing Facts, the Board concludes that the Respondent violated its Act and that the revocation is warranted, pursuant to §§12-6B-09 (3) and 25) of the Act (2009 Repl. Vol.) and COMAR 10 §34.10.01. B(3).

ORDER

As set forth above, the Board hereby **ORDERS** that the registration to practice as a Pharmacy Technician in Maryland held by **GABRIELLE SAGI**, the Respondent, be and is **REVOKED**, and that this Order is public, pursuant to §10-617(h), Md. State Govt. Code Ann. (2009 Repl. Vol.).

³Hydrocodone is a narcotic used to treat moderate to severe pain and as an antitussive to treat cough. ⁴Alprazolam belongs to a group of drugs called benzodiazepines. Alprazolam is used to treat anxiety disorders, panic disorders, and anxiety caused by depression.

NOTICE OF RIGHT OF APPEAL

In accordance with Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. § 12-316 (2009 Repl. Vol.), you have a right to a direct judicial appeal of this decision. A petition for appeal of the Final Board Order shall be filed within thirty days from your receipt of this Final Order and shall be made in accordance with the aforecited authority.

11/20/3 Date

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Lenna Israbian-Jamgochian, Pharm D., President Board of Pharmacy