

IN THE MATTER OF
INGRID CRITCHLOW
PHARM TECH
Registration No.: T11539
Respondent

*** BEFORE THE**
*** STATE BOARD**
*** OF**
*** PHARMACY**
*** Case No. PT-17-010**

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ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Pursuant to Md. State Gov't. (SG) Code Ann. §10-226 (c) (2) (2014 Repl. Vol. II), the State Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") hereby suspends the registration to practice as a Pharmacy Technician (Pharm Tech) in Maryland issued to **INGRID CRITCHLOW**, (the "Respondent"), under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. §§ 12-101 *et seq.* (2014 Repl. Vol. II). This Order is based on the following investigative findings, which the Board has reason to believe are true:

INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS¹

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was registered to practice as a Pharmacy Technician in Maryland. The Respondent was first registered on September 26, 2011. The Respondent's registration expires on January 31, 2018.
2. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was employed as a Pharmacy Technician at a pharmacy within a chain pharmacy in Rock Hall, Kent County, Maryland, hereinafter "Pharmacy A."

¹ The allegations set forth in this notice are intended to provide the Respondent with notice of the Board's action. They are not intended as, and do not necessarily represent, a complete description of the evidence, either documentary or testimonial, to be offered against the Respondent in connection with this action.

3. On August 16, 2016, the Board received notification from Pharmacy A of controlled substance theft/significant loss due to employee pilferage, with no other information available at that time.

4. The Rock Hall Police Department was called to Pharmacy A and wrote in its report, *inter alia*, that Pharmacy A's Loss Prevention Manager informed them that the Respondent had admitted to stealing 146 tablets of Ambien from the pharmacy. The Respondent stated that she had formerly been prescribed the drug, but in May 2016 she stole it because she ran out of her own and did not have a prescription to get more. The Police were furnished with the written statement by the Respondent.

5. Sometime thereafter, the Board was able to obtain the following information:

- A. The date of the theft/loss was August 16, 2016;
- B. The employee responsible was the Respondent;
- C. The amount of the loss was \$1969.45;
- D. As a result of the theft/loss, the Respondent was terminated from employment with Pharmacy A;
- E. Additional cameras were installed to view the pharmacy area;
- F. The following was listed as stolen: Zolpidem ER², 12.5 mg, 322 tablets.

6. The Respondent was charged in the District Court of Maryland for Kent County with Theft less than \$100 and CDS Possession, not marijuana.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing, the Board finds that the public health, safety or welfare

² Zolpidem ER, Extended Relief, trade name, Ambien, is used to treat insomnia.

imperatively requires emergency action, pursuant to Md. St. Gov't. Code Ann. §10-226 (c) (2) (2014 Repl. Vol. II.).

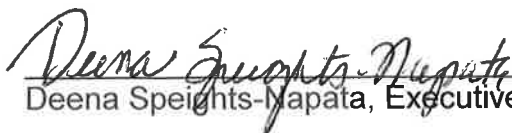
ORDER

Based on the foregoing, it is therefore this 14th day of October, 2016, by a majority vote of a quorum of the State Board of Pharmacy, by authority granted to the Board by Md. St. Gov't. Code Ann. §10-226(c) (2) (2014 Repl. Vol. II), the registration held by the Respondent to practice as a Pharmacy Technician in Maryland, Registration No. T11539, 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 as a Pharmacy Technician and the danger to the public; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Respondent shall immediately turn over to the Board her wall certificate and wallet-sized registration to practice as a Pharmacy Technician 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. Code Ann. Gen. Prov. §§ 4-101, *pet seq.*


Deena Speights-Mapata, Executive Director

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.