

IN THE MATTER OF
CRAIG HOLSTON, P.D.
LICENSE NO. 09940

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BEFORE THE MARYLAND
STATE BOARD OF
PHARMACY

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CONSENT ORDER LIFTING SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Background Findings

On July 23, 2007, the Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") received a request for reinstatement from Craig Holston, License No. 09940. On September 19, 2007, the Board reviewed Mr. Holston's request together with an evaluation performed by Dr. Ralph Raphael and voted to reinstate Mr. Holston's license to practice pharmacy in accordance with the terms and conditions as outlined in this Consent Order.

Mr. Holston's license to practice pharmacy was summarily suspended on December 10, 1993, due to his arrest for possession of CDS paraphernalia, possession of cocaine, and possession of prescription drugs with intent to distribute. Mr. Holston subsequently pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance and received probation. The Board reinstated Mr. Holston's license on January 14, 2004, and placed him on probation for a period of three (3) years. In August 2004, Mr. Holston's urine screening tested positive for illegal drugs. On October 8, 2004, the Board again summarily suspended Mr. Holston's license. On October 19, 2005, the Board held a show cause hearing after which the Board issued an Order Continuing Summary Suspension, dated November 30, 2005. The terms of the November 30, 2005, Order allowed Mr. Holston to petition the Board to lift the suspension of his license after July 15, 2007.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Mr. Holston submitted to a substance abuse evaluation by Ralph Raphael, Ph.D., on August 20, 2007. Dr. Raphael's evaluation found that Mr. Holston could safely return to pharmacy practice under certain conditions, which the Board shall incorporate in this Order.
2. Mr. Holston has maintained his sobriety since August 2004, as evidenced by random urine screenings.
3. Mr. Holston actively participates in the 12-step program.
4. Mr. Holston currently works as a counselor technician at Avery Road Treatment Center.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Mr. Holston has demonstrated that he is capable of practicing pharmacy in a safe and ethical manner, in accordance with the Maryland Pharmacy Act, Health Occ. § 12-101 *et seq.*, under the terms and conditions set forth below.

ORDER

Based on an affirmative vote of the Board, it is this 3RD day of December, 2007, hereby:

ORDERED that the summary suspension of Mr. Holston's license to practice pharmacy shall be lifted provided that Mr. Holston first submit proof of completion 30 CEU's; and be it further,

ORDERED that upon reinstatement, Mr. Holston's license shall be immediately placed on PROBATION for at least THREE (3) YEARS, subject to the following conditions:

1. Mr. Holston shall not have access to controlled dangerous substances;

2. Mr. Holston shall abstain from all alcohol and mood altering drugs;
3. Mr. Holston shall continue his involvement with the 12-step program, working actively with a home group and a sponsor. Mr. Holston shall submit a monthly attendance sheet to the Board documenting his participation in the 12-step program;
4. Mr. Holston shall submit to weekly random urine screens;
5. Mr. Holston shall undergo either individual or group psychotherapy on a weekly basis, focusing on his transition back into pharmacy/healthcare practice;
6. Mr. Holston's pharmacy employer(s) shall be in good standing;
7. Mr. Holston shall provide the pharmacy employer with a copy of this Consent Order and insure that the attached verification form is completed by the employer and returned to the Board prior to commencing employment;
8. Mr. Holston shall insure that his pharmacy employer submit to the Board quarterly employer reports;
9. Mr. Holston shall not work as a floater, and may only practice for one permit holder at a time; and be it further,

ORDERED that in the event the Board finds for any good faith reason that Mr. Holston has relapsed, has violated any of the conditions of probation herein, or in the event that the Board finds for any good faith reason that Mr. Holston has committed a violation of Title 12 of the Health Occupations Article or regulations adopted thereunder, the Board may immediately suspend Mr. Holston's license prior to a hearing; and be it further,

ORDERED that Mr. Holston shall be responsible for all costs associated with fulfilling the terms of this Order; and be it further,

ORDERED that Mr. Holston may petition the Board for modification of the above terms of probation provided that he has been fully compliant and has no pending complaints against his license; and be it further,

ORDERED that Mr. Holston may petition the Board for release from probation after

three (3) years provided that he has been fully compliant with all of the terms of probation and has no pending complaints against his license; and be it further,

ORDERED that this is a final order of the Maryland Board of Pharmacy and as such is a public document pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code, State Government Article, Section 10-617(h).

12/3/07
Date

LaVerne G. Naeasea
LaVerne G. Naeasea, Executive Director for
Donald Taylor, P.D.
President, Board of Pharmacy

CONSENT

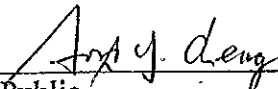
1. By signing this Consent, I hereby admit to the truth of the findings contained herein and agree to be bound by the foregoing Consent Order and its conditions.
2. By this Consent, I submit to the foregoing Consent Order as a resolution of this matter. By signing this Consent, I waive any rights I may have had to an evidentiary hearing to contest the findings and determinations contained in this Consent Order.
3. I acknowledge the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to enter and enforce this Consent Order.
4. I sign this Consent Order freely and voluntarily, after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. I fully understand the language, meaning, and effect of this Consent Order.

4/16/08
Date

Craig Holston, P.D.
Craig Holston, P.D.

STATE OF MARYLAND
COUNTY/CITY OF Montgomery:

I hereby certify that on this 19th day of May, 2007, before me, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland and County/City aforesaid, personally appeared CRAIG HOLSTON, and made an oath in due form that the foregoing Consent was his voluntary act and deed.



Notary Public
My commission expires: 09/19/2010

DORIS Y. CHENG
NOTARY PUBLIC
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES SEPT. 19, 2010

PHARMACY EMPLOYER VERIFICATION FORM

[TO BE COMPLETED BY PHARMACY EMPLOYER]

I hereby acknowledge that I am in receipt of a copy of the Consent Order of Reinstatement, dated _____, pertaining to the pharmacist's license of CRAIG HOLSTON.

I further acknowledge that I have read and understand the terms and restrictions placed upon Mr. Holston's ability to practice pharmacy.

Signature

Printed Name

Title

Pharmacy