

IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE
MARY KATHLEEN JONES	*	BOARD
PHARM TECH	*	OF
Registration No.: T06581	*	PHARMACY
Respondent	*	Case No. PT-16-017
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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 **MARY KATHLEEN JONES**, (the "Respondent"), under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. (H.O.) 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 FINDINGS

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was registered to practice as a Pharm Tech in Maryland. The Respondent was first registered on October 23, 2008. The Respondent's registration expires on May 31, 2017.
2. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was employed as a Pharm Tech at a National chain pharmacy in Edgewater, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, hereinafter "Pharmacy A".
3. On December 23, 2015, the Board received a letter from Pharmacy A with a Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) "Report of Theft or Loss of Controlled Substances" form informing the Board that there had been a possible employee pilferage at Pharmacy A.

4. On January 7, 2016, the Board received a follow-up letter with an attached DEA form from Pharmacy A detailing some of the drug loss and informing the Board that the Respondent had been terminated from employment on December 31, 2015, as a result of theft of controlled substances from Pharmacy A.

5. The Board obtained the Respondent's personnel file, and discovered a comprehensive DEA report indicating theft of controlled substances as follows:

Butalbital-ASA-Caffeine ¹ Cap—50-325-40 mg	20
Butalbital-ASA-Caffeine ² -Cap—50-325-40mg	30
Oxycodone HCL ³ , 30 mg	6
Oxycodone HCL, 5 mg	4
Oxycodone HCL, 5 mg	4

6. As a result of the thefts, the Anne Arundel County Police Department was contacted and the Respondent was arrested and charged in the District Court of Maryland for Anne Arundel County with the following:

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| 1. Theft Scheme—Less \$1000; | 5. Theft less than \$100; |
| 2. Theft—Less \$1000 value; | 6. Theft less than \$100; |
| 3. Theft less than \$100; | 7. Theft less than \$100; |
| 4. Theft less than \$100; | 8. CDS Possession-not
Marijuana. |

¹This combination medication is used to treat tension headaches. Aspirin helps to decrease the pain from the headache. Caffeine helps increase the effects of aspirin. Butalbital is a sedative that helps to decrease anxiety and cause sleepiness and relaxation. In this combination, it means that there are 50 mg of Butalbital, 325 mg of aspirin and 40 mg of caffeine in the medicine.

²Although this is the same medication, it was from a different lot number, as the Respondent admitted that she stole drugs at different times when she worked for Pharmacy A.

³Oxycodone Hydrochloride Tablets (CII) are an immediate-release oral formulation of oxycodone hydrochloride indicated for the management of moderate to severe pain where the use of an opioid analgesic is appropriate.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing, the Board finds that the public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, pursuant to S.G. §10-226 (c) (2).

ORDER

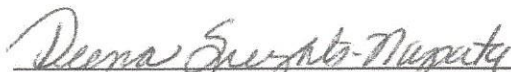
Based on the foregoing, it is therefore this 18th day of March, 2016, by a majority vote of a quorum of the State Board of Pharmacy, by authority granted to the Board by S.G. §10-226 (c) (2), the registration held by the Respondent to practice as a Pharm Tech in Maryland, Registration No. T06581, is 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 Pharm Tech 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 Pharm Tech 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. General Provisions §§4-101 *et seq.* (2014 Vol.).



Deena Speights-Napata, Executive Director
State 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.