

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

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ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Pursuant to Md. State Govt. Code Ann. §10-226 (c) (2)(2009 Repl. Vol. and 2011 Supp.), the State Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") hereby suspends the registration to practice as a Pharmacy Technician (Pharm Tech) in Maryland issued to Gabrielle Sagi (the "Respondent"), under the Maryland Pharmacy Practice Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. § 12-101, et seq., (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2011 Supp.). This Order is based on the following investigative findings, which the Board has reason to believe are true:

BACKGROUND

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 expires on March 31, 2012.
2. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was employed as a Pharm Tech at a National chain pharmacy located in Hagerstown, Maryland.
3. On or about November 28, 2011, interviews were conducted of pharmacy employees of the store where the Respondent worked, during which the Respondent admitted stealing from the store 20 tablets of Morphine Sulfate, 15 mg, 50 tablets Oxycodone HCl 5 mg, 50 tablets of Hydrocodone APAP 5/500, and 50 tablets of

Alprazolam, 2 mg.

4. As a result of this disclosure, the Respondent was terminated from employment.¹

5. The pharmacy submitted a DEA theft and loss report, as required.

FINDINGS OF FACT

As set forth above, an employee who steals narcotics from her employer is a threat to the public safety, health or welfare.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing, the Board finds that the public health, safety or welfare imperatively requires emergency action, pursuant to Md. St. Gov't. Code Ann. §10-226(c) (2) (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2011 Supp.).

ORDER

Based on the foregoing, it is therefore this 25th day of January, 2012, by a majority vote of a quorum of the State Board of Pharmacy, by authority granted by the Board by Md. St. Gov't. Code Ann. §10-226(c) (2) (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2011 Rep. Vol.), the license held by the Respondent to practice as a Pharm Tech in Maryland, Registration No. T08218, is hereby **SUMMARILY SUSPENDED**; and be it further

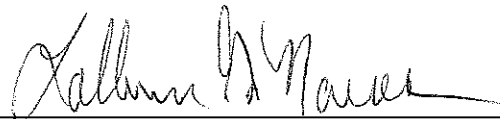
ORDERED, that upon the Board's receipt of a written request from the Respondent,

¹The Respondent should not have been granted a registration to begin with because she answered falsely on her initial application in that she stated "no" to Question Number 5, which states "Have you pled guilty, nolo contendere, or been convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude, or received probation before judgment of any criminal act?" On June 4, 2008, the Respondent pled guilty to CDS Possession paraphernalia, and was given PBJ unsupervised until December 4, 2008.

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 license 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. State Gov't Code Ann. § 10-617(h) (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2011 Supp.).



LaVerne G. Naesea, 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.