

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

431 W Plumb Lane ~ Reno, NV 89509

PHARMACEUTICAL TECHNICIAN APPLICATION

Registration Fee: \$40.00 - (non-refundable ~~money order only~~, no cash)

Complete Name (no abbreviations):

First: Lehmaneni Middle: ✓ Last: Espinda

Home Address: 9005 Dove River Rd Apt #: ✓

City: Las Vegas State: NV Zip Code: 89134

Telephone: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: California Sex: M or F

E-mail Address: _____

To qualify as a pharmaceutical technician you will need to meet one of the following criteria. Please check the appropriate box and include the ~~required~~ documentation.

- Copy of registration or on-line verification from state in which you are currently registered as a pharmaceutical technician.
- Copy of a certificate from an ASHP approved pharmacy technician school.
- Non ASHP approved school ~~with~~ PTCB or ICPT.

A licensee is not personally required to have a Nevada State Business License, however, if you have one, please provide the number: ✓

1. Are you 18 years of age or older?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Are you a high school graduate or the equivalent?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(IF YOU ANSWERED "NO" TO QUESTION 1 AND/OR 2, YOU CAN NOT SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION)	

	Yes	No
Been diagnosed or treated for any mental illness, including alcohol or substance abuse, or Physical condition that would impair your ability to perform the essential functions of your license?.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. Been charged, arrested or convicted of a felony or misdemeanor in <u>any</u> state?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Been the subject of a board citation or an administrative action whether completed or pending in <u>any</u> state?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Had your license subjected to any discipline for violation of pharmacy or drug laws in <u>any</u> state?.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you marked YES to any of the numbered questions (3-5) above, include the following information & **provide an explanation & documentation:**

Board Administrative Action:	State	Date:	Case #:	
	<u>NV</u>	<u>5/17/09</u>	<u>09-081APTS</u>	
Criminal Action:	State	Date:	Case #: County Court	
	<u>NV</u>	<u>Everything was dismissed</u>		

In response to federally mandated requirements, the Nevada Legislature and Attorney General require that we include the following questions as part of all applications

Are you the subject of a court order for the support of a child?.....	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
IF you marked YES to the question, above are you in compliance with the court order?.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I hereby certify that the information furnished on this document is true and correct. I agree to abide by all the statutes, rules and regulations governing pharmaceutical technicians and understand that a violation of any such statutes, rules and regulations may be grounds for suspension or revocation of this permit. I understand that Nevada law requires a licensed PT who, in their professional or occupational capacity, comes to know or has reasonable cause to believe, a child has been abused/neglected, to report the abuse/neglect to an agency which provides child welfare services or to a local law enforcement agency.

Original Signature, no copies or stamps accepted: Lehmaneni Espinda Date: 3/4/14

Board Use Only: Date Processed: <u>3-14-16</u>	Amount: <u>40-</u>
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Lehuanani V. Espinda

February 19, 2016

PT 03655

Case No. 09-081A-PT-S

Nevada State Board of Pharmacy. My name is Lehuanani V. Espinda. On May 15, 2009 I was terminated from my ten year pharmaceutical technician career with CVS for creating fraudulent prescriptions. I became a drug addict and things just spiraled out of control from there. After I was arrested for creating fraudulent prescriptions I was enrolled into a drug court program where I graduated successfully without any bumps in the road. I am proud to say that I have been drug free since my arrest in 2009. I have continued to work on bettering myself by staying involved with meetings in the Las Vegas area. I have been attending Grand Canyon University and am currently enrolled in their BS program for Counseling with an Emphasis in Addiction, Chemical Dependency, and Substance Abuse, which in return truly helps me understand my past issues. In my ten years as a technician I never had any negative issues in regards to my license, and after all these years I still miss the job. I am hoping that the Nevada State Board can accept my sincere apology, and to know that I take full responsibility for my actions. There is zero desire to go back to that life and pride myself on my personal and professional growth, and can assure you this will never happen again. With that being said I would like to petition the board to reinstate my pharmaceutical license. I thank you for your time.

Lehuanani V. Espinda

PT 03655

BEFORE THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY,

v. Petitioner,

LEHUANANI ESPINDA, P.T.,
Certificate of Registration #PT03655,

FINDINGS OF FACT,
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW,
AND ORDER

Case No. 09-081A-PT-S

Respondent.

THIS MATTER was heard by the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy (hereinafter Board) at its regular meeting on October 14, 2009, in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Board was represented by Carolyn J. Cramer, General Counsel to the Board. The Respondent did not appear but a notice was sent to her last known address for the date and time of the hearing. Bradley Brice, Loss Prevention representative for CVS, appeared on behalf of the Board's staff. Board staff presented Mr. Brice, who answered questions from the Board. Board Staff made a presentation based upon the public records in the Board's possession. Based on the presentation of the Board's staff, the public records in the possession and control of the Board, the Board issues the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about May 21, 2009, Board staff was notified that Ms. Espinda had been terminated from employment as a pharmaceutical technician at CVS Pharmacy #8821. An investigation by CVS found that Ms. Espinda, and another pharmaceutical technician, Ms. Weber, had been creating fraudulent prescriptions. In their written statements they indicated that friends would ask them to obtain drugs for them, hydrocodone 10/500 mg and/or carisoprodol, in particular. Ms. Espinda indicated that she made \$5,500.00 from her sales and Ms. Weber indicated that she made \$1,000.00 from hers.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter because Ms. Espinda and Ms. Weber are registered as pharmaceutical technicians with the Board.

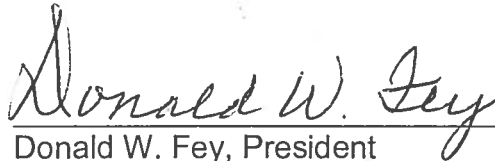
2. In removing controlled substances, namely hydrocodone 10/500 and/or carisoprodol, without a prescription, Ms. Espinda and Ms. Walker violated NRS 453.331(1)(d), 453.336(1) and/or 639.210(1),(4) and/or (12) and NAC 639.945(1)(h) and/or (i).

ORDER

Based upon the foregoing, the Board imposes the following discipline:

1. Ms. Espinda's registration (PT03655) is revoked. Ms. Espinda may not be employed in any business registered by the Board in any capacity.

Signed and effective this 27th day of October, 2009.



Donald W. Fey, President
Nevada State Board of Pharmacy