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BEFORE THE **BOARD OF PHARMACY** DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 4907

COMPLETE INFUSION CARE; ALI **POURMOLA** 8588 Venice Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90034 Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 46839 Sterile Compounding License No. LSC

99250,

ALI POURMOLA P.O. Box 49251 Los Angeles, CA 90049 Pharmacist License No. RPH 48035,

and

MOSHE LALEHZARI 1605 S. Shenandoah Street Los Angeles, CA 90035 Pharmacist License No. RPH 59011 OAH No. 2015020271

Respondent.

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on October 24, 2016.

It is so ORDERED on September 23, 2016.

BOARD OF PHARMACY **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS** STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By

Amy Gutierrez, Pharm.D. **Board President**

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23	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGE	REED by and between the parties to the above-				
24	entitled proceedings that the following matters as	re true:				
25	<u>PARTIES</u>					
26	Virginia Herold ("Complainant") is t	he Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy.				
27	She brought this action solely in her official capa	city and is represented in this matter by Kamala				
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- D. Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, by Leslie A. Walden, Deputy Attorney General.
- 2. Respondent Moshe Lalehzari ("Respondent") is represented in this proceeding by attorney Tony Park, whose address is: Tony J. Park, Pharm.D., J.D.. Law Office of Tony J. Park, Inc., 2855 Michelle Drive, Suite 180, Irvine, CA 92606-1027.

JURISDICTION

- 3. Accusation No. 4907 was filed before the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The original Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on September 5, 2014. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. The Accusation was subsequently amended and the operative Accusation in the matter is the Third Amended Accusation, which was served on October 26, 2015.
- 4. A copy of the Third Amended Accusation No. 4907 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in the Third Amended Accusation No. 4907. Respondent has also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Third Amended Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

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CULPABILITY

- 8. Respondent understands and agrees that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 4907, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon his Pharmacist License No. 59011.
- 9. For the purpose of resolving the Accusation without the expense and uncertainty of further proceedings, Respondent agrees that, at a hearing, Complainant could establish a factual basis for the charges in the Third Amended Accusation, and that Respondent hereby gives up his right to contest those charges.
- 10. Respondent agrees that his Pharmacist License is subject to discipline and he agrees to be bound by the Board's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

CONTINGENCY

- 11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Pharmacy. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of Pharmacy may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 12. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 13. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary

Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pharmacist License No. RPH 59011 issued to Respondent Moshe Lalehzari is revoked. However, the revocation is stayed and Respondent is placed on probation for four (4) years on the following terms and conditions.

1. Obey All Laws

Respondent shall obey all state and federal laws and regulations.

Respondent shall report any of the following occurrences to the board, in writing, within seventy-two (72) hours of such occurrence:

- X an arrest or issuance of a criminal complaint for violation of any provision of the Pharmacy Law, state and federal food and drug laws, or state and federal controlled substances laws
- X a plea of guilty or nolo contendre in any state or federal criminal proceeding to any criminal complaint, information or indictment
- X a conviction of any crime
- X discipline, citation, or other administrative action filed by any state or federal agency which involves respondent's pharmacist license or which is related to the practice of pharmacy or the manufacturing, obtaining, handling, distributing, billing, or charging for any drug, device or controlled substance.

Failure to timely report such occurrence shall be considered a violation of probation.

2. Report to the Board

Respondent shall report to the board quarterly, on a schedule as directed by the board or its designee. The report shall be made either in person or in writing, as directed. Among other requirements, respondent shall state in each report under penalty of perjury whether there has

been compliance with all the terms and conditions of probation. Failure to submit timely reports in a form as directed shall be considered a violation of probation. Any period(s) of delinquency in submission of reports as directed may be added to the total period of probation. Moreover, if the final probation report is not made as directed, probation shall be automatically extended until such time as the final report is made and accepted by the board.

3. Interview with the Board

Upon receipt of reasonable prior notice, respondent shall appear in person for interviews with the board or its designee, at such intervals and locations as are determined by the board or its designee. Failure to appear for any scheduled interview without prior notification to board staff, or failure to appear for two (2) or more scheduled interviews with the board or its designee during the period of probation, shall be considered a violation of probation.

4. Cooperate with Board Staff

Respondent shall cooperate with the board's inspection program and with the board's monitoring and investigation of respondent's compliance with the terms and conditions of his probation. Failure to cooperate shall be considered a violation of probation.

5. Continuing Education

Respondent shall provide evidence of efforts to maintain skill and knowledge as a pharmacist as directed by the board or its designee.

6. Notice to Employers

During the period of probation, respondent shall notify all present and prospective employers of the decision in case number 4907 and the terms, conditions and restrictions imposed on respondent by the decision, as follows:

Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen (15) days of respondent undertaking any new employment, respondent shall cause his direct supervisor, pharmacist-in-charge (including each new pharmacist-in-charge employed during respondent's tenure of employment) and owner to report to the board in writing acknowledging that the listed individual(s) has/have read the decision in case number 4907, and terms and conditions imposed

thereby. It shall be respondent's responsibility to ensure that his employer(s) and/or supervisor(s) submit timely acknowledgment(s) to the board.

If respondent works for or is employed by or through a pharmacy employment service, respondent must notify his direct supervisor, pharmacist-in-charge, and owner at every entity licensed by the board of the terms and conditions of the decision in case number 4907 in advance of the respondent commencing work at each licensed entity. A record of this notification must be provided to the board upon request.

Furthermore, within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen (15) days of respondent undertaking any new employment by or through a pharmacy employment service, respondent shall cause his direct supervisor with the pharmacy employment service to report to the board in writing acknowledging that he has read the decision in case number 4907 and the terms and conditions imposed thereby. It shall be respondent's responsibility to ensure that his employer(s) and/or supervisor(s) submit timely acknowledgment(s) to the board.

Failure to timely notify present or prospective employer(s) or to cause that/those employer(s) to submit timely acknowledgments to the board shall be considered a violation of probation.

"Employment" within the meaning of this provision shall include any full-time, part-time, temporary, relief or pharmacy management service as a pharmacist or any position for which a pharmacist license is a requirement or criterion for employment, whether the respondent is an employee, independent contractor or volunteer.

7. No Supervision of Interns, Serving as Pharmacist-in-Charge (PIC), Serving as Designated Representative-in-Charge, or Serving as a Consultant

During the period of probation, respondent shall not supervise any intern pharmacist, be the pharmacist-in-charge or designated representative-in-charge of any entity licensed by the board nor serve as a consultant unless otherwise specified in this order. Assumption of any such unauthorized supervision responsibilities shall be considered a violation of probation.

8. Reimbursement of Board Costs

As a condition precedent to successful completion of probation, respondent shall pay to the board its costs of investigation and prosecution in the amount of \$1000.00.

Failure to pay costs by the deadline as directed shall be considered a violation of probation.

The filing of bankruptcy by respondent shall not relieve respondent of his responsibility to reimburse the board its costs of investigation and prosecution.

9. Probation Monitoring Costs

Respondent shall pay any costs associated with probation monitoring as determined by the board each and every year of probation. Such costs shall be payable to the board on a schedule as directed by the board or its designee. Failure to pay such costs by the deadline(s) as directed shall be considered a violation of probation.

10. Status of License

Respondent shall, at all times while on probation, maintain an active, current license with the board, including any period during which suspension or probation is tolled. Failure to maintain an active, current license shall be considered a violation of probation.

If respondent's license expires or is cancelled by operation of law or otherwise at any time during the period of probation, including any extensions thereof due to tolling or otherwise, upon renewal or reapplication respondent's license shall be subject to all terms and conditions of this probation not previously satisfied.

11. License Surrender While on Probation/Suspension

Following the effective date of this decision, should respondent cease practice due to retirement or health, or be otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, respondent may tender his license to the board for surrender. The board or its designee shall have the discretion whether to grant the request for surrender or take any other action it deems appropriate and reasonable. Upon formal acceptance of the surrender of the license, respondent will no longer be subject to the terms and conditions of probation. This surrender constitutes a record of discipline and shall become a part of the respondent's license history with the board.

Upon acceptance of the surrender, respondent shall relinquish his pocket and wall license to the board within ten (10) days of notification by the board that the surrender is accepted. Respondent may not reapply for any license from the board for three (3) years from the effective date of the surrender. Respondent shall meet all requirements applicable to the license sought as of the date the application for that license is submitted to the board, including any outstanding costs.

12. Notification of a Change in Name, Residence Address, Mailing Address or Employment

Respondent shall notify the board in writing within ten (10) days of any change of employment. Said notification shall include the reasons for leaving, the address of the new employer, the name of the supervisor and owner, and the work schedule if known. Respondent shall further notify the board in writing within ten (10) days of a change in name, residence address, mailing address, or phone number.

Failure to timely notify the board of any change in employer(s), name(s), address(es), or phone number(s) shall be considered a violation of probation.

13. Tolling of Probation

Except during periods of suspension, respondent shall, at all times while on probation, be employed as a pharmacist in California for a minimum of 40 hours per calendar month. Any month during which this minimum is not met shall toll the period of probation, i.e., the period of probation shall be extended by one month for each month during which this minimum is not met. During any such period of tolling of probation, respondent must nonetheless comply with all terms and conditions of probation.

Should respondent, regardless of residency, for any reason (including vacation) cease practicing as a pharmacist for a minimum of 40 hours per calendar month in California, respondent must notify the board in writing within ten (10) days of the cessation of practice, and must further notify the board in writing within ten (10) days of the resumption of practice. Any failure to provide such notification(s) shall be considered a violation of probation.

 It is a violation of probation for respondent's probation to remain tolled pursuant to the provisions of this condition for a total period, counting consecutive and non-consecutive months, exceeding thirty-six (36) months.

"Cessation of practice" means any calendar month during which respondent is not practicing as a pharmacist for at least 40 hours, as defined by Business and Professions Code section 4000 et seq. "Resumption of practice" means any calendar month during which respondent is practicing as a pharmacist for at least 40 hours as a pharmacist as defined by Business and Professions Code section 4000 et seq.

14. Violation of Probation

If a respondent has not complied with any term or condition of probation, the board shall have continuing jurisdiction over respondent, and probation shall automatically be extended, until all terms and conditions have been satisfied or the board has taken other action as deemed appropriate to treat the failure to comply as a violation of probation, to terminate probation, and to impose the penalty that was stayed.

If respondent violates probation in any respect, the board, after giving respondent notice and an opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order that was stayed. Notice and opportunity to be heard are not required for those provisions stating that a violation thereof may lead to automatic termination of the stay and/or revocation of the license. If a petition to revoke probation or an accusation is filed against respondent during probation, the board shall have continuing jurisdiction and the period of probation shall be automatically extended until the petition to revoke probation or accusation is heard and decided, and the charges and allegations in the Accusation shall be deemed true and correct.

15. Completion of Probation

Upon written notice by the board or its designee indicating successful completion of probation, respondent's license will be fully restored.

16. Remedial Education

Within one year sixty (60) days of the effective date of this decision, respondent shall submit to the board or its designee, for prior approval, an appropriate program of remedial

education related to compounding. The program of remedial education shall consist of at least ten (10) hours, which shall be completed within twelve months at respondent's own expense. All remedial education shall be in addition to, and shall not be credited toward, continuing education (CE) courses used for license renewal purposes.

Failure to timely submit or complete the approved remedial education shall be considered a violation of probation. The period of probation will be automatically extended until such remedial education is successfully completed and written proof, in a form acceptable to the board, is provided to the board or its designee.

Following the completion of each course, the board or its designee may require the respondent, at his own expense, to take an approved examination to test the respondent's knowledge of the course. If the respondent does not achieve a passing score on the examination, this failure shall be considered a violation of probation. Any such examination failure shall require respondent to take another course approved by the board in the same subject area.

ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Tony Park. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Pharmacist License. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Pharmacy.

DATED: 8/5/6 MOSHE LALEHZARI
Respondent

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I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Moshe Lalebzari the terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I approve its form and content.

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5		ENDORSEMENT
6	The foregoing Stimulated Sc	ettlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully
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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 4907

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"(5) Taking any other action in relation to disciplining him or her as the board in its

"(4) Revoking his or her license.

discretion may deem proper.

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- "(c) The board may refuse a license to any applicant guilty of unprofessional conduct. The board may, in its sole discretion, issue a probationary license to any applicant for a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct and who has met all other requirements for licensure. The board may issue the license subject to any terms or conditions not contrary to public policy, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - "(1) Medical or psychiatric evaluation.
 - "(2) Continuing medical or psychiatric treatment.
 - "(3) Restriction of type or circumstances of practice.
 - "(4) Continuing participation in a board-approved rehabilitation program.
 - "(5) Abstention from the use of alcohol or drugs.
 - "(6) Random fluid testing for alcohol or drugs.
 - "(7) Compliance with laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy.
- "(d) The board may initiate disciplinary proceedings to revoke or suspend any probationary certificate of licensure for any violation of the terms and conditions of probation. Upon satisfactory completion of probation, the board shall convert the probationary certificate to a regular certificate, free of conditions.
- "(e) The proceedings under this article shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code, and the board shall have all the powers granted therein. The action shall be final, except that the propriety of the action is subject to review by the superior court pursuant to Section 1094.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure."
 - 8. Section 4301 of the Code states:

"The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct or whose license has been procured by fraud or misrepresentation or issued by mistake.

Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:

"(f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of relations as a licensee or otherwise, and whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not.

"(g) Knowingly making or signing any certificate or other document that falsely	represents
the existence or nonexistence of a state of facts.	

"(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency.

- "(p) Actions or conduct that would have warranted denial of a license.
- 9. Section 4300.1 of the Code states:

"The expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, or suspension of a board-issued license by operation of law or by order or decision of the board or a court of law, the placement of a license on a retired status, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee shall not deprive the board of jurisdiction to commence or proceed with any investigation of, or action or disciplinary proceeding against, the licensee or to render a decision suspending or revoking the license."

- 10. Section 4076 of the Code states:
- "(a) A pharmacist shall not dispense any prescription except in a container that meets the requirements of state and federal law and is correctly labeled with all of the following:

"…"

(9) The expiration date of the effectiveness of the drug dispensed.

- 11. Section 4342 of the Code states:
- "(a) The board may institute any action or actions as may be provided by law and that, in its discretion, are necessary, to prevent the sale of pharmaceutical preparations and drugs that do not conform to the standard and tests as to quality and strength, provided in the latest edition of the United States Pharmacopoeia or the National Formulary, or that violate any provision of the Sherman Food, Drug and Cosmetic Law (Part 5 (commencing with Section 109875) of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code)."

- "(b) Any knowing or willful violation of any regulation adopted pursuant to Section 4006 shall be subject to punishment in the same manner as is provided in Sections 4336 and 4321."
 - 12. Section 4169 of the Code states:
 - "(a) A person or entity may not do any of the following:

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"(3)Purchase, trade, sell, or transfer dangerous drugs that the person knew or reasonably should have known were misbranded, as defined in Section 111335 of the Health and Safety Code."

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13. Section 4307 of the Code states:

"Individuals with Denied, Revoked, Suspended, etc. Licenses Prohibited From Pharmacy Ownership or Association with Board Licensed Entities"

- "(a) Any person who has been denied a license or whose license has been revoked or is under suspension, or who has failed to renew his or her license while it was under suspension, or who has been a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of any partnership, corporation, firm, or association whose application for a license has been denied or revoked, is under suspension or has been placed on probation, and while acting as the manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner had knowledge of or knowingly participated in any conduct for which the license was denied, revoked, suspended, or 99 placed on probation, shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee as follows:
- "(1) Where a probationary license is issued or where an existing license is placed on probation, this prohibition shall remain in effect for a period not to exceed five years.
- "(2) Where the license is denied or revoked, the prohibition shall continue until the license is issued or reinstated.
- "(b) "Manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner," as used in this section and Section 4308, may refer to a pharmacist or to any other person who serves in that capacity in or for a licensee.

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"(c) The provisions of subdivision (a) may be alleged in any pleading filed pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code. However, no order may be issued in that case except as to a person who is named in the caption, as to whom the pleading alleges the applicability of this section, and where the person has been given notice of the proceeding as required by Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code. The authority to proceed as provided by this subdivision shall be in addition to the board's authority to proceed under Section 4339 or any other provision of law."

REGULATIONS

14. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, states:

"For the purpose of denial, suspension, or revocation of a personal or facility license pursuant to Division 1.5 (commencing with Section 475) of the Business and Professions Code, a crime or act shall be considered substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a licensee or registrant if to a substantial degree it evidences present or potential unfitness of a licensee or registrant to perform the functions authorized by his license or registration in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare."

- 15. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1751.6, subdivisions (a) (b) and (c) states:
- "(a) Consultation shall be available to the patient and/or primary caregiver concerning proper use of sterile injectable products and related supplies furnished by the pharmacy."
- "(b) The pharmacist-in-charge shall be responsible to ensure all pharmacy personnel engaging in compounding sterile injectable drug products shall have training and demonstrated competence in the safe handling and compounding of sterile injectable products, including cytotoxic agents if the pharmacy compounds products with cytotoxic agents."
- "(c) Records of training and demonstrated competence shall be available for each individual and shall be retained for three years beyond the period of employment."
 - 16. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1735.2 subdivision (d)(5), states:

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- 23. <u>Heparin</u>: Heparin is a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022, and is used as an anticoagulant in the prevention and treatment of thrombosis and embolism and is a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 24. <u>Ceftriaxone</u>: Ceftriaxone is a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022, and is used as a prescription antibiotic.
- 25. <u>Carimune</u>: Carimune is a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022, and is used to treat immune deficiencies.
- 26. Morphine: Morphine is a Schedule II controlled substance pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 11055(b)(1)(L) and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022, and is used to treat severe pain.
- 27. <u>Bupivacaine</u>: Bupivacaine is a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022, and is used as a local anesthetic.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

[Unprofessional Conduct (Staff Training of Injectable Compounding) - Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari]

- 28. Respondents Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari are subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code section 4301, subdivision (o) in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1751.6, subdivisions (b) and (c) in that the Respondents failed to ensure all pharmacy personnel engaging in compounding sterile injectable drug products had training and had demonstrated competence in the safe handling and compounding of sterile injectable products, and that records of training were available for each individual for three years beyond employment. The circumstances are as follows:
- 29. On or about October 16, 2012 an onsite inspection by the Board of Pharmacy revealed that Complete Infusion Care and pharmacist-in-charge Moshe Lalehzari did not have training records of demonstrated competencies for pharmacy personnel.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

[Unprofessional Conduct (Compounding Limitations and Requirements) - Complete Infusion

Care and Moshe Lalehzari]

- 30. Respondents Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari are subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code section 4301, subdivision (o) in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1735.2 subdivision (d)(5) where prior to compounding drug products, Respondents failed to prepare a written master formula record that included at least a process or procedure used to prepare the drug. The circumstances are as follows:
- 31. On or about October 16, 2012, an onsite inspection by the Board of Pharmacy revealed that at Complete Infusion Care, the compounding records dated January 23, 2012 for RX 6850 and June 7, 2012 for RX 8437 for patient C.B. prepared by pharmacist-in-charge Moshe Lalehzari did not have the process or procedure used to prepare and compound the preservative free non-sterile to sterile morphine 50 mg/ml + bupivacaine 30 mg/ml compound on the Compound Sheet under "Mix Instructions".

THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

[Unprofessional Conduct (Record Keeping of Compounded Drug Products) - Complete Infusion

Care and Moshe Lalehzari]

- 32. Respondents Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari are subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code section 4301, subdivision (o) in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1735.3 subdivision (a), which states (a) for each compounded drug product, the pharmacy records failed to include: (7) the equipment used in compounding the drug product. The circumstances are as follows:
- 33. On or about October 16, 2012, an onsite inspection by the Board of Pharmacy revealed that at Complete Infusion Care, the compounding records dated January 23, 2012 for RX

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uncertainties, ambiguities, or alterations without contacting the prescriber for clarification. The circumstances are as follows:

40. On or about March 8, 2012, April 9, 2012, and May 22, 2012, Respondents Moshe Lalehzari and Ali Pourmola while working at Complete Infusion Care located at 8588 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90034, dispensed uncertain and ambiguous prescriptions for Carimune 20gm RX, Nos. 7267, 7673, and 8258 to patient E.L.² without first clarifying the dose of the prescriptions with the prescriber. Specifically, E.L.'s Carimune prescriptions were written incorrectly for a daily dose of "0.4 mg/kg" for a calculated dose of 20mg per day and not the correct dose of "0.4gm/kg" for a calculated dose of 20gm per day. The prescriptions were dispensed by Respondents without first obtaining clarification of the correct ordered dose from the prescriber.

SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

[Labeling Requirements - Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari]

- 41. Respondents Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari are subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code section 4076 subdivision (a)(9) which precludes a pharmacist from dispensing any prescription unless in a container that is correctly labeled with the expiration dates of the effectiveness of the drug dispensed. The circumstances are as follows:
- 42. On or about May 25, 2012, Respondent Moshe Lalehzari, while working at Complete Infusion Care located at 8588 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90034, dispensed five bags of Carimune RX# 8258 to patient E.L. labeled with the incorrect expiration date of May 28, 2012. Specifically, on or about May 25, 2012, Respondent Moshe Lalehzari dispensed a five (5) day course of Carimune 20gm RX # 8258 with a labeled expiration dated of May 28, 2012, which resulted in the last two (2) days of the five (5) day Carimune doses being labeled as expired at the time of use.

² Patient initials are used in lieu of real names in order to protect the privacy rights of the individuals.

EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

[Sterile Injectable Labeling Requirements - Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari]

- 43. Respondents Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari are subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code section 4076 in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1751.2 and 1735.4, which requires a pharmacy that compounds sterile injectable products to include on the label the instructions for storage and handling. The circumstances are as follows:
- 44. On or about March 8, 2012 and April 9, 2012, Respondent Moshe Lalehzari while working at Complete Infusion Care located at 8588 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90034, dispensed Carimune 20gm RX Nos. 7267 and 7673 labeled with instructions to store medication at room temperature instead of being stored by the required method of refrigeration.

NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

[Records of Compounding Products - Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari]

- 45. Respondents Complete Infusion Care and Moshe Lalehzari are subject to disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code section 4300 in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1735.3 subdivisions (a)(2), (3), (4), (6), and (10), which requires for each compounded product, that the pharmacy records include the date the drug was compounded, the identity of the pharmacy personnel who compounded the product, the identity of the pharmacist reviewing the final product, the manufacturer and a lot number of each component, and the quantity or amount of the drug compounded. The circumstances are as follows:
- 46. On or about March 8, 2012, April 9, 2012, and May 25, 2012, Respondent Moshe Lalehzari, while working at Complete Infusion Care located at 8588 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90034, dispensed sterile injectable compound Carimune 20gm, RX nos. 7267, 7673 and 8258 without maintaining proper compounding records for each of the products dispensed.

OTHER MATTERS

173. Pursuant to Code section 4307, if discipline is imposed on Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 46839 or Sterile Compounding License Number LSC 99250, issued to Complete Infusion Care, and Ali Pourmola (Pourmola) while acting as the manager,

administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of Complete Infusion Care had knowledge of or knowingly participated in any conduct for which Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 46939 or Sterile Compounding License Number LSC 99250, issued to Complete Infusion Care was revoked, suspended or placed on probation, Pourmola shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for five years if Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 46839 or Sterile Compounding License Number LSC 99250, issued to Complete Infusion Care is placed on probation or until Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 46839 or Sterile Compounding License Number LSC 99250, issued to Complete Infusion Care is reinstated if it is revoked.

DISCIPLINE CONSIDERATIONS

- 47. To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Respondents, Complainant alleges as follows:
- a) On or about October 15, 2009, in a prior action, the Board of Pharmacy issued Citation Number CI 2009 41466 to Respondent Ali Pourmola for violations of Business and Professions Code section 4059, subdivision (a) (furnishing dangerous drugs without prescription) and Health & Safety Code section 11200, subdivision (c) (no prescription for Schedule II substance may be refilled). Respondent was ordered to pay \$4000. On or about March 21, 2012, the Citation was modified and reduced. Respondent was ordered to pay \$1000. That Citation is now final and is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth.
- b) On or about October 15, 2009, in a prior action, the Board of Pharmacy issued Citation Number CI 2008 38864 to Respondent Complete Infusion Care for violations of Business and Professions Code section 4059, subdivision (a) (furnishing dangerous drugs without prescription) and Health & Safety Code section 11200, subdivision (c) (no prescription for Schedule II substance may be refilled). Respondent was ordered to pay \$4000. On or about April 20, 2012, the Citation was modified and reduced. Respondent was ordered to pay \$1500. That Citation is now final and is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth.

c) On or about July 1, 2013, in a prior action, the Board of Pharmacy issued
Citation Number CI 2012 53606 to Respondent Complete Infusion Care for violations of
Business and Professions Code Section 4115 subdivision (e) and California Code of Regulations
section 1793.2 subdivision (b) (no person shall act as a pharmacy technician without being
licensed by the Board) and ordered Respondent to pay \$1000. That Citation is now final and is
incorporated by reference as if fully set forth.

d) On or about July 1, 2013, in a prior action, the Board of Pharmacy issued Citation Number CI 2012 57415 to Respondent Moshe Lalehzari for violations of Business and Professions Code Section 4115 subdivision (e) and California Code of Regulations section 1793.2 subdivision (b) (no person shall act as a pharmacy technician without being licensed by the Board) and ordered Respondent to pay \$1000. That Citation is now final and is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:

- 1. Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 46839, issued to Complete Infusion Care; Ali Pourmola
- 2. Revoking or suspending Sterile Compounding License Number LSC 99250, issued to Complete Infusion Care; Ali Pourmola;
- 3. Revoking or suspending Pharmacy License Number RPH 48035 issued to Ali Pourmola;
- 4. Revoking or suspending Pharmacy License Number RPH 59011 issued to Moshe Lalehzari;
- 5. Prohibiting Ali Pourmola from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for five years if Pharmacy Permit Number 46839 or Sterile Compounding License Number LSC 99250 issued to Complete Infusion Care is placed on probation or until Pharmacy Permit Number 46839 or Sterile Compounding License Number LSC 99250 issued to Complete Infusion Care is reinstated if Pharmacy Permit

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3	6. Ordering Complete Infusion Care, Ali Pourmola and Moshe Lalehzari to pay the
4	Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case,
5	pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3; and
6	7. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.
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Nevada State Board of Pharmacy - Renewal Application - PHARMACIST

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For the period of November 1, 2015 to October 31, 2017

Money Order ONLY (NO BUSINESS or PERSONAL CHECKS, NO CASH) \$180.00 (postmarked on or before 10/31/2015) OR \$320.00 (postmarked after 10/31/2015)

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BOARD OF PHARMACY

Licensee Name: LIM PHIC

License Type: REGISTERED PHARMACIST

License Number: 49175

License Status: Probation or practice restriction Definition

Probation Definition

Expiration Date: December 31, 2019 **Issue Date:** October 22, 1996

Address:

1553 LUCRETIA AVE

City:

LOS ANGELES

State: CA **Zip:** 90026

County:

LOS ANGELES

Actions:

Yes

Related Licenses/Registrations/Permits

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48869	GEMMEL PHARMACY OF UPLAND	RETAIL PHARMACY	CANCELLED
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48872	GEMMEL SAN ANTONIO PHARMACY	RETAIL PHARMACY	CANCELLED
48899	EAST LA PHARMACY	RETAIL PHARMACY	CANCELLED
49143	RANCHO SANTA FE PHARMACY	RETAIL PHARMACY	CANCELLED
49247	RANCHO SANTA FE PHARMACY	RETAIL PHARMACY	CANCELLED
49825	B & B PHARMACY	RETAIL PHARMACY	CANCELLED
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Case Number:

AC201300490600

Description of Action:

THESE PROCEEDINGS ARE CONCLUDED WITHOUT THE

IMPOSITION OF DISCIPLINE.

Effective Date of

May 02, 2018

Action:

Public documents relating to this action are available here: http://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/enforcement/afy1314/ac134906

Case Number:

AC201300487300

Description of Action:

THROUGH A DISCIPLINARY ACTION OF THE BOARD, THE

LICENSE IS REVOKED, THE REVOCATION IS STAYED, AND THE LICENSEE IS PLACED ON PROBATION FOR THREE YEARS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN THE DECISION.

Effective Date of

May 02, 2018

Action:

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Complainant alleges:

PARTIES

- 1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs
- 2. On or about March 23, 2009, the Board issued Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 49825 to Gemmel Pharmacy Inc., dba B & B Pharmacy; Phic Lim¹; Stanley Marc Schwartz² (Respondent Pharmacy). The Pharmacy Permit expired on March 1, 2012, and has not been renewed.
- 3. On or about October 22, 1996, the Board issued Pharmacist License Number RPH 49175 to Phic Lim (Respondent Lim). The Pharmacist License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on December 31, 2015, if not renewed.
- 4. On or about August 9, 1979, the Board issued Pharmacist License Number RPH 32928 to Stanley Marc Schwartz (Respondent Schwartz). The Pharmacist License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on June 30, 2015, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

- 5. This Accusation is brought before the Board the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code ("Code") unless otherwise indicated.
 - 6. Section 4300 of the Code states, in pertinent part:
 - "(a) Every license issued may be suspended or revoked."
 - 7. Section 4300.1 of the Code states:

"The expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, or suspension of a board-issued license by operation of law or by order or decision of the board or a court of law, the placement of a license

¹ Phic Lim was the Secretary from March 23, 2009 to December 23, 2011, and the Pharmacist-in-Charge from March 23, 2009 to February 28, 2010.

² Stanley Schwarz was the Pharmacist-in-Charge from March 1, 2010 to December 23, 2011.

on a retired status, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee shall not deprive the board of jurisdiction to commence or proceed with any investigation of, or action or disciplinary proceeding against, the licensee or to render a decision suspending or revoking the license."

STATUTORY PROVISIONS

Section 4301 of the Code states: 8.

"The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct or whose license has been procured by fraud or misrepresentation or issued by mistake. Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:

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- "(d) The clearly excessive furnishing of controlled substances in violation of subdivision (a) of Section 11153 of the Health and Safety Code.
- "(e) The clearly excessive furnishing of controlled substances in violation of subdivision (a) of Section 11153.5 of the Health and Safety Code. Factors to be considered in determining whether the furnishing of controlled substances is clearly excessive shall include, but not be limited to, the amount of controlled substances furnished, the previous ordering pattern of the customer (including size and frequency of orders), the type and size of the customer, and where and to whom the customer distributes its product.

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"(i) The violation of any of the statutes of this state, or any other state, or of the United States regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs.

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"(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency."

9. Section 4022 of the Code states: 26

> "Dangerous drug" or "dangerous device" means any drug or device unsafe for self-use in humans or animals, and includes the following:

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records or other documentation shall be retained on the licensed premises.

- "(c) The records required by this section shall be retained on the licensed premises for a period of three years from the date of making,
- "(d) Any records that are maintained electronically shall be maintained so that the pharmacist-in-charge, the pharmacist on duty if the pharmacist-in-charge is not on duty, or, in the case of a veterinary food-animal drug retailer or wholesaler, the designated representative on duty, shall, at all times during which the licensed premises are open for business, be able to produce a hard copy and electronic copy of all records of acquisition or disposition or other drug or dispensing-related records maintained electronically."
 - 12. Health and Safety Code section 11153 provides:
- "(a) A prescription for a controlled substance shall only be issued for a legitimate medical purpose by an individual practitioner acting in the usual course of his or her professional practice. The responsibility for the proper prescribing and dispensing of controlled substances is upon the prescribing practitioner, but a corresponding responsibility rests with the pharmacist who fills the prescription. Except as authorized by this division, the following are not legal prescriptions: (1) an order purporting to be a prescription which is issued not in the usual course of professional treatment or in legitimate and authorized research; or (2) an order for an addict or habitual user of controlled substances, which is issued not in the course of professional treatment or as part of an authorized narcotic treatment program, for the purpose of providing the user with controlled substances, sufficient to keep him or her comfortable by maintaining customary use."

REGULATORY PROVISIONS

- 13. California Code of Regulations, title 16 ("Regulations"), section 1761 provides:
- "(a) No pharmacist shall compound or dispense any prescription which contains any significant error, omission, irregularity, uncertainty, ambiguity or alteration. Upon receipt of any such prescription, the pharmacist shall contact the prescriber to obtain the information needed to validate the prescription.
- "(b) Even after conferring with the prescriber, a pharmacist shall not compound or dispense a controlled substance prescription where the pharmacist knows or has objective reason to know that said prescription was not issued for a legitimate medical purpose."

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COST RECOVERY PROVISION

14. Section 125.3 of the Code states, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

DRUG CLASSIFICATIONS

- 15. Dilaudid, brand name for hydromorphone, is a controlled substance as defined under Health and Safety Code section 11055, section (b)(1)(I), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022. It is used for the relief of pain.
- 16. Oxycontin, brand name for oxycodone, is a controlled substance as defined under Health and Safety Code section 11055, section (b)(1)(M), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022. It is used for the relief of pain.
- 17. Vicodin ES, brand name for hydrocodone/acetaminophen, is a controlled substance as defined under Health and Safety Code section 11056, section (e)(4), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022. It is used for the relief of pain.

BOARD INVESTIGATION

- 18. On or about March 7, 2011, pursuant to a referral from the Department of Health Care Services, Board Inspectors investigated Respondent Pharmacy to gather prescriptions and other data. The investigation revealed that from about July 1, 2009 to about January 6, 2011, Respondent Pharmacy dispensed a total of about 2438 prescriptions for Oxycontin 80mg for a total of about 215,434 dosage units, of which 1503 (or 61.64%) prescription for total dosage units of 133,854 were from Dr. S.S., Dr. H.G. and Physician Assistant A.G. of Compton Pain Center ("CPC") in Compton. One of the common combinations prescribed by these three practitioners was Oxycontin 80mg with Dilaudid 4mg.
- 19. A review of the Controlled Substance Utilization Review ("CURES") data for Respondent Pharmacy reveals the following:

- a. Physician Assistant A.G. wrote a total of 6,240 controlled substance prescriptions from July 1, 2009 to January 6, 2011, of which 2,504 (40.13%-largest) were dispensed at Respondent Pharmacy.
- b. Dr. S.S. wrote a total of 1,037 controlled substance prescriptions from July 1, 2009 to January 6, 2011, of which 269 (25.94%-largest) were dispensed at Respondent Pharmacy.
- c. Dr. H.G. wrote a total of 1,772 controlled substance prescriptions from July 1, 2009 to January 6, 2011, of which 328 (18.51%-largest) were dispensed at Respondent Pharmacy.
- 20. The following are the prescriptions written from CPC and dispensed by Respondent Pharmacy between March 23, 2009 and December 23, 2011:
- a. Patient HH received Oxycontin 80mg above the recommended dosing interval of twice daily, along with Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100.
- b. Patient KH received Oxycontin 80mg above the recommended dosing interval of twice daily, along with Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100. KH lived in Los Angeles, traveled approximately 18 miles to CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive her prescriptions.
- c. Patient JT received a combination of Oxycontin 80mg and hydromorphone 4mg.

 Oxycontin 80mg 2 tabs am, 1 pm #90; Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100. JT lived in Los Angeles, traveled approximately 18 miles to CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive her prescriptions. Respondent Pharmacy also dispensed 2 prescriptions for Oxycontin 80mg on July 13, 2009.
- d. Patient JW received a combination of Oxycontin 80mg and hydromorphone 4mg.

 Oxycontin 80mg 2 tabs am, 1 pm #90; Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100. JW lived in Los Angeles, traveled approximately 22 miles to CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions. JW paid cash for these drugs when they were not covered by insurance.

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- e. Patient DU received a combination of Oxycontin 80mg and hydromorphone 4mg.

 Oxycontin 80mg 2 tabs am, 1 pm #90; Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100. DU lived in Los Angeles, traveled approximately 23 miles to CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions.
- f. Patient AS received a combination of Oxycontin 80mg and hydromorphone 4mg.

 Oxycontin 80mg 2 tabs am, 1 pm #90; Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100. AS lived in Los Angeles, traveled approximately 12 miles to CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions.
- g. Patient JJ received a combination of Oxycontin 80mg and hydromorphone 4mg.

 Oxycontin 80mg 2 tabs am, 1 pm #90; Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100. JJ lived in Los Angeles, traveled approximately 18 miles to CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions.
- h. Patient FJ received a combination of Oxycontin 80mg and hydromorphone 4mg.

 Oxycontin 80mg 2 tabs am, 1 pm #90; Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100. FJ lived in Los Angeles, traveled approximately 10 miles to CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions.
- i. Patient MC received a combination of Oxycontin 80mg and hydromorphone 4mg.

 Oxycontin 80mg 2 tabs am, 1 pm #90; Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100. MC lived in Los Angeles, traveled approximately 16 miles to CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions. Respondent Pharmacy's printed CURES report for MC shows that on June 16, 2010, July 14, 2010 and August 13, 2010, MC used multiple physicians and pharmacies to obtain his pain medications. MC also paid cash for his pain medications when they were not covered by his insurance.
- j. Patient LM received a combination of Oxycontin 80mg and hydromorphone 4mg.

 Oxycontin 80mg 2 tabs am, 1 pm #90; Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100. LM lived in Long Beach, traveled approximately 3 miles to CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions.

k. Patient EA received hydrocodone/acetaminophen 7.5/750mg, above the
recommended dose of 4000mg/day of acetaminophen. Respondent Pharmacy dispensed
4500mg/day to EA who lived in Moreno Valley, traveled approximately 50 miles to visit his
physician, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions.

- l. Patient RA received hydrocodone/acetaminophen 7.5/750mg, above the recommended dose of 4000mg/day of acetaminophen. Respondent Pharmacy dispensed 3000-4500 mg/day to RA.
- m. Patient KB received hydrocodone/acetaminophen 7.5/750mg, above the recommended dose of 4000mg/day of acetaminophen. Respondent Pharmacy dispensed 3000-4500mg/day to KB. KB lived in Highland, traveled approximately 6 miles to visit his physician in San Bernardino, and drove an additional 67 miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions.
- n. Patient JH received hydrocodone/acetaminophen 7.5/750mg, above the recommended dose of 4000mg/day of acetaminophen. Respondent Pharmacy dispensed 3000-4500mg/day to JH. JH lived in Pomona, traveled approximately 40 miles to visit his physician in Beverly Hills, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions.
- o. Patient BH received hydrocodone/acetaminophen 7.5/750mg, 4500mg/day above the recommended dose of 4000mg/day of acetaminophen. Respondent Pharmacy dispensed 4500mg/day to BH.
- p. Patient NM received hydrocodone/acetaminophen 7.5/750mg, above the recommended dose of 4000mg/day of acetaminophen. Respondent Pharmacy dispensed 3000-4500mg/day to NM. NM lived in Anaheim, traveled approximately 17 miles to visit her physician in Pico Rivera, and drove additional miles to Respondent Pharmacy to receive her prescriptions.
- q. Patient KA received a combination of Oxycontin 80mg and hydromorphone 4mg.

 Oxycontin 80mg 2 tabs am, 1 pm #90; Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #100.
- r. Patient EM received Oxycontin 80mg above the recommended dosing interval of twice daily. EM was also prescribed Dilaudid 4mg, 1 tab every 6 hours as needed #90. EM lived in Los Angeles, traveled approximately 18 miles CPC, and drove additional miles to Respondent

Pharmacy to receive his prescriptions. Respondent Pharmacy's printed Controlled Substance Utilization Review ("CURES") report for EM shows that on June 9, 2010, EM used multiple physicians to obtain his pain medications.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Failure to Assume Co-Responsibility to Validate Legitimacy of Prescription)

21. Respondents Pharmacy, Lim and Schwartz are subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivisions (d) and (j) for violating Health and Safety Code section 11153, subdivision (a), and Code section 4301, subdivision (o), for violating Regulations sections 1761, in that between March 23, 2009 to December 23, 2011, Respondents failed to assume corresponding responsibility by failing to validate the legitimacy of the prescriptions and/or reviewing the patients' drug therapy, by dispensing prescriptions to physician shoppers, and/or by dispensing erroneous/uncertain prescriptions. Complainant refers to and incorporates all the allegations contained in paragraphs 18-20, as though set forth fully.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Failure to Maintain Records)

22. Respondents Pharmacy and Lim are subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (o) for violating Code sections 4081 and 4105, in that during the Board investigation on March 7, 2011, Respondents could not produce prescription hardcopies for RX ## 1574617, 1578157, 1556336, 1578979, 1558050, 1558030, 1560968 and 1562161 for the period between March 23, 2009 and February 28, 2010.

DISCIPLINE CONSIDERATIONS

23. To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Respondent Lim, Complainant alleges that on or about April 27, 2011, the Board of Pharmacy issued Citation Number CI 2010 48039 to Respondent Lim for violations of Regulations section 1751.3, subdivision (b), 1751.7, subdivision (a), and 1716.2. Respondent Lim was ordered to pay a fine of \$1,500.00. That Citation is now final and is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth.

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PRAYER WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision: 1. Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 49825, issued to Gemmel Pharmacy Inc., dba B & B Pharmacy; Phic Lim; Stanley Marc Schwartz; Revoking or suspending Pharmacist License Number RPH 49175, issued to Phic Lim; 3. Revoking or suspending Pharmacist License Number RPH 32928, issued to Stanley Marc Schwartz; 4. Ordering Gemmel Pharmacy Inc., dba B & B Pharmacy, Phic Lim and Stanley Marc Schwartz to jointly and severally pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3; 5. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper. 4/5/14 DATED: VIRGINIA HEROLD Executive Officer Board of Pharmacy Department of Consumer Affairs State of California Complainant LA2013509961 51485506,doc

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Pharmacy). The Pharmacy Permit expired on May 1, 2012, and has not been renewed.

3. On October 22, 1996, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacist License Number RPH 49175 to Phic Lim (Respondent Phic Lim). The Pharmacist License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on December 31, 2017 unless it is renewed.

JURISDICTION

- 4. This Accusation is brought before the Board under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
- 5. Section 4300 of the Code states in relevant part that "[e]very license issued may be suspended or revoked."
 - 6. Section 4300.1 of the Code states:

The expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, or suspension of a board-issued license by operation of law or by order or decision of the board or a court of law, the placement of a license on a retired status, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee shall not deprive the board of jurisdiction to commence or proceed with any investigation of, or action or disciplinary proceeding against, the licensee or to render a decision suspending or revoking the license.

STATUTES

- 7. Section 490 of the Code states in relevant part:
- (a) In addition to any other action that a board is permitted to take against a licensee, a board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime, if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a board may exercise any authority to discipline a licensee for conviction of a crime that is independent of the authority granted under subdivision (a) only if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the licensee's license was issued.
- (c) A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. An action that a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code.

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(f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of relations as a licensee or otherwise, and whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not.

(j) The violation of any of the statutes of this state, of any other state, or of the United States regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs.

(1) The conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. The record of conviction of a violation of Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 801) of Title 21 of the United States Code regulating controlled substances or of a violation of the statutes of this state regulating controlled substances or dangerous drugs shall be conclusive evidence of unprofessional conduct. In all other cases, the record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction occurred. The board may inquire into the circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime, in order to fix the degree of discipline or, in the case of a conviction not involving controlled substances or dangerous drugs, to determine if the conviction is of an offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this provision. The board may take action when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing the person to withdraw his or her plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information, or indictment.

(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency.

11. Section 4307 of the Code states:

(a) Any person who has been denied a license or whose license has been revoked or is under suspension, or who has failed to renew his or her license while it was under suspension, or who has been a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control of any partnership, corporation, trust, firm, or association whose application for a license has been denied or revoked, is under suspension or has been placed on probation, and while acting as the manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control had knowledge of or

knowingly participated in any conduct for which the license was denied, revoked, suspended, or placed on probation, shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or in any other position with management or control of a licensee as follows:

- (1) Where a probationary license is issued or where an existing license is placed on probation, this prohibition shall remain in effect for a period not to exceed five years.
- (2) Where the license is denied or revoked, the prohibition shall continue until the license is issued or reinstated.
- (b) "Manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control of a license" as used in this section and Section 4308, may refer to a pharmacist or to any other person who serves in such capacity in or for a licensee.
- (c) The provisions of subdivision (a) may be alleged in any pleading filed pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code. However, no order may be issued in that case except as to a person who is named in the caption, as to whom the pleading alleges the applicability of this section, and where the person has been given notice of the proceeding as required by Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code. The authority to proceed as provided by this subdivision shall be in addition to the board's authority to proceed under Section 4339 or any other provision of law.

12. Section 4332 of the Code states in relevant part:

Any person who fails, neglects, or refuses to maintain the records required by Section 4081 or who, when called upon by an authorized officer or a member of the board, fails, neglects, or refuses to produce or provide the records within a reasonable time, or who willfully produces or furnishes records that are false, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

13. Health and Safety Code section 11153 states in relevant part:

(a) A prescription for a controlled substance shall only be issued for a legitimate medical purpose by an individual practitioner acting in the usual course of his or her professional practice. The responsibility for the proper prescribing and dispensing of controlled substances is upon the prescribing practitioner, but a corresponding responsibility rests with the pharmacist who fills the prescription. Except as authorized by this division, the following are not legal prescriptions: (1) an order purporting to be a prescription which is issued not in the usual course of professional treatment or in legitimate and authorized research; or (2) an order for an addict or habitual user of controlled substances, which is issued not in the course of professional treatment or as part of an authorized narcotic treatment program, for the purpose of providing the user with controlled substances, sufficient to keep him or her comfortable by maintaining customary use.

DRUG CLASSIFICATIONS

- 19. Dilaudid is a brand name for hydromorphone. Dilaudid is a Schedule II controlled substance and a dangerous drug. (Health & Saf. Code, § 11055, subd. (b)(l)(J); Bus. & Prof. Code, § 4022.) Dilaudid is indicated for severe pain.
- 20. OxyContin is a brand name for oxycodone. OxyContin is a Schedule II controlled substance and a dangerous drug. (Health & Saf. Code, § 11055, subd. (b)(l)(M); Bus. & Prof. Code, § 4022.) OxyContin is indicated for moderate to severe pain.
- 21. Lyrica is a brand name for pregabalin. Lyrica is a Schedule V controlled substance and a dangerous drug. (Code Fed. Regs., tit. 21, § 1308.15, subd. (e)(13); Bus. & Prof. Code, § 4022.) Lyrica is indicated for fibromyalgia, diabetic nerve pain, spinal cord injury nerve pain, pain after shingles, and partial onset seizures in adults with epilepsy.

BOARD INVESTIGATION

22. From 2011 to 2013, the Board conducted a series of investigations of Respondent Pharmacy. Respondent Pharmacy's controlled substance log, prescription copies, Patient Activity Reports (PARs) and other documents, revealed violations of the Pharmacy Law.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Conviction of a Substantially Related Crime)

(As to Respondent Phic Lim)

- 23. Respondent Phic Lim is subject to disciplinary action under sections 490 and 4301, subdivision (I), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, in that Respondent Phic Lim was convicted of a crime that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a registered pharmacist.
- 24. On or about December 11, 2015, Respondent Phic Lim pleaded guilty to one felony count of structuring of currency transactions (31 U.S.C. § 5324(a)(3).) On or about February 8, 2016, Respondent was sentenced to 12 months and one day in a federal penitentiary and ordered to pay a fine of \$15,000 and a special assessment of \$100. Following release from imprisonment, Respondent was placed on supervised release for three years upon terms and conditions that, in relevant part, require him to obtain prior written approval from his probation officer before being

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hydrocodone/APAP 10 mg/325 mg from four other pharmacies during the period in which she obtained the prescriptions from Respondents.

- 41. Respondents knew or should have known that Respondent lived in Palmdale and traveled to San Dimas and Azusa for her prescriptions.
 - D. Patient Y.B. Received an Excessive Amount of Hydrocodone/APAP 10/325
- 42. On or about January 21, 2011, Respondents dispensed prescription number 724719 to Patient Y.B. The prescription consisted of 45 pills of hydrocodone/APAP 10 mg/325 mg, an 11-day supply.
 - 43. On or about January 26, 2011, Respondents dispensed a refill six days early.
 - 44. On or about February 3, 2011, Respondents dispensed a refill eight days early.
 - 45. On or about February 8, 2011, Respondents dispensed a refill six days early.
 - 46. On or about February 21, 2011, Respondents dispensed a refill.
 - 47. On or about February 25, 2011, Respondents dispensed a refill seven days early.
- 48. On or about March 4, 2011, Respondents ran a CURES report on Patient Y.B.

 A CURES report is a report generated from California's Controlled Substance Utilization Review

and Evaluation System. All prescription drug history information is maintained in CURES, a database which contains about 86 million records. The database includes information about the drug dispensed, drug quantity and strength, patient name, address, prescriber name, and

- authorization number, including DEA number and prescription number.
- 49. By virtue of the information conveyed in the CURES report, Respondents knew or should have known that during the period in which Patient Y.B. obtained prescriptions from Respondents, she also obtained prescriptions from 16 other pharmacies and 13 doctors.
- 50. Respondents knew or should have known that Patient Y.B. lived in San Gabriel and traveled to Glendora and Norwalk for her prescriptions.
 - E. Daily Logs Reveal Questionable Prescribing and Dispensing Patterns
- 51. The daily logs for Respondent Pharmacy reveal prescribing and dispensing patterns from which Respondents knew or should have known that the prescriptions they filled were not issued for a lawful medical purpose. Specifically, the daily logs show that out-of-area patients

received a combined 123 prescriptions for pain killers, including OxyContin 80 mg, morphine sulphate, and hydromorphone/Dilaudid 4 mg between January 4, 2010 and February 6, 2010, as follows:

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		January	4, 2010	
1	1/4/2010	696115	90	OxyContin 80 mg
2	1/4/2010	696137	90	OxyContin 80 mg
3	1/4/2010	696141	90	OxyContin 80 mg
4	1/4/2010	696145	90	OxyContin 80 mg
5	1/4/2010	696150	90	OxyContin 80 mg
6	1/4/2010	696155	90	OxyContin 80 mg
7	1/4/2010	696161	90	OxyContin 80 mg
8 4	1/4/2010	696169	90	OxyContin 80 mg
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9	1/5/2010	696270	90	OxyContin 80 mg
10	1/5/2010	696274	90	OxyContin 80 mg
11	1/5/2010	696278	90	OxyContin 80 mg
12	1/5/2010	696282	90	OxyContin 80 mg
13	1/5/2010	696286	90	OxyContin 80 mg
14	1/5/2010	696291	90	OxyContin 80 mg
15	1/5/2010	696295	90	OxyContin 80 mg
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16	1/7/2010	696489	90	OxyContin 80 mg
17	1/7/2010	696493	90	OxyContin 80 mg
18	1/7/2010	696500	90	OxyContin 80 mg
19	1/7/2010	696504	90	OxyContin 80 mg
20	1/7/2010	696505	60	Hydromorphone 4 mg

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22	1/7/2010	696514	90	OxyContin 80 mg
23	1/7/2010	696518	90	OxyContin 80 mg
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24	1/8/2010	696600	90	OxyContin 80 mg
25	1/8/2010	696604	90	OxyContin 80 mg
26	1/8/2010	696608	90	OxyContin 80 mg
27	1/8/2010	696613	90	OxyContin 80 mg
28	1/8/2010	696617	90	OxyContin 80 mg
29	1/8/2010	696621	90	OxyContin 80 mg
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30	1/9/2010	696717	90	OxyContin 80 mg
31	1/9/2010	696718	60	Morphine sulphate 50 mg
32	1/9/2010	696722	90	OxyContin 80 mg
33	1/9/2010	696727	90	OxyContin 80 mg
34	1/9/2010	696730	90	OxyContin 80 mg
35	1/9/2010	696734	90	OxyContin 80 mg
36	1/9/2010	696735	60	Hydromorphone 4 mg
37	1/9/2010	696740	90	OxyContin 80 mg
38	1/9/2010	696748	90	OxyContin 80 mg
39	1/9/2010	696752	90	OxyContin 80 mg
40	1/9/2010	696756	90	OxyContin 80 mg
41	1/9/2010	696760	90	OxyContin 80 mg
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42	1/11/2010	696788	90	OxyContin 80 mg
43	1/11/2010	696796	60	Morphine sulphate 50 mg

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45	1/11/2010	696805	90	OxyContin 80 mg
46	1/11/2010	696809	90	OxyContin 80 mg
47	1/11/2010	696813	90	OxyContin 80 mg
48	1/11/2010	696815	60	Hydromorphone 4 mg
49	1/11/2010	696831	90	OxyContin 80 mg
50	1/11/2010	696832	100	Dilaudid 4 mg
51	1/11/2010	696835	90	OxyContin 80 mg
52	1/11/2010	696836	100	Dilaudid 4 mg
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53	1/12/2010	696924	90	OxyContin 80 mg
54	1/12/2010	696928	90	OxyContin 80 mg
55	1/12/2010	696932	90	OxyContin 80 mg
56	1/12/2010	696937	90	OxyContin 80 mg
57	1/12/2010	696941	90	OxyContin 80 mg
58	1/12/2010	696942	60	Hydromorphone 4 mg
59	1/12/2010	696943	90	OxyContin 80 mg
60	1/12/2010	696949	90	OxyContin 80 mg
61	1/12/2010	696953	90	OxyContin 80 mg
62	1/12/2010	696972	90	OxyContin 80 mg
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63	1/16/2010	697326	90	OxyContin 80 mg
64	1/16/2010	697330	90	OxyContin 80 mg
65	1/16/2010	697334	90	OxyContin 80 mg
66	1/16/2010	697343	90	OxyContin 80 mg
67	1/16/2010	697349	90	OxyContin 80 mg

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70	1/16/2010	697361	90	OxyContin 80 mg
71	1/16/2010	697365	90	OxyContin 80 mg
72	1/16/2010	697369	90	OxyContin 80 mg
		January	18, 2010	
73	1/18/2010	697399	90	OxyContin 80 mg
74	1/18/2010	697409	90	OxyContin 80 mg
75	1/18/2010	697416	90	OxyContin 80 mg
76	1/18/2010	697422	90	OxyContin 80 mg
77	1/18/2010	697427	90	OxyContin 80 mg
78	1/18/2010	697436	90	OxyContin 80 mg
79	1/18/2010	697440	90	OxyContin 80 mg
80	1/18/2010	697444	90	OxyContin 80 mg
81	1/18/2010	697448	90	OxyContin 80 mg
82	1/18/2010	697454	90	OxyContin 80 mg
83	1/18/2010	697458	90	OxyContin 80 mg
84	1/18/2010	697462	90	OxyContin 80 mg
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85	1/23/2010	697925	90	OxyContin 80 mg
86	1/23/2010	697934	90	OxyContin 80 mg
87	1/23/2010	697938	90	OxyContin 80 mg
88	1/23/2010	697942	90	OxyContin 80 mg
89	1/23/2010	697946	- 90	OxyContin 80 mg
90	1/23/2010	697950	90	OxyContin 80 mg
91	1/23/2010	697955	90	OxyContin 80 mg

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93	1/23/2010	697965	90	OxyContin 80 mg
94	1/23/2010	697969	90	OxyContin 80 mg
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95	1/25/2010	698017	90	OxyContin 80 mg
96	1/25/2010	698021	90	OxyContin 80 mg
97	1/25/2010	698025	90	OxyContin 80 mg
98	1/25/2010	698029	90	OxyContin 80 mg
99	1/25/2010	698033	90	OxyContin 80 mg
100	1/25/2010	698037	90	OxyContin 80 mg
101	1/25/2010	698069	90	OxyContin 80 mg
102	1/25/2010	698077	90	OxyContin 80 mg
103	1/25/2010	698080	90	OxyContin 80 mg
104	1/25/2010	698082	100	Dilaudid 4 mg
200		January	30, 2010	
105	1/30/2010	698644	90	OxyContin 80 mg
106	1/30/2010	698647	90	OxyContin 80 mg
107	1/30/2010	698652	90	OxyContin 80 mg
108	1/30/2010	698655	90	OxyContin 80 mg
109	1/30/2010	698658	90	OxyContin 80 mg
110	1/30/2010	698661	90	OxyContin 80 mg
111	1/30/2010	698664	90	OxyContin 80 mg
112	1/30/2010	698667	90	OxyContin 80 mg
113	1/30/2010	698679	90	OxyContin 80 mg
191		Februar	y 6, 2010	
114	2/6/2010	699317	90	OxyContin 80 mg

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2	Date	Rx No.	Count	Drug
115	2/6/2010	699320	90	OxyContin 80 mg
116	2/6/2010	699323	90	OxyContin 80 mg
117	2/6/2010	699326	90	OxyContin 80 mg
118	2/6/2010	699329	90	OxyContin 80 mg
119	2/6/2010	699334	90	OxyContin 80 mg
120	2/6/2010	699337	90	OxyContin 80 mg
121	2/6/2010	699340	90	OxyContin 80 mg
122	2/6/2010	699343	90	OxyContin 80 mg
123	2/6/2010	699346	90	OxyContin 80 mg

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unauthorized Dispensing of Controlled Substance Refill)

(As to All Respondents)

52. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (j), for violating Health and Safety Code section 11200, in that Respondents dispensed a controlled substance refill more than six months after the date of the original prescription. On or about February 5, 2010, Respondents dispensed prescription number 699247 to Patient E.H. The prescription consisted of 60 tablets of Lyrica 300 mg, a 30-day supply. Respondents dispensed a refill prescription on December 17, 2010, which was more than six months from the date of the original prescription.

FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Failure to Keep Complete Accountability)

(As to All Respondents)

53. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (o), for violating Code sections 4081, 4332, and California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1718, in that, pursuant to an audit based on Respondent Pharmacy's records from March 25, 2010 to December 23, 2011, Respondents could not account for 142 tablets of Dilaudid 4 mg and 200

54. The Selected Data Audit Summary follows:

Drug	Initial	Amount		Amount	Amt. to	Stock On	Short-	
Drug	Amount	Ordered	Total	Dispensed	Account	Hand	age	
Dilaudid 4 mg	840	7,300	8,140	7,320	820	620	200	
OxyContin 80 mg	820	22,900	23,720	23,550	170	28	142	

DISCIPLINARY CONSIDERATIONS

55. To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Respondent Phic Lim, Complainant alleges that on or about April 27, 2011, the Board issued Citation Number CI 2010 48039 to Respondent Phic Lim for violations of California Code of Regulations, title 16, sections 1751.3, subdivision (b), 1751.7, subdivision (a), and 1716.2. Respondent Phic Lim was ordered to pay a fine of \$1,500. That Citation is now final and is incorporated herein by reference as if set forth fully.

OTHER MATTERS

56. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4307, if Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 45238 or Pharmacist License Number RPH 49175 is disciplined as part of the Board's Decision, then Phic Lim shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or in any other position with management or control of a licensee for a period (1) not to exceed five years if either Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 45238 or Pharmacist License Number RPH 49175 is placed on probation as part of the Board's decision, or (2) until said licenses are reinstated if they are revoked as part of the Board's decision.

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WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged. and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:

- Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 45238, issued to PS 1. Enterprise, Inc., doing business as Huntington Pharmacy; with Phic Lim as the President and Pharmacist-in-Charge;
 - Revoking or suspending Pharmacist License Number RPH 49175, issued to Phic Lim; 2.
- 3. Prohibiting Phic Lim, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4307, from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or in any other position with management or control of a licensee for a period (1) not to exceed five years if either Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 45238 or Pharmacist License Number RPH 49175 is placed on probation as part of the Board's decision, or (2) until said licenses are reinstated if they are revoked as part of the Board's decision;
- Ordering P S Enterprise, Inc., d.b.a. Huntington Pharmacy and Phic Lim, jointly and severally, to pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3; and,
 - 5. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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