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Individual Details		
Name	: BIGELOW JASON DEAN	
Individual ID	: 57537	
DOB	:	
License#	: 18118	
Original Issue Date	: 09/01/2011	
Mailing Address	: Spicewood Cir	
	RENO,NV, 89523	
Practice Phone	: (757) 881-2502	
Home Phone	:	
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Email Address	-	
License Details		
Pharmacist - 11/01/2	2021 - 10/31/2023 - Active	
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First Name : *	JASON	
Middle Name :	DEAN	
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Gender :	● Male 🛛 Female	
Age :	44	

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### **Darlene Nases**

From:	Monica Segedy
Sent:	Monday, December 5, 2022 12:02 PM
То:	Darlene Nases
Cc:	David Wuest
Subject:	FW: Internal Investigation

Darlene:

Will you please open a new case base on the email below from Costco. RPh Jason Bigelow, license #18118 was caught with 6 Oxycodone in his lab coat pocket. He is being terminated tomorrow.

Thank you,

Monica S. Segedy Investigator Nevada State Board of Pharmacy msegedy@Pharmacy.nv.gov (775) 850-1440



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From: Pharmacy Board <pharmacy@pharmacy.nv.gov> Sent: Monday, December 05, 2022 7:41 AM To: Monica Segedy <msegedy@pharmacy.nv.gov> Subject: Fw: Internal Investigation

Thank you.

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Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2022 7:20 PM
To: Shirley Hunting <<u>shunting@pharmacy.nv.gov</u>>; Pharmacy Board <<u>pharmacy@pharmacy.nv.gov</u>>;
Cc: w127phm@costco.com <<u>w127phm@costco.com</u>>
Subject: Internal Investigation

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#### Hello!

I sent the following email last night from my Costco email account but received a reply that it wasn't able to be opened. This is my personal email.

Feel free to email me back at either email address. Thank you for your help!

To whom it may concern,

We have an open investigation into a pharmacist at our location due to six Oxycodone 10mg tablets being found in his possession. He is currently suspended until our investigation clarifies the events leading up to the incident.

I will contact your office when the internal investigation is complete.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns.



Danielle Dulisse, PharmD Pharmacy Manager Costco Wholesale #127 Carson City, NV Work: (775)881-2502 Cell: Email: w127phm@costco.com

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From: W127 PHM To: msegedy@pharmacy.nv.gov Cc: Sent: December 5, 2022 11:40:32 AM PST12/5/2022 11:40:32 AM

## 11/29/2022

On 11/28/22, I was informed of a shortage of 6 oxycodone 10mg tablets.

After interviewing staff this is what happened leading up to the event:

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poured into the next patient's bottle or accidentally poured into a stock bottle of another medication. Jason appeared very nonchalant. I had all employees available to help search for this and he went back to just data verifying. I finally looked at him and asked "do you not understand how serious this is?" to which he said something along the lines of "I'm not sure what happened". I alerted my Regional Pharmacy Supervisor, Kira Schoenfeld, at 16:11 asking for guidance. She recommended pulling the video to follow the script and see what happened. Bill and Jason were still working, therefore I left to go to the office where my warehouse manager, Jim McCrossin, tried to log into Avigilon and we couldn't access the pharmacy cameras. At 17:13, I contacted Mike Tyler (corporate loss prevention) to ask for help with the situation.

I let Kira know that we couldn't view the cameras and LP would now take over. She directed me to start the process of alerting the DEA in a loss situation. I returned to the pharmacy to start the process of alerting the DEA, Pharmacy Internal Audit, and the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy. My technician,

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just said "can everyone just humor me and check your pockets". I walked into the bathroom to double check Marcos' smock as he had already gone home. When I walked into the bathroom I heard Jason yell "Holy shit! They're in my pocket". I turned around to see him leaning over the counter. There were five tablets on the counter and he was reaching into his left breast pocket on his smock. I noted there were only five and Jake said "dig out the last one". He pulled the sixth one out of his breast pocket. I was relieved that they were accounted for. Then I started to wonder how they could have fallen UP into his pocket. I gave him a hug and played it off like he was the hero for finding them. I thanked my staff for pulling through and told them I was going to let Jim and Kira know of the findings.

I left the pharmacy and called Kira around 5:45 and told her of my confusion of how the pills were found. We both agreed that I should stay until close with Jason to see his continued reaction. His nonchalant attitude and lack of concern throughout the ordeal made me feel confused. The findings of the pill in his upper smock pocket was odd. Bill left at 6pm so I remained in the pharmacy with Jason until close. He kept saying how he couldn't believe they were in there and how he didn't know how they got there.

This morning (11/29/22), I spoke with Mike and Kira consistently. I got a statement from the filling technician which has been sent to all involved. Jason was scheduled at 10:40 today. When he came in, he was more quiet than normal. I had Marcos in the patient immunization room finishing his statement. Jason was seen outside the room by Marcos acting like he was "peering in suspiciously" according to Marcos. After receiving Marcos' statement, I called Jason into the warehouse managers office where Kira, Jim and I suspended Jason due to the ongoing investigation while Mike continued to review the video footage.

When Kira asked Jason how the pills got into his pocket he still claimed he didn't know.

Danielle Dulisse, PharmD Pharmacy Manager Costco Wholesale #127 Carson City, NV Work: (775)881-2502 Cell:

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### **Peter Keegan**

From:	Monica Segedy
Sent:	Monday, December 5, 2022 3:23 PM
То:	KiraSchoenfeld@Costco.com
Subject:	RPh Jason Blgelow

HI Kira:

Here is a list of what I will need with regards to the investigation of RPh Jason Bigelow.

- Pharmacy Video footage from 11/28/2022 from 10:40 a.m. to 7:10 p.m.
- Current perpetual inventory count for 10mg Oxycodone
- Entry/Exit Records for CII cage/safe
- Copy Marcos Rodriguez statement and any other employee statements
- Copy of Costco Loss prevention investigative report and findings
- Copy of suspension notification to Bigelow
- Copy of termination notification to Bigelow
- Copy of any statements made by Bigelow

I will be at the pharmacy around 10:00 am.

Thank you, Kira

Monica S. Segedy Investigator Nevada State Board of Pharmacy msegedy@Pharmacy.nv.gov (775) 850-1440



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#### Employee Schedule - Weekly

#### Time Period 11/28/2022

#### 091-Pharmacy - Location: JUS-1/Warehouse/BA/D3/00127-Carson City/ANC/091-Pharmacy

Employee	FTE3M	Mon 11/28/2022	Weekly Total		
DULISSE. DANIELLE	FT	8:00A - 4:30P 8.00	8.00		
BIGELOW, JASON	PT	10.40A - 7:10P 8.00	8.00		
RASHIDZADEH, ANTONI	PT				
HUIRAS, CHRISTOPHER	LPT				
HUYNH, KATHLEEN MARIE LOC	LPT				
RUEBUSCH. WILLIAM	LPT	9:30A - 6:00P 8.00	8.00		
SISON, RODRIGO	LPT				
SPRAGUE- ABBOTT, ROBIN	LPT				
AMIN, SHALA	PT	10:40A - 7:10P 8.00	8.00		
CONNOLLY, ROBBIN	FT	10:00A - 6:30P 8.00	8.00		
FLEENOR, JACOB	FT	10:30A - 7.00P 8.00	8.00		
JONGSMA, MARLAN	FT				
Rodnguez, Marcos	FT	8.00A - 4.30P 8.00	8.00		
STUART, THEODORE	FT	10:40A - 7:10P 8.00	8.00		
BORECKI, AARON	PT	9:15A - 5:45P 8.00	8.00		
CAMPBELL, SARAH	FT	4:00A - 12:30P 8.00	8.00		

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Invoice Number:						
Adjustment Reason Code:						NVBOP0048

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DATE:	Nov 11, 2022
TO:	Paul Cano
CC:	Elaine Rocha, Kira Schoenfeld, Warren Wong
FROM:	Mike Tyler, LOSS PREVENTION MGR.
LOCATION:	Carson City Costco #127
RE:	INTERNAL INVESTIGATION
	Jason Bigelow - Pharmacist Employee #6312135 Hire Date 1/5/2021

This investigation was predicated on information:

On 11/28/2022 I received a call from Pharmacist Danielle Dulisse at 5:13pm. Dulisse explained that earlier in the day they had filled a prescription for a controlled substance (Oxycodone) and they were short 6 pills during the filling process. Dulisse was inquiring about immediate camera access for the pharmacy area. I told Dulisse that I did not have that authority to grant video access and that I would report the issue to Paul Cano BA Regional Vice President BA D3 and Lettie Lucerno Asst. Vice President for Security and Loss Prevention. At 5:40 Dulisse explained they did a thorough search of scripts, trash cans, counters and empty containers. She stated she was going to inspect the smock of an employee who was off and that everyone in the room check their own smocks. Jason Bigelow the Pharmacist who filled the prescription found the 6 missing pills in the top pocket of his smock.

### Timeline

- 2:04 Jason Bigelow opens the narcotics cabinet and removes two bottles of what is assumed to be Oxycodone and places them on the Center fill station.
   <u>Initial Fill from tech</u>
- 2:38:20 Marco Rodriquez the Pharmacy tech on duty processes the order. Marcos appears to count 20 pills which go inside a prescription tube and puts the remaining pills in the original container. A third sealed container of 100 pills was collected and put into
  - Tech Fill
- 2:49:03 Bigelow processes. Counts the pills in the container and at 2:49:28 returns the tray to Marco Rodriquez at the RX back island.
- 2:49:32 Bigelow removes a pill case from the upper level of the Narcotics cabinet.
- 2:52:34 Bigelow looks in the Narcotics cabinet briefly where overstock Oxycodone had been stored. He does not place or remove any items.
- 2:57:51 Rodriquez returns the reprocessed prescription to Bigelow
  - Redo of prescription
- 2:59:40 Bigelow inspects controlled substances from the top portion of the Narcotics cabinet. Nothing is removed

- 3:00:06 cabinet doors are closed but not locked
- 3:02:39 Bigelow recounts remaining stock of Oxycodone. He looks in the narcotics cabinet on the shelf where Oxycodone is stored. No items are added or removed from the cabinet. Door is left ajar
- 3:03:23 Bigelow recounts Oxycodone
- 3:03:48 3:04:27 Bigelow inspects Narcotics case
- 3:04:48 Danielle Dulisse Pharmacy Manger leave the pharmacy area
- 3:06:06 3:07:02 Bigelow arranges items in the Narcotics cabinet.
- 3:06:04 Tech starts to inspect the trash cans and floor
- 3:11:00 Prescriptions are still being filled
- 3:16:55 Bigelow places item in the upper level of the Narcotics cabinet
- 3:17:55 Bigelow interacts with a Pharmacist William Reubusch in regards to the shortage
- 3:17:56 Bigelow, Tech and Pharmacist William Reubusch inspect trash cans
- 3:19:24 Bigelow puts hand in right pocket of smock appears to transfer something to his pants pocket
  - Hand movement
  - Hand movement half speed
- 3:20:27 Bigelow removes his smock, places it on the corner of his work station, interacts with staff and exits pharmacy to go to break
- 3:21:16 Prescriptions are still being dispensed
- 3:36:23 Dulisse Pharmacy Manager enters the pharmacy area
- 3:44:23 Pharmacist Reubusch tells Dulisse of the missing 6 units of Oxycodone
- 3:53:51 Bigelow enters the Pharmacy. Bigelow picked up his smock on the corner of his work station. The smock had not been touched by another staff member the entire time that Bigelow was on break. It is in full camera view for the duration of the time Bigelow was out of the pharmacy
- 3:55:55 Radio call is made to AGM or WHM
- 4:08:22 AGM Joe McLean enters the pharmacy
- 4:36:57 GM Jim McCrossin enters the pharmacy interacts with Dulisse
- 5:27: Tech employees physically move items on RX island
- 5:31:12 Dulisse agrees to the suggestion to check all the stock bottles that have been prepped for the hour. Bottles are checked, trash cans are checked again
- 5:37:19 Dulisse stated that she told everyone that she was going to check the smock Marco's. Can everyone please check your smocks?
- 5:37:34 Bigelow puts his right hand into his lower smock pocket. His right hand appears to be empty.
  - Right hand
  - Right hand half speed
  - Left hand half speed
  - Left hand full speed
- 5:37:44 Bigelow announces that he has found the missing Oxycodone in his smock. He with some effort finds all 6 pills in his pocket.



2:04:16 pm Bigelow accesses the Narcotics cabinet. Removed to containers of Oxycodone



2:04:22 pm Prescription is dropped on the RX Island



First pill bottle is opened



Remaining pills after members prescription is filled 2:37pm 11/28/2022 02/38 20,483 PM



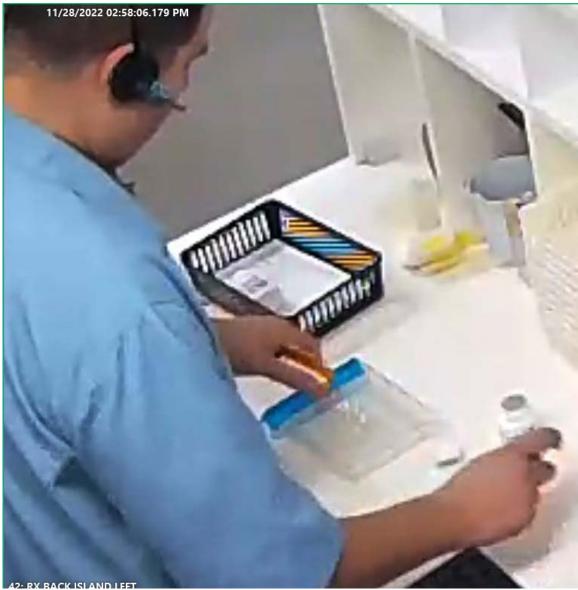
2:38:20 pm completed fill for prescription, basket is placed on shelf



2:42:40 pm Basket is picked up by Bigelow



2:49:24 pm Basket is returned to tech Rodriquez



42: BX BACK ISLAND LEET 2:58:06 pm pills are emptied from members' prescription bottle. Fill bottle is short 6 pills



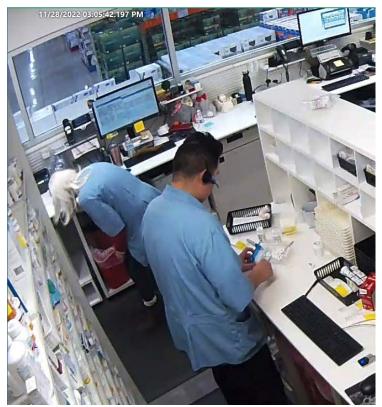
2:59:22 pm pill count is complete. Overstock container count is -6 from the original bottle count. (48)



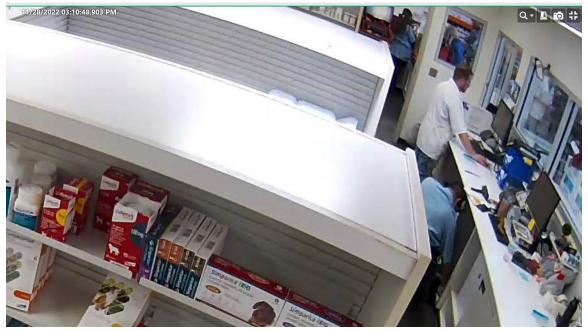
3:01:14 Dulisse exits the pharmacy. Is not told of the shortage



3:02:37 goes into Narcotics Cabinet



3:05:42 pm recounts are redone trash cans are inspected



3:10:48 additional inspection of the floor and cans are made



3:14:21 A discussion is had in regards to the shortage



3:19 Exits for lunch. Places smock on the counter



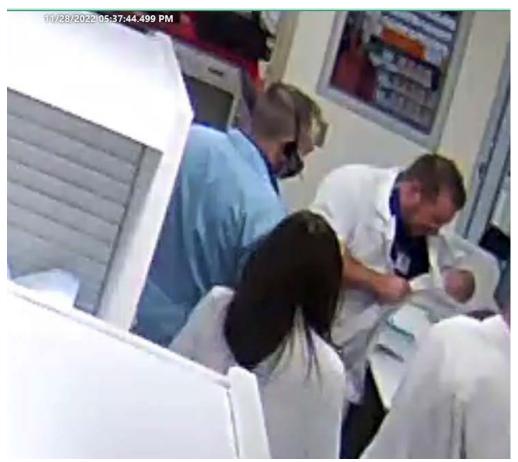
3:17:25 Bigelow interacts with another Pharmacist with the Oxycodone containers between them.



3:36:15 pm Dulisse enters the pharmacy



3:53:44 Bigelow returns to the department. Picks up his undisturbed smock and puts it on



5:37:44 Bigelow finds the pills in his left hand breast pocket of his smock. Note the distance from his jacket pocket to the counter where the fills are complete.

## **<u>ATTACHMENTS:</u>** Written statement and Other Supporting Documents

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#### Danielle Dulisse, PharmD - Pharmacy Manager #127 - Continued

this point I was thinking that maybe the 6 "lost tablets" were still in the counting tray and may have gotten poured into the next patient's bottle or accidentally poured into a stock bottle of another medication. Jason appeared very nonchalant. I had all employees available to help search for this and he went back to just data verifying. I finally looked at him and asked "do you not understand how serious this is?" to which he said something along the lines of not really knowing what happened. I alerted my Regional Pharmacy Supervisor, Kira Schoenfeld, at 16:11 asking for guidance. She recommended pulling the video to follow the script and see what happened. Bill and Jason were still working, therefore I left to go to the office where my warehouse manager, Jim McCrossin, tried to log into Avigilon and we couldn't access the pharmacy cameras. At 17:13, I contacted Mike Tyler (corporate loss prevention) to ask for help with the situation. I let Kira know that we couldn't view the cameras and LP would now take over. She directed me to start the process of alerting the DEA in a loss situation. I returned to the pharmacy to start the process of alerting the DEA, Pharmacy Internal Audit, and the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy. My technician, Jacob Fleenor, had the idea to check any stock bottles filled for the hour after the fill just in case the pills got in there. I pulled a report and Robbin, Jake and I looked in every bottle with zero success. Finally, I just said "can everyone just humor me and check your pockets". I walked into the bathroom to double check Marcos' smock as he had already gone home. When I walked into the bathroom I heard Jason yell "Holy shit! They're in my pocket". I turned around to see him leaning over the counter. There were five tablets on the counter and he was reaching into his left breast pocket on his smock. I noted there were only five and Jake said "dig out the last one". He pulled the sixth one out of his breast pocket. I was relieved that they were accounted for. Then I started to wonder how they could have fallen UP into his pocket. I gave him a hug and played it off like he was the hero for finding them. I thanked my staff for pulling through and told them I was going to let Jim and Kira know of the findings.

I left the pharmacy and called Kira around 5:45 and told her of my confusion of how the pills were found. We both agreed that I should stay until close with Jason to see his continued reaction. His nonchalant attitude and lack of concern throughout the ordeal made me feel confused. The findings of the pill in his upper smock pocket was odd. Bill left at 6pm so I remained in the pharmacy with Jason until close. He kept saying how he couldn't believe they were in there and how he didn't know how they got there.

This morning (11/29/22), I spoke with Mike and Kira consistently. I got a statement from the filling technician which has been sent to all involved. Jason was scheduled at 10:40 today. When he came in, he was more quiet than normal. I had Marcos in the patient immunization room finishing his statement. Jason was seen outside the room by Marcos acting like he was "peering in suspiciously" **Danielle Dulisse, PharmD - Pharmacy Manager #127 - Continued** 

according to Marcos. After receiving Marcos' statement, I called Jason into the warehouse managers office where Kira, Jim and I suspended Jason due to the ongoing investigation while Mike continued to review the video footage. When Kira asked Jason how the pills got into his pocket he still claimed he didn't know.

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# EXHIBIT 8 Case No. 22-501- RPH-N JASON BIGELOW, RPH.

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# EXHIBIT 9 Case No. 22-501- RPH-N JASON BIGELOW, RPH.



Employee Name: Jason Bigelow	Employee #: <u>631</u>	2135 Hire Date: 01/05/2021
Location Name & #: Carson City 127	72 Hour Resigna	tion Notice Given:
Effective Date: <u>12/06/2022</u>		Last Day Worked: <u>11/29/2022</u>
Termination/Resignation Reason(s):		
For good and sufficient cause, including but not -Serious Misconduct -Jeopardize Order/Safety -Disobedience of Company Rules	limited to, the following violatio	n(s) of company policy:
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## EXHIBIT 10 Case No. 22-501- RPH-N JASON BIGELOW, RPH.

## \*\*\* External Hard Drive \*\*\* Video Footage

# EXHIBIT 11 Case No. 22-501- RPH-N JASON BIGELOW, RPH.

### Statement of Marcos Rodriguez

I, Marcos Rodriguez, PT License #10814, make the following statement to NBOP investigator Monica S. Segedy. The following statement is true and accurate to the best of my recollection of events as they occurred:

I have been a Pharmacy Technician for approximately 12-13 years. I currently work as a Pharmacy Technician (PT) for Costco Pharmacy in Carson, City, NV.

On 11/28/2022 I worked the 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. shift at the Pharmacy, and I was primarily responsible for preparing and filling prescriptions, including CII prescriptions. Between 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. there was an incident in which six (6) tablets of Oxycodone went missing. To the best of my recollection these are the facts as they occurred on 11/28/2022:

There was a prescription for 120 tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone that was e-scripted into the pharmacy. In preparation for filling the script, I printed out a copy of the e-script and put it in the verification bin for RPH Jason Bigelow's review and verification.

RPh Bigelow verified the information then pulled an open stock bottle, and an unopened stock bottle, of 10 mg Oxycodone from the CII cage. The open bottle contained 74 tablets of Oxycodone, and the unopened bottle contained 100 tablets of Oxycodone. RPh Bigelow placed the Oxycodone bottles on the pharmacy counter for me to complete the fill. I took twenty (20) Oxycodone tablets from the opened stock bottle and placed them in a prescription vial. I back counted the remaining 10 mg Oxycodone tablets to be fifty-four (54). I documented this on the bottle cap of the open stock bottle, and then placed the unopened stock bottle containing 100 tablets of Oxycodone, along with the vial containing twenty (20) tablets Oxycodone, and the stock bottle containing the remaining fifty-four (54) tablets in the verification bin for RPh Bigelow to verify.

Approximately 15-20 minutes after putting the prescription into the verification bin, RPh Bigelow told me that I needed to do a recount, as there might be some tablets missing. I then recounted the tablets in the vial and determined there were only fourteen (14) tablets.

I let RPh Bigelow know that he was right and we were off by 6 tablets. So I did a recount of the vial and stock bottles to make sure. There were only fourteen (14) tablets in the vial so I had to count out 6 more tablets out of our stock bottle containing fifty-four (54) tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone. After adding the tablets to the vial and back counting it, the vial had 20 tablets now, and the open stock bottle had 48 tablets. I wrote that number (48) on the cap of the opened stock bottle. I then returned the prescription to the

verification bin. A bit later Jason stated that our 10mg Oxycodone count was off by 6. Sure I was a bit surprised since I thought I counted out twenty tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone the first time, but it does occasionally happen so I didn't think it was a big deal. I just thought it was an honest mistake from my end or Jasons. I second guessed myself and thought maybe I left six (6) tablets of Oxycodone in the counting tray, and that maybe they had been mixed with another patient's prescription. So I looked in some of the more recent scripts we had just filled to make sure they didn't get misplaced. The other employees overheard Jason and I talking about the missing tablets, so we informed them that we were short on the Oxycodone. Everyone began looking for the lost six tablets. We looked in trash bins and will-call bins, and we called recent patients to see if they had received unexpected medications with their prescription.

Around 3:00 p.m. Managing Pharmacist Danielle Dulisse returned to the pharmacy and learned of the shortage. RPh Dulisse was very concerned, and she began asking everyone to help her look for the lost tablets. RPh Bigelow left for lunch once RPh Dulisse returned. Prior to leaving for lunch, RPh Bigelow removed his lab coat, folded it, and placed it by his keyboard. Usually some of the pharmacists or technicians do this to save their spot at a station.

The missing tablets had not been located prior to the end of my shift at 4:30 pm. on 11/28/2022. Before leaving for the day, I removed my lab coat and hung it in the men's restroom.

I remember telling some of the techs and cashiers that we were wasting our time looking in the trash. Since at no time during my shift was there an incident in which a counting tray was spilled or knocked over to cause a loss of tablets on the floor, or elsewhere.

Upon returning to work a day or so later, I learned the missing tablets were found on RPh Bigelow, in his lab coat.

I have not seen or spoken to RPh Bigelow since the end of my shift on 11/28/2022
Signed:
Marcos Rodriguez, PT license #10814
Date: 12/14/2027

# EXHIBIT 12 Case No. 22-501- RPH-N JASON BIGELOW, RPH.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Monica Segedy Tuesday, December 13, 2022 2:26 PM

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Good Afternoon, Jason:

Thank you for meeting with us today. Attached is the Statement I have created as a result of our meeting. This is YOUR statement, so please feel free to make any changes or additions you see fit. Once you have completed the statement, please sign it and email back to me.

Thank You,

Monica S. Segedy Investigator Nevada State Board of Pharmacy msegedy@Pharmacy.nv.gov (775) 850-1440



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From: Sent: To: Subject:

Monica Segedy Wednesday, December 14, 2022 2:18 PM Jason Bigelow RE: Statement to NBOP

You will need to go through Costco's Loss Prevention Office.

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Monica Segedy Wednesday, December 14, 2022 2:22 PM Jason Bigelow Peter Keegan RE: Statement to NBOP

You have the right to retain legal counsel if you choose. I have included our legal counsel on this email so moving forward you and/or your attorney can communicate directly with him.

Thank you,

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### Peter Keegan

From:	Michael Tyler <mjtyler@costco.com></mjtyler@costco.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, December 20, 2022 8:19 AM
То:	Monica Segedy
Subject:	Re: Still Photos - NBOP Case #22-501

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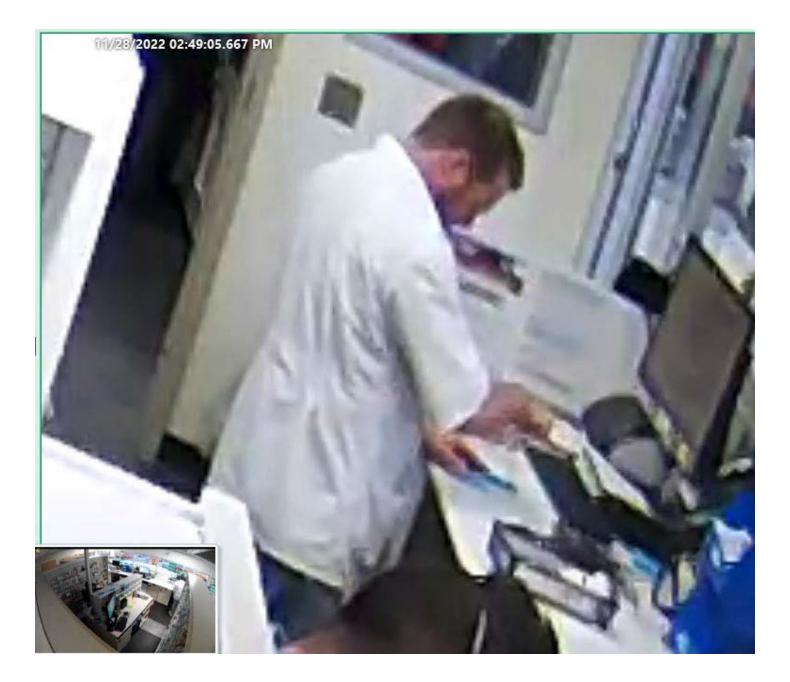














On Mon, Dec 19, 2022 at 12:51 PM Monica Segedy <<u>msegedy@pharmacy.nv.gov</u>> wrote:

Good afternoon, Mike:

Would you mind printing still photos from the 11/28/2022 video of the below time frames. I believe this is the time frame in which the tablets were moved to RPh Bigelow's pocket. I am sure the equipment you have to do this is much better than what I have. When I viewed the content I zoomed in on the Rx Drop off area where Bigelow was working. Print what you think is best and not too distorted.

### **Rx Back Island Left View**

2:36:30 - Rodriguez counts out 20 tablets

2:36:43 - Rodriguez pours the 20 tablets into an amber vial

## Rx Drop Off View

2:48:11 – Bigelow begins working on the black basket in question

#### Rx Drop Off View

2:48:19 - Bigelow returns to his workstation

2:48:22 – Bigelow scans the amber vial

2:48:23.558 – Bigelow opens the amber vial in his left hand. Counting tray is observed about 3 inches back from the counter's edge

2:48:25.808 – Counting tray is now flush with the countertop, at the very edge. The opened amber vial is still in Bigelow's left hand and up close to his left ear/face. Bigelow is fidgeting with his glasses.

2:48:27.457 – Bigelow starts to bend his head down toward the countertop

2:48:27.557 – Bigelow continues to bend forward while fidgeting with his glasses. The open amber vial remains in his left hand and leaning over the counting tray that his flush with the edge of the countertop.

2:48:28.257 – Bigelow puts the amber vial down onto the countertop with his left hand. Bigelow continues to fidget with his glasses and his face.

2:48:28.757 – Bigelow removes his glasses, rubs his eyes and nose with his right hand.

2:48:34.959 – Bigelow picks up the amber vial with this right hand and pours the contents into the counting tray. Bigelow puts his glasses back on.

2:48:54 – Bigelow retrieves a controlled substance from the CS safe under the counter and hands to a pharmacy technician.

2:49:01 – Bigelow returns to the counting tray which has now been moved closer towards to the center of the countertop. Note: The counting tray was untouched between 2:48:54 and 2:49:01. Bigelow begins counting the tablets in the tray.

2:49:05 – Bigelow completes counting the tablets in the tray, and then pours them back into the amber vial.

2:49:21 – Bigelow returns the amber vial, the open stock bottle, and the unopened stock bottle back to the black basket.

Thank you so much!

Moníca S. Segedy

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# EXHIBIT 16 Case No. 22-501- RPH-N JASON BIGELOW, RPH.

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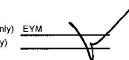
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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Thomas Finch Tuesday, November 24, 2020 4:21 PM Payroll 556MGR; Christopher Derosa Re: Final Dues - Jason Bigelow, EID 141938

Thank you,

Please proceed with the cash pay voucher.

Thomas K. Finch, PharmD, RPh Senior Director, Pharmacy Operations The Save Mart Companies P: (209) 574-6299 x5006 C: (209) 985-6720 <u>Thomas.Finch@SaveMart.com</u> TheSaveMartCompanies.com

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Hi there! His net will close to \$4500.00. Please advise what you would like for us to do.

From: Thomas Finch <Thomas.Finch@SaveMart.com> Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 3:17 PM To: Payroll <Payroll@SaveMart.com> Subject: Re: Final Dues - Jason Bigelow, EID 141938

Thank you,

Please see the Excel file, attached.

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Good afternoon Payroll team,

I am writing to request a Final Dues check for Jason Bigelow, EID 141938, pharmacy manager at store 556 Reno.

Please include 4 hours of show-up pay for tomorrow, Wednesday 11/25, when we will be separating him from the company. SM Chris DeRosa will be holding funds from tonight's bank drop for a cash payout.

Thanks,

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## Payroll

From:	Payroll
Sent:	Wednesday, November 25, 2020 7:49 AM
То:	556MGR
Subject:	141938-Jason Bigelow - CASH PAY
Attachments:	141938-EYM.xls
Importance:	High

Store Management:

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Attached, please find a Wages Paid Out form for your employee:

## RE: Jason Bigelow - EE# 141938

**Note:** We have made a process change. Please respond to this email within 24 hours notifying us that the Cash Pay has been given to the employee, or providing a status of the pay out.

## Please give date given.

Thank you, Erika Mc Daniel

# EXHIBIT 17 Case No. 22-501- RPH-N JASON BIGELOW, RPH.

## Save Mart #556 Reno NV – Pharmacy Investigation notes

## <u>July 21, 2020-</u>

- Notified by Thomas Finch, Senior director of Pharmacy for Reno NV of a shortage of Carisoprodol 350 mg pills
  - Began to gather invoices/dispensing information/on hand counts/schedules for pharmacy staff via email from Thomas
  - o Started to review video of delivery dates from McKesson
- Requested all communication to and from Thomas and the pharmacy since their discovery of the shortage
- Installed additional cameras within the pharmacy on Aug 20, 2020.

## **FINDINGS DURING INVESTIGATION:**

- June 25, 2020- pharmacy was made aware of a shortage of 3,527 Carisoprodol 350mg pills (Thomas notified Pharmacy Manager Jason Bigelow)
- o June 30, 2020- Thomas requests counts on the C3-C5's from Jason.
  - July 1<sup>st</sup>- Jason responded that he would probably have to do that when we returned from vacation. (Left for vacation on 7/4 and returned on 7/6. Shows no sense of urgency)
  - July 7<sup>th</sup>- Mary McDowell (Pharmacy Tech) emails Thomas asking for clarification of what is needed for the counts he asked from Jason
  - July 21<sup>st</sup>- Mary sent Thomas the counts he asked for on June 30<sup>th</sup>.
    - Unexplainable discrepancies were found in the following medication:
      - o Belbuca 450mcg films
      - o Buprenorphine 2mg tablet sl
      - Buprenorphine 8mg tablet sl
      - Carisoprodol 250mg tablet
      - Carisoprodol 350mg tablet
      - Temazepam 15mg capsule
      - Temazepam 30mg capsule
      - Temazepam 7.5mg capsule
- July 29, 2020- Pharmacy Manager Jason Bigelow sent the DEA-106 form (35 days after the original discovery of the shortage)
  - 7/29/2020- DEA-106 form sent was not filled out correctly (missing purchase value of controlled substance taken and only listed the Carisoprodol as missing)
    - *Policy* 4.1.4

- o Reporting of theft or loss of controlled substance
- Report should be filled out/submitted to local DEA with 30 days of discovery
- TOTAL REPORTED MISSING
  - o 3527 Carisoprodols 350mg
- 8/21/2020- DEA-106 sent by Thomas Finch-
  - TOTAL REPORTED MISSING
    - o 4572 Carisoprodols 350mg
    - o 235 Carisoprodol 250mg
    - o 30 Belbuca 300mcg film
    - o 91 Belbuca 450mcg film
    - o 33 Buprenorphine 2mg tablets
    - o 377 Buprenorphine 8mg tablets
    - o 309 Temazepam 30mg
    - o 30 Temazepam 7.5mg
- 9/4/2020- DEA-106 sent by Thomas Finch
  - TOTAL REPORTED MISSING
    - o NO NEW LOSS
- 9/21/2020- DEA-106 sent by Thomas Finch
  - TOTAL REPORTED MISSING
    - o 180 Buprenorphine 8mg
    - o 15 Carisoprodol 250mg
    - o 110 Carisoprodol 350mg
    - o 7 Temazepam 30mg
    - o 1 Temazepam 7.5mg
- 10/16/2020- DEA-106 sent by Thomas Finch

## • TOTAL REPORTED MISSING

- o 2 Buprenorphine 8mg
- While reviewing the ordering/delivery/ invoice paperwork of the meds in question dating back to February 2020, I found the following:
  - All orders that were started/opened either in the morning and closed/sent at the end of the day or started/opened in the morning and closed/sent the following day/a few days later. EXCEPT one order.

- There was an order opened on 6/28/2020 @6:00pm and closed @6:03pm the same night. (order only consisted of a 200 count bottle of Carisoprodol 350mg)
  - Reviewed video- Pharmacy Manager Jason Bigelow is seen picking up his phone and typing something at 6:00pm. A customer walks up to the counter, Jason puts his phone down, walks over and helps customer then returns to his phone and types something then sets the phone down @ 6:03pm. There was no other employee in the pharmacy, no other employee at a computer in the pharmacy to have made that order.
    - O Copies of the invoices/orders of Carisoprodol available for review. (video was not able to be preserved)
- Obtained reconciliation/inventory counts of all C3-C5s (copies of all counts are available)
  - 6/28/2020- Johnny completed count of C3-C5s
  - 7/10/2020- Bill (Staff Pharmacist) and Mary completed a reconciliation count of all C3-C5s
  - 7/20/2020- Mary and Jason completed count on Buprenorphin 8 mg, Temazepam 30mg and Carisoprodol 350mg
  - 8/21/2020- Bill completed counts on Belbuca 450mcg, Buprenorphin 2mg/8mg, Carisoprodol 250mg/350mg and Temazepam 15mg/30mg/7.5mg
  - 9/17/2020- Bill completed counts on the meds above
  - 9/21/2020- Mary completed counts on the meds above
  - 9/29/2020- Mary and Kate Bryte(Regional Loss Prevention Manager) completed counts on the meds above
  - 10/8/2020-Bill completed counts on the meds above
  - 10/12/2020- Jason scanned in Perpetual inventory sheet for Carisoprodol
  - 10/13/2020- Bill completed counts on the meds above.
  - 11/14/2020- currently waiting for paperwork with updated count
- As of 10/8/2020, Save Mart Pharmacy 556 Reno NV is missing the following:

•	Belbuca 300 mcg Film	\$442
•	Belbuca 450 mcg Film	\$1348
•	Buprenorphine 2 mg Tablet SL 33 tablets	\$200
•	Buprenorphine 8 mg Tablet SL	\$5012
•	Carisoprodol 250 mg Tablet	\$903
•	Carisoprodol 350 mg Tablet	\$3933

- (retail cost/charged to insurance companies) \$12,667 TOTAL LOSS
- (street value) **\$59,349 TOTAL LOSS**
- Scheduled interviews with pharmacy staff:
  - Vanessa Weber #109728 Tech Wednesday 10/28/2020 @ 1100hrs
  - Robert (Max) Thomsen #140572 Tech Wednesday 10/28/2020 @ 1430hrs
  - Mary McDowell #131375 Cert Tech Thursday 10/29/2020 @ 1130hrs
  - John Breen #129736 Tech Thursday 10/29/2020 @1400hrs
  - William Ruebusch #142882 Staff Pharmacist Friday 10/30/2020 @ 1000hrs
  - Jason Bigelow #141938 Pharmacy Manager Friday 10/30/2020 @ 1130hrs
- See individual reports for detailed interview with each.

# EXHIBIT 18 Case No. 22-501- RPH-N JASON BIGELOW, RPH.

\*\*\*Costco Pharmacist Smock\*\*\*



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From: bill ruebusch hotmail.com Date: December 11, 2022 at 3:11:17 PM PST To: @icloud.com Subject: grammatically correct version

To the members of the board:

I am writing regarding the incident that took place at Costco Pharmacy on Monday November the 28th. The pharmacy was extremely busy, and while recounting a prescription for oxycodone, Jason Bigelow noticed that six tablets were missing from the patient's prescription. At that point he checked his smock pockets to be sure that no pills rolled off the counter and into his smock. He sent the fill back to the technician to recount and correct. When the prescription returned to him, the bottle count was correct, but the stock count was off. At that point, Jason performed a recount again, then checked the other scripts which had previously been filled for oxycodone, going so far as to phone two patients who had already picked up their scripts so he could verify their pill quantities. He also ran a report of all the prescriptions which were checked before and after the miscounted rx, and we checked those stock bottles and called patients who had gotten those prescriptions to be certain that they hadn't received any incorrect pills.

Danielle, the pharmacy manager, tried to look at the film to see if she could tell what had happened with the pills, since no one was able to find them. Unfortunately, film was unavailable, and the staff continued trying to figure out where the pills were, since we all knew that the counts had been correct earlier in the day. In desperation, Danielle told everyone in the pharmacy to remove their smocks and empty the pockets, which we all did. Jason found the pills in the *top* pocket of his smock, and was as surprised as everyone else to find

them there.

I know that in the past, whenever we thought that there might be a problem with our perpetual inventory, Jason is always the one who was most concerned and intent on finding why the count was off until we could find the outstanding prescriptions. You should also be aware that had he wanted to take any tablets, he could have removed them from the patient's bottle- the perpetual inventory would have been correct and no one would have ever known. I have worked with Jason for almost ten years, and I know him to be a good and knowledgeable pharmacist whom coworkers and customers like and trust.

If I can answer any questions or provide any help, please let me know.

Respectfully,

**Bill Ruebusch** 

Fwd:

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#### Statement of Marcos Rodriguez

 Marcos Rodriguez, PT License #10814, make the following statement to NBOP investigator Monica S. Segedy. The following statement is true and accurate to the best of my recollection of events as they occurred:

I have been a Pharmacy Technician for approximately 12-13 years. I currently work as a Pharmacy Technician (PT) for Costco Pharmacy in Carson, City, NV.

On 11/28/2022 I worked the 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. shift at the Pharmacy, and I was primarily responsible for preparing and filling prescriptions, including CII prescriptions. Between 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. there was an incident in which six (6) tablets of

Oxycodone went missing. To the best of my recollection these are the facts as they occurred on 11/28/2022:

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There was a prescription for 120 tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone that was e-scripted into the pharmacy. In preparation for filling the script, I printed out a copy of the e-script and put it in the verification bin for RPH Jason Bigelow's review and verification.

- RPh-Bigelow verified the information then pulled an open stock bottle, and an unopened - stock bottle; of 10 mg Oxycodone from the CII cage. The open bottle contained 74 tablets of Oxycodone, and the unopened bottle contained 100 tablets of Oxycodone. RPh Bigelow placed the Oxycodone bottles on the pharmacy counter for me to complete the fill. I took twenty (20) Oxycodone tablets from the opened stock bottle and placed them in a prescription vial. I back counted the remaining 10 mg Oxycodone tablets to be fifty-four (54). I documented this on the bottle cap of the open stock bottle, and then placed the unopened stock bottle containing 100 tablets of Oxycodone, along with the vial containing twenty (20) tablets Oxycodone, and the stock bottle containing the remaining fifty-four (54) tablets in the verification bin for RPh Bigelow to verify.

Approximately 15-20 minutes after putting the prescription into the verification bin, RPh Bigelow told me that I needed to do a recount, as there might be some tablets missing. I then recounted the tablets in the vial and determined there were only fourteen (14) tablets.

I let RPh Bigelow know that he was right and we were off by 6 tablets. So I did a recount of the vial and stock bottles to make sure. There were only fourteen (14) tablets in the vial so I had to count out 6 more tablets out of our stock bottle containing fifty-four (54) tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone. After adding the tablets to the vial and back counting it, the vial had 20 tablets now, and the open stock bottle had 48 tablets. I wrote that number (48) on the cap of the opened stock bottle. I then returned the prescription to the

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verification bin. A bit later Jason stated that our 10mg Oxycodone count was off by 6. Sure I was a bit surprised since I thought I counted out twenty tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone the first time, but it does occasionally happen so I didn't think it was a big deal. I just thought it was an honest mistake from my end or Jasons. I second guessed myself and thought maybe I left six (6) tablets of Oxycodone in the counting tray, and that maybe they had been mixed with another patient's prescription. So I looked in some of the more recent scripts we had just filled to make sure they didn't get misplaced. The other employees overheard Jason and I talking about the missing tablets, so we informed them that we ware chort on the Oxymptice for the more recent scripts we had the formed them that we ware chort on the Oxymptice formed formed them that we ware chort on the Oxymptice formed formed them that we ware chort on the Oxymptice formed formed them that we ware chort on the Oxymptice formed formed them that we have a state of the oxymptice formed formed formed formed them that we ware chort on the Oxymptice formed formed

\_\_\_\_so we informed them that we were short on the Oxycodone. Everyone began looking for the lost six tablets. We looked in trash bins and will-call bins, and we called recent \_\_\_\_patients to see if they had received unexpected medications with their prescription.

Around 3:00 p.m. Managing Pharmacist Danielle Dulisse returned to the pharmacy and learned of the shortage. RPh Dulisse was very concerned, and she began asking everyone to help her look for the lost tablets. RPh Bigelow left for lunch once RPh Dulisse returned. Prior to leaving for lunch, RPh Bigelow removed his lab coat, folded it, and placed it by his keyboard. Usually some of the pharmacists or technicians do this to save their spot at a station.

The missing tablets had not been located prior to the end of my shift at 4:30 pm. on  $\frac{11}{28}/2022$ . Before leaving for the day, I removed my lab coat and hung it in the men's restroom.

I remember telling some of the techs and cashiers that we were wasting our time looking in the trash. Since at no time during my shift was there an incident in which a counting tray was spilled or knocked over to cause a loss of tablets on the floor, or elsewhere.

.Upon returning to work a day or so later, I learned the missing tablets were found on RPh Bigelow, in his lab coat.

Date: 12/14/2027

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### **Monica Segedy**

From: Sent: To: Subject: Monica Segedy Monday, December 12, 2022 4:40 PM Marcos Rodriguez RE: Updated Statement

Thank You Marcos. Will you please sign and return to me.

Monica S. Segedy Investigator Nevada State Board of Pharmacy msegedy@Pharmacy.nv.gov (775) 850-1440



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From: Marcos Rodriguez < @@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, December 12, 2022 3:43 PM To: Monica Segedy <msegedy@pharmacy.nv.gov> Subject: Updated Statement

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Hello,

Here is a better version of my revised statement. Let me know if it works and I will sign it as soon as I can today.

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#### **Monica Segedy**

From: Sent: To: Subject: Marcos Rodriguez < @gmail.com> Monday, December 12, 2022 12:14 PM Monica Segedy Re: Statement

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Hello Monica,

I apologize for the delay. I went over the statement and I think I do want to make some changes.

"RPh Bigelow gave me the open stock bottle containing fifty-four

(54) tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone and told me to add six more tablets to the vial. I did as

instructed, conducted a back count of the Oxycodone from the open stock bottle, and wrote the remaining number of tablets (48) on the cap of the opened stock bottle."

In this top section Jason never told me to add six more tablets. He told me to recount the vial of 20 because we might be off and then yes I noticed we were off by 6 tablets but at no point did he hand me the bottle and say to take 6 tablets out. So can we please fix that. I did count 14 in the vial so I had to count out 6 more tablets from our stock bottle. Then I did a backcount of the stock bottle which was 48 and wrote that on the cap.

"I then returned the prescription to the verification bin. A bit later RPh Bigelow stated that our 10 mg Oxycodone count was "six off." I was a bit confused since I thought I counted out twenty tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone the first time, but it does occasionally happen so I didn't really make anything of it, other than a mistake on my end or Jasons. I second guessed myself and thought maybe I left six (6) tablets of Oxycodone in the

counting tray, and that maybe they had been mixed with another patient's prescription.

I double checked all the prescriptions filled immediately after the 120 tablet Oxycodone

fill. The other employees overheard Jason and I talking about the missing tablets, so we informed them that the Oxycodone count was short. Everyone began looking for the lost six tablets. We looked in trash bins and will-call bins, and we called

recent patients to see if they had received unexpected medications with their prescription."

Ok, then in the section I don't want to use "rph bigelow did not seem concerned." and I also made some changes that I think are more along the lines of what I said, or tried to explain.

I'll stay close to my email today so I can sign the final version.

Thank you, Marcos.

On Tue, Dec 6, 2022 at 2:40 PM Monica Segedy <<u>msegedy@pharmacy.nv.gov</u>> wrote:

Good afternoon, Marcos:

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## **Monica Segedy**

From:	Monica Segedy
Sent:	Tuesday, December 06, 2022 2:40 PM
То:	@gmail.com
Subject:	Statement
Attachments:	22-501 Rodriguez statement.docx

Good afternoon, Marcos:

Thank you for meeting with me today. Attached is a statement I have prepared based on the information you provided. Please feel free to make any corrections, additions, or deletions. This is YOUR statement, and I want it to be accurate. If you have corrections, let me know. I will make the needed changes and then send back to you. If you are comfortable with the statement as it reads, please sign, and date it and return to me via email.

Thank you so much for your cooperation,

Monica S. Segedy Investigator Nevada State Board of Pharmacy msegedy@Pharmacy.nv.gov (775) 850-1440



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I, Marcos Rodriguez, PT License #10814, make the following statement to NBOP investigator Monica S. Segedy. The following statement is true and accurate to the best of my recollection of events as they occurred:

I have been a Pharmacy Technician for approximately 12-13 years. I currently work as a Pharmacy Technician (PT) for Costco Pharmacy in Carson, City, NV.

On 11/28/2022 I worked the 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. shift at the Pharmacy, and I was primarily responsible for preparing and filling prescriptions, including CII prescriptions. Between 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. there was an incident in which six (6) tablets of Oxycodone went missing. To the best of my recollection these are the facts as they occurred on 11/28/2022:

There was a prescription for 120 tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone that was e-scripted into the pharmacy. In preparation for filling the script, I printed out a copy of the e-script and put it in the verification bin for RPH Jason Bigelow's review and verification.

RPh Bigelow verified the information then pulled an open stock bottle, and an unopened stock bottle, of 10 mg Oxycodone from the CII cage. The open bottle contained 74 tablets of Oxycodone, and the unopened bottle contained 100 tablets of Oxycodone. RPh Bigelow placed the Oxycodone bottles on the pharmacy counter for me to complete the fill. I took twenty (20) Oxycodone tablets from the opened stock bottle and placed them in a prescription vial. I back counted the remaining 10 mg Oxycodone tablets to be fifty-four (54). I documented this on the bottle cap of the open stock bottle, and then placed the unopened stock bottle containing 100 tablets of Oxycodone, along with the vial containing twenty (20) tablets Oxycodone, and the stock bottle containing the remaining fifty-four (54) tablets in the verification bin for RPh Bigelow to verify.

Approximately 15-20 minutes after putting the prescription into the verification bin, RPh Bigelow told me that I needed to do a recount, as there were "tabs missing." I then recounted the tablets in the vial and determined there were only fourteen (14) tablets.

I approached RPh Bigelow, told him I did a recount and that there were only fourteen (14) tablets in the vial. RPh Bigelow gave me the open stock bottle containing fifty-four (54) tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone and told me to add six more tablet to the vial. I did as instructed, conducted a back count of the Oxycodone from the open stock bottle, and

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wrote the remaining number of tablets (48) on the cap of the opened stock bottle. I then returned the prescription to the verification bin at which time RPh Bigelow sated now the 10 mg Oxycodone count was "six off." I was surprised and confused by these events as I know I counted out twenty tablets of 10 mg Oxycodone the first time. I second guessed myself and thought maybe I left six (6) tablets of Oxycodone in the counting tray, and that maybe they had been mixed with another patient's prescription. I double checked all the prescriptions filled immediately after the 120 tablet Oxycodone fill, and I told other employees that the Oxycodone count was short. Everyone began looking for the lost six tablets. We looked in trash bins and will-call bins, and we called recent patients to see if they had received unexpected medications with their prescription. During all of this, RPh Bigelow did not seemed concerned.

Around 3:00 p.m. Managing Pharmacist Danielle Dulisse returned to the pharmacy from lunch and learned of the shortage. RPh Dulisse was very concerned, and she began asking everyone to help her look for the lost tablets. I thought it was odd that RPh Bigelow was not concerned about the loss and again I second guessed myself as to why I was so concerned, when RPh Bigelow seemed unaffected. RPh Bigelow left for lunch after RPh Dulisse returned from lunch, without notifying her of the lost tablets. Prior to leaving for lunch, RPh Bigelow removed his lab coat, folded it, and placed it by his keyboard.

The missing tablets had not been located prior to the end of my shift at 4:30 pm. on 11/28/2022. Before leaving for the day, I removed my lab coat and hung it in the men's restroom.

At no time during my shift was there any incident in which a counting tray was spilled or knocked over to cause a loss of tablets on the floor, or elsewhere. So, the whole time we were looking in trash bins, I knew we would not find them.

Upon returning to work a day or so later, I learned the missing tablets were found on RPh Bigelow, in his lab coat.

I have not seen or spoken to RPh Bigelow since the end of my shift on 11/28/2022.

Signed: \_\_\_\_

Marcos Rodriguez, PT license #10814

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The day of 11/28 I was in the filling station. At around 2pm I got an Oxycodone to fill for 120 tablets. I handed the RX image in a tote to the rph to get the meds for me. I received 2 oxycodone bottles. One was a closed 100 count and one was open with 74 tablets. I proceeded like normal. I had a bottle of 74 tablets of oxycodone, so I double counted 20 tablets from that bottle. Then I double counted what remained in the bottle which was 54. I wrote down 54 on the bottle cap. I left the closed bottle of 100 tablets in the same tote the image was in and placed it in the verification bins for the rph. I continued to fill other scripts and after a little while Jason brought the tote back to me and said that I should recount the prescription bottle because he only counted 14. So of course I did, I double counted everything again and there was only 14 in the rx bottle. After adding 6 more tablets to make 20, the stock bottle back count was now 48. Of course thinking we lost them we began to look around for it. Some of the other employees tried helping. Shortly after, Jason went to lunch. I figured there really wasn't an issue since he left to lunch so I stopped looking. Then we he came back from lunch that's when we got Danielle involved in the situation.

11/29/28

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1	DECLARATION OF ROBBIN LYNN CONNOLLY		
2 3	STATE OF NEVADA ) ) ss		
4	COUNTY OF WASHOE )		
5 6	I, ROBBIN LYNN CONNOLLY, do hereby state under penalty of perjury under the law		
7	of State of Nevada that the assertions of this declaration are true and correct to the best		
	of my knowledge and belief. I submit this declaration pursuant to NRS 53.045.		
	1. I was served on June 30, 2023 with a Subpoena to Testify at this		
	Administrative Hearing. Unfortunately, I had already made plans to visit my daughter in		
	Southern California on the day scheduled for the hearing and, thus, I will be physically		
	unable to attend in person.		
	2. I am employed as a pharmacy technician at the Costco Pharmacy, located at		
	700 Old Clear Creek Rd., in Carson City. I have worked at Costco for approximately 2 years.		
	3. I was working at Costco with Jason Bigelow on November 28, 2022 and was		
	present during many of the events at issue in this case.		
	4. On December 11, 2022, I submitted a written statement to the Board of		
	Pharmacy regarding my knowledge of the events at issue. Attached hereto as <b>Exhibit 1</b> is		
	a true and correct copy of the statement I prepared and submitted. I was under no duress		
	or other coercion in preparing this statement, and did so voluntarily and of my own free		
	will. The statements contained in my December 11, 2022 statement are true and correct,		
	and I believe the same to be so to this day.		
	5. I have worked with Jason Bigelow for approximately 2 years while at Costco.		
	I have never witnessed him to be unprofessional. I believe he is extremely knowledgeable		
	and trustworthy. The Pharmacy was always ran well when he was in charge because of his		
	calm authority.		
	6. Regarding the incident in question, I was not initially involved when the		
	missing oxycodone tablets were discovered by Jason Bigelow and Marcos Rodriguez. I was,		
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however, working in close proximity to Jason and Marcos and could hear what they were
talking about. I know that when Jason counted the tablets for the order in question, his
count came short by 6 tablets and he sent the order back to Marcos to do a recount. I
understand that when Marcos recounted, he confirmed the order was short 6 tablets and
added 6 more tablets from the opened stock bottle to complete the order, which meant
that the opened stock bottle was now 6 tablets short. I know there were several recounts
completed by Jason and Marcos, which all came back with the same result.

7. I was standing in close proximity to Jason after they had completed their
recounts and he made it very clear to all employees in the immediate vicinity that we were
somehow missing 6 tablets. We stopped filling any prescriptions for Oxycodone and I
immediately began looking for the missing tablets around the Pharmacy, as well as did
Marcos, Jason, and Bill Ruebusch. We continued looking for the next 15 to 20 minutes,
until Jason had to take his mandatory lunch break. When Jason returned from his lunch
break, we continued searching for the missing tablets.

8. At no point did I observe Jason acting in a suspicious manner, or in any way
that suggested to me he was hiding anything.

9. I understand that the missing tablets were ultimately found in Jason's top
smock pocket; however, I have no reason to believe the tablets were put there
intentionally. Rather, I believe this was an accident. The Pharmacy was very busy during
the events in question and sometimes accidents happen.

10. I do not believe Jason attempted to steal the 6 missing tablets, as his conduct
was utterly inconsistent with someone who was trying to steal. A thief does not alert
everyone that an item is missing, help look for it, and do all of this while on camera. There
is no doubt in my mind that Jason did nothing wrong. He is a man of integrity and would
never put his job, our jobs, or our Pharmacy as risk.

11. I was never interviewed by anyone from Costco or the Board of Pharmacy
regarding this matter.

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1	I DECLARE UNDER THE PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND
2	CORRECT.
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# **EXHIBIT 1**

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Robbin Connolly < @gmail.com> Date: December 11, 2022 at 11:11:07 AM PST To: jaesin3@icloud.com Subject: Character letter for BOP

To: Nevada Board of Pharmacy

Re: Jason Bigelow

My name is Robbin Connolly. I am a pharmacy technician at the Costco Pharmacy in Carson City store #0127.

I have worked with Jason for about 2 years. He is a very professional and competent pharmacist. I have never witnessed him being unprofessional to a patient or employee. The Pharmacy always ran well when he was in charge because of his calm authority. He is extremely knowledgeable and that makes him trustworthy. His first concern is always the patients and he treated even the most difficult with respect.

During the drug shortage we are experiencing he spent extra time and effort navigating the Costco controlled drug ordering system so our patients would get the drugs they need.

Regarding the incident you are investigating, I did not witness it, but was working in close proximity with my back to Jason and Marcos. Jason had Marcos recount because he was 6 tablets short on his count. When Jason recounted, it was still 6 short. He immediately said there were 6 tablets missing and I stopped what I was doing and started looking. Jason also was looking and reported them as soon as they were found.

Because we are the only Pharmacy in our area with access to narcotics, we are under a tremendous amount of stress. The patients all want them right away, and many times we don't have enough staff. It is the perfect scenario for accidents to happen. And that is what this was, an accident. A thief doesn't alert everyone that an item is missing, help look for it, and do all this while on camera. There is no doubt in my mind that Jason did nothing wrong. He is a man of integrity and would never put his job, our jobs, or our Pharmacy at risk.

While getting to know Jason as a co-worker, I came to realize he lives his life with integrity and kindness. He is also a very intelligent man. He has worked hard for his many achievements and would not jeopardize that by doing something illegal.

I hope this letter helps you to see what kind of man Jason is. If I owned a Pharmacy, I would feel very fortunate to have him manage it.

Sincerely,

Robbin Connolly

To the Board of Pharmacy,

My name I Jacob Fleenor, I am a phamacy technician and have been for a number of years. I have known and worked with Jason D. Bigelow for almost two years. In that time I have gotten to know him not just as a pharmacist but as a person and Jason is by far one of the best pharmacists that I have had the pleasure of working with. Patient care is always at the forefront of his mind even if it isn't what the patient wants to hear, Jason cares about their saftey and well being above all else. For myself, Jason is more than just a "work friend" or "work associate" he is an actual friend that I would trust with my own saftey and the saftey of my family.

His ethics and profesionalism aside its ludacris to think that he would try and steal any kind of medication let alone a controlled substance. If he had intentionally taken the medication there is no logical reason as to why he would let the pharmacy manger know about the shortage, in addition to having all the technicians back tracking other prescriptions that were filled with the medication to try and find its location. A guilty party would not draw attention to the crime. It was only after all other possible ideas were exhausted, that at the jest of another pharmacy employee they half jokingly suggested that we all check our smock pockets. It was at this point with genuine shock on his face that Jason found the missing tablets in his smock pocket.

We have all 'stumbled' when trying to juggle multiple tasks at once as Jason was doing at the time and I truly believe that it was an absent minded gesture that the medication was placed in his pocket, more than likely with a pen that was in his hand at the same time. As improbable as it may seem, this in my opinion, was an accident and no ill inetnet was meant. Everyone makes mistakes, no one is perfect and while we in the medical field are held to a higher standard, everyone deserves a second chance. No one deserves to have their life ruined for something that was never actually stolen or would have even been able to leave the pharmacy.

Jacob Fleenor

Bigelow0060

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To Whom it may concern,

I am delighted to write a character reference letter for Jason. I have had the pleasure of knowing and working with him for a year now as a coworker and friend. He has been a close friend to me and my family since I started at Costco pharmacy. I have witnessed him growing as an intelligent, talented, trustworthy, and responsible pharmacist. Jason has always displayed a high degree of integrity, responsibility, and ambition. Jason has excellent communication skills. Furthermore, he has a great ability to interact effectively and efficiently with his teammates and patients and he always ensures that the work is getting done. I know that he would never let anything cloud his judgment when it comes to the love of being a pharmacist and his license. He was honest and forthcoming with information when the incident happened which I commend.

Sincerely,

Theodore Stuart

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To Whom It May Concern:

I will stick to the facts: I have worked with Jason Bigelow for the past year in a professional capacity in the pharmacy. In that time frame I have seen Jason B. in the scope of varying levels of pressure from many varying angles. The most obvious trait that I see is his consistency in adhering to the Nevada state laws and regulations for pharmacies. In all situations, regardless of pressure, Jason's goal has been to adhere to these rules and policies in order to maintain professionalism and safety for both workers and patients. In the entire year that I have worked with him I have seen Jason strive to comply with all policies that have been made and passed down regardless of personal opinion. I have never seen him attempt to make things more convenient or try to bend or abuse rules for personal satisfaction or vindication. He is an honest and earnest worker who seeks to perform his job not only well but also fairly. He has never missed an opportunity to educate a patient about how to properly use their medications.

I refuse to believe that Jason had any intent to subvert drugs of any kind from the pharmacy in question. I also believe that it would be an utter waste to suspend or remove his license in any fashion. Not only would this be unfair it would also be a waste of an experienced pharmacist who has strived to continue his knowledge and education for the betterment of the Nevadan community. I am aware that I have no power in the proceedings or the determination of the case. However, I still hope that my testimony of observing his diligence and desire to comply with the laws and regulations of Nevadan pharmaceutical work might still be conveyed.

Sincerely,

Marlan Jongsma Pharmacy Technician License#: PT26093

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Troy Henry < @gmail.com> Date: May 16, 2023 at 2:19:42 PM MDT To: jaesin3@icloud.com Subject: reference

Re: Nevada State Board of Pharmacology From: Troy Henry May 15,2023

To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing this letter as a character endorsement on behalf of my friend of over 10 years, Jason Bigelow. I have carefully read the allegations that the Board have made against him, referencing the event of missing drugs that occurred during his oversight on November 28, 2022 at Costco Pharmacy #127. I truly appreciate the deliberations and decisions that your Board needs to make in order to protect the safety of all individuals seeking medical care. Furthermore, considering the National opioid epidemic, and the many lives that have been lost to abuse of prescription drugs over the last few years, it is understandable that the Board of Pharmacology needs to pursue the strictest measures to insure the laws and guidelines are upheld by every practitioner in this science.

Understanding this, I would ask you to read my understanding of Mr Bigelow and his character and reconsider your decision to revoke his license. As I have stated, I have know Jason for over 10 years. I met Jason after my divorce with my wife, Adrienne. They began dating and, as a father of a young girl, my daughter Indigo, I was hesitant to have any other man aside from myself in her presence. However, Jason became a superb guardian of her. He was infinitely protective and caring and he never overstepped my fatherhood. We eventually became friends and our friendship has continued to this day.

Over the years, Jason and I have been partners in half marathon events and gym partners. He is very health conscious. This is something that I appreciate about him. We both appreciate vitality and good health. Furthermore, I have never witnessed Jason engage in drug use, or alcohol abuse. Nor is Jason a thief. This is just not who he is.

I understand that the circumstances that surround the events of November 28, 2022 may look suspicious to the eyes of those guarding the integrity of the pharmacology industry, but I believe these suspicions do not align with the person I know. And I plead with you to consider any other possible explanations for the events of this day, considering that Jason's future in this field is in jeopardy. He's a good person and I believe he should remain a pharmacist.

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In conclusion, please reach out to me via text, phone or email if you would like further elaboration.



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From:Jason BigelowSent:Tuesday, May 16, 2023 1:40 PMTo:Chris RusbySubject:Fwd: Character referenceAttachments:JDB Character Reference.docx; Untitled attachment 13041.htm

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

#### May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Nevada State Board of Pharmacy

Subject: Character reference for Jason Dean Bigelow

Dear Sir or Madam,

My name is Daniel Helt, I am the Vice President of Real Estate Sales for Mission Federal Credit Union. We are the largest San Diego only credit union, serving 300,000 members with over \$6 billion in assets. As a credit union we are a not-for-profit institution dedicated to serving & improving the financial lives of our members.

I met Jason in Salt Lake City, Utah in 1995 and have been friends with him ever since. We keep in touch regularly via phone, email, text and occasionally travelling to spend time in person. As such we have been active parts of each other's lives and dependable friends for almost 30 years.

I understand the issue before the Board of Pharmacy is a serious matter, and the things of which he is accused do not in any way resemble the Jason I know. I can't help but think there must be a misunderstanding as these charges are very out of character for Jason.

As long as I've been friends with Jason I've known him to be an ethical, moral, honest and trustworthy person. I also know him to be a dedicated husband, son, brother and confidant to his friends and family. During our early 20s Jason was the first among our friend group to graduate college and the first to pursue and attain a serious career. Along the way he encouraged all of us to get serious about our careers and focus on the future. I know Jason specifically chose pharmacy since he saw that as a way he could give back to and make a difference in the communities in which he lives. I know how devastated he has been to receive this complaint and now charges, wanting nothing more than to clear his good name so he can return to doing what he loves, which is serving the community.

If you need any further information regarding Jason's character or require me to appear before the Board of Pharmacy to verify the information I have provided here, please feel free to contact me at 801-699-2058.

Sincerely,

Dan Helt

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jason Bigelow · @@icloud.com> on behalf of Jason Bigelow Tuesday, May 16, 2023 2:08 PM Chris Rusby Fwd: revision Jason

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Troy Henry < @gmail.com> Date: May 16, 2023 at 2:52:52 PM MDT To: jaesin3@icloud.com Subject: revision

May 15, 2023

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Understanding this, I would like to present my understanding of Mr. Bigelow and his character, and respectfully request you to reconsider your decision to revoke his license. As I have mentioned, I have known Jason for over 10 years. I met Jason after my divorce from my wife, Adrienne. They began dating, and as a father of a young girl, my daughter Indigo, I was hesitant to have any other man aside from myself in her presence. However, Jason proved to be a superb guardian for her. He was infinitely protective and caring, and he never overstepped my role as her father. Eventually, we became friends, and our friendship has continued to this day.

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I understand that the circumstances surrounding the events of November 28, 2022, may appear suspicious to those guarding the integrity of the pharmacology industry. However, I believe these suspicions do not align with the person I know, and I plead with you to consider any other possible explanations for the events of that day, especially considering that Jason's future in this field is in jeopardy. He is a good person, and I firmly believe he should be allowed to continue practicing as a pharmacist.

In conclusion, please feel free to reach out to me via text, phone, or email if you would like further elaboration.

Respectfully, Troy Henry

@gmail.com 775-722-0554

Here is a revised copy. it is better

From:Jason Bigelow < @icloud.com> on behalf of Jason BigelowSent:Friday, May 19, 2023 4:19 PMTo:Chris RusbySubject:Fwd: Letter Jason BigelowAttachments:Jason's letter2.docx; Untitled attachment 105381.htm

Letter from my former tech

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Johnny Breen < @gmail.com> Date: May 19, 2023 at 5:04:45 PM MDT To: @icloud.com Subject: Letter

It's the letter

To whom it may concern,

My name is Johnny Breen and I am currently a pharmacy technician working in Reno, Nevada (License# PT13560). I'm writing this letter to hopefully provide more insight on the decision the board is going to make regarding Jason Bigelow's pharmacist license (Case# 22-501-RPH-N)

I worked at Savemart Pharmacy with Jason for about six years, and I can easily say he was the best pharmacy manager I've ever worked under in retail. Not only did he fix all the organization and sales issues that his predecessor left behind, he also facilitated an extremely collaborative and healthy work environment and culture that ended as soon as his replacement started.

In the time that Jason was managing the pharmacy, our patients were happier, everything was generally more organized, and there was a strong sense of comradery between the techs and pharmacists. I've been a technician for nearly ten years, and I've met a lot of pharmacists. Jason stands as one of the best I've ever worked with, not only because he gets things done, but because he's genuine and friendly. He's also thorough, hardworking, and has all the integrity in the world.

One more thing I wanted to mention was that in Jason's court hearing letter from the board, it says that he was terminated from Savemart on suspicion of diverted substances. From what I was told and understood of the situation, this was actually regarding a form for the DEA that was allegedly not sent in on time. While the situation with the missing medications is as serious as things get within our line of work, the investigation was inconclusive. With that being said, I honestly believe that he had nothing to do with the missing meds. I know that doesn't really carry any weight at this point, but I want to vouch for a good pharmacist and a good man that seems like he's been in the wrong place at the wrong time more often than not.

If you have any questions for me, feel free to email me at johnnybreen7979@gmail.com

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jason Bigelow (@@@@icloud.com> on behalf of Jason Bigelow Friday, May 26, 2023 2:13 PM Chris Rusby Fwd: Character Letter Jason Bigelow

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Orrie Holcomb < @esilvermt.com> Date: May 26, 2023 at 2:07:48 PM PDT To: @esilverm@icloud.com Subject: Character Letter

**Orrie Kostelich** 



05/25/2023

Dear NV Board of Pharmacy,

Hello, my name is Orrie Kostelich and I had the pleasure of working with Jason Bigelow at The Savemart Pharmacy on Plumb Lane in Reno, NV. Jason was my pharmacy manager and a great mentor in pharmacy operations and patient care. I worked with him from April of 2015 until August of 2017 when I relocated to Idaho.

In my time working with Jason, he was very honest, supportive, and trustworthy and a respected person in the community. Our patients loved working with him too and that is why I am writing this letter. Spending 40 hours a week working with the same people daily we all were more like a work family, and it was a great feeling never dreading to come to work. He exhibited professionalism and was very dedicated about his role as a pharmacy manager and took inventory and operations very seriously. The C2 counts were always correct daily, and all other inventory was accounted for as well. He had great communication skills and was always willing to listen and help any time needed. He even paid for my pharmacy technician license, so it did not lapse as I was struggling financially. That shows responsibility as a manager and caring for me so I could keep my license and status.

Jason was very fun to work with also, we can all be serious about our job and work setting and still have a good time. Every Friday our staff in the pharmacy went out to lunch together and we took turns picking which location to go which was fun and memorable. Some days that we did not go out to lunch, Jason would buy lunch and share it with us because he wanted us to enjoy the delicious things he liked too. He had great attendance and great attention to detail and coached to make sure we had these important qualities as well.

I hope this has been helpful information, you are welcome to reach me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Orrie Kostelich Reservations Supervisor | Silver Mountain Resort



From:	Jason Bigelow @icloud.com> on behalf of Jason Bigelow
Sent:	Monday, May 29, 2023 11:06 AM
То:	Chris Rusby
Subject:	Fwd: pharmacy letter Jason Bigelow
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From: Peter Rizzo @gmail.com> Date: May 29, 2023 at 10:35:26 AM PDT To: Jason Bigelow <jaesin3@icloud.com> Subject: pharmacy letter To whom it may concern,

Jason Bigelow and I, Pete Rizzo, have had a professional relationship since he hired me as a pharmacy technician at Savemart on Plumb Lane in Reno, Nevada. Upon interviewing with Jason my first impression was that he ran a well organized pharmacy, seemed approachable, and very knowledgable. Together with the other pharmacist, Bill, I found that the high prescription volume handled by this pharmacy was well managed, and the patients trusted Jason with their care and pharmaceutical needs. The high volume of prescriptions in the pharmacy required the staff to be well organized, efficient, and hard working, and Jason helped facilitate that flawlessly.

I have well over 10 years experience working in various pharmacies in the Reno area as a pharmacy technician. Many of them had different systems and policies for managing prescription flow. I found that this Savemart pharmacy, in particular, had many challenges out of our control. For example, the out-dated computer system, frequent system-wide shutdowns, automated prescription dispenser issues, other problems with printer and various electronics necessary to run a pharmacy were severely under funded, and neglected by Savemart upper management. These examples cause various problems with prescription flow hampering consistency and efficiency on a daily basis. Jason managed these circumstances very well, and kept the pharmacy staff and patients in good standing.

Jason is a great boss and pharmacist, who was always working to make sure everything got done each and everyday efficiently. Whenever there was a problem that needed fixing Jason always made sure it was solved in a timely manner including on his days off. Working with Jason in this environment gave me comfort that each day we accomplished as much as we could for the customer.

Sincerely,

Peter J. Rizzo

From:	linda chappell @sbcglobal.net> on behalf of linda chappell
Sent:	Monday, May 29, 2023 7:07 PM
To:	chris@rusbylaw.com
Subject:	Re: character letter for Jason Bigelow
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To whom it may concern,

I have known Jason Bigelow for over ten years. He is one of the most dedicated, hard working and innovative people I've had the pleasure of knowing. Jason is also compassionate, kind and never misses the opportunity to help others. Jason was there for me when my husband passed away six years ago. He helped me though one of the most difficult times in my life.

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Jason is the type of person you can count on to keep a cool head in a stressful situation and his positive attitude is contagious. I am proud to call him my friend.

Sincerely,

Linda Eckles

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From:Jason Bigelow < Dicloud.com> on behalf of Jason BigelowSent:Monday, June 19, 2023 3:15 PMTo:Chris RusbySubject:Fwd: Letter of Ref. Jason BigelowAttachments:Document ref. Jason Bigelow.rtf; Untitled attachment 138154.htm

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From: @jps.net Date: June 19, 2023 at 3:58:51 PM MDT To: @icloud.com Subject: Letter of Ref. Reply-To: @jps.net

Hi Jason, Attached please find the letter. Talk with you later. Sorry for the delay. I worked 10 days in a row through yesterday. Also had my big brother and his wife visiting. it's been crazy for me. I hope this is good enough. Davidson

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In All Things, Give Thanks!!

## JUNE 15, 2023.

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

## RE: JASON BIGELOW, Pharm.D, RPh.

Dear sir/madam,

I write on behalf of my dear friend, Jason Bigelow, a dedicated, hard working, responsible and trusted pharmacist, who has given his all to the profession since graduating from the college of pharmacy.

I have known and worked with Jason since 2015. I have had the privilege of watching Jason perform as a Pharmacis-In-Charge (PIC) over years of responsible leadership in this our very demanding profession. I had Jason cover shifts for me as we worked for the same company, (I as a fellow-PIC) without any problems, and each time he garnered high praise and respect from my staff with whom he worked.

Through the years I have known and worked with Jason, I have witnessed, without doubt, the unwavering love he has for the profession of pharmacy, and his dedication and care for the patients. Jason is a conscientious, dedicated co-worker who strives for the positive outcomes of the group effort, and showcase the true dedication to care of the comapny at large.

The Pharmacy profession has been blessed by the hard work, dedication and responsible stewardship of people like Jason Bigelow, and I hope Jason gets the chance to continue to do the great clinical work, and outstanding patient care that he has demonstrated over these many years.

Thank you so very much.

Sincrely yours,

Davidson Okpukpara, Pharm.D, RPh.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jason Bigelow @icloud.com> on behalf of Jason Bigelow Monday, June 19, 2023 3:15 PM Chris Rusby Fwd: Character Letter Jason Bigelow

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To your Honor or whom it may concern:

I have known Jason Bigelow for well over ten (10) years in a professional capacity and about seven (7) years in personal capacity as well. I met Mr. Bigelow as a patient of the pharmacy he worked at and as time progressed he became one of my clients and someone I truly can call an honest, professional, trustworthy person, as well as a friend that I would trust with my life.

I am writing this letter to give the court a fuller picture of Mr. Bigelow as a person to the court. Especially since I have such high respect for the American Justice System I want to make sure that true Justice is carried out. Over all the years that I have know Jason Bigelow I have never known him to use his position in the pharmacy or pharmaceutical business to be anything but ethical and honest as well as being better than any pharmacist I have had the pleasure of being a patient of. I have seen him take people in who were struggling to pay their bills. I've seen him give generously without ever asking or expecting anything in return. Furthermore in a professional capacity I have seen him counsel patients who were having issues. But what I have never seen is him being in any altered state or under the influence of any substance. I think that if Mr. Bigelow did have any problem or issue with drugs (prescription or otherwise) alcohol or any substance for that matter, I know that he would seek out help for any issue, if he had one. And as someone who has over 10 years in recovery I can always tell if someone is using or not and if someone has an addiction or is just not being their true self and is struggling. However I have never seen Jason in any altered state.

Thank you for taking the time reviewing my letter about Mr. Bigelow's character. Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have any questions, comments or concerns.

<u>Thank You,</u>



Spencer J. Terry, CEO/Founder: S.J.&T. Beauty