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8	BEFORE THE		
9	BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS		
ļ	STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
10	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:		
11	ISHA LADREANA THOMAS Case No. 5160		
12	1418 E. 64th Steet		
13	Los Angeles, CA 90001 ACCUSATION		
14	Pharmacy Technician Registration		
15	No. TCH 103842		
16	Respondent.		
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18	Complainant alleges:		
19	PARTIES		
20	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity		
21	as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs (Board).		
22	2. On or about October 12, 2010, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician		
23	Registration No. TCH 103842 to Isha LaDreana Thomas (Respondent). The Pharmacy		
24	Technician Registration expired on November 30, 2013 and was canceled on March 2, 2014		
25	pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4402, subdivision (e).		
26	JURISDICTION		
27	3. This Accusation is brought before the Board under the authority of the following		
28	laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.		
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4. Section 4300 provides, in pertinent part, that every license issued by the Board is subject to discipline, including suspension or revocation.

5. Section 4300.1 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."

6. Section 4402, subdivision (e) states:

"Any other license issued by the board may be canceled by the board if the license is not renewed within 60 days after its expiration. Any license canceled under this subdivision may not be reissued. Instead, a new application will be required."

STATUTORY PROVISIONS

7. Section 492 states, in pertinent part:

"Notwithstanding any other provision of law, successful completion of any diversion program under the Penal Code, or successful completion of an alcohol and drug problem assessment program under Article 5 (commencing with Section 23249.50) of Chapter 12 of Division 11 of the Vehicle Code, shall not prohibit any agency established under Division 2 (commencing with Section 500) of this code, or any initiative act referred to in that division, from taking disciplinary action against a licensee or from denying a license for professional misconduct, notwithstanding that evidence of that misconduct may be recorded in a record pertaining to an arrest."

8. Section 4060 provides in pertinent part, that no person shall possess any controlled substance, except that furnished to a person upon the prescription of a physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, or other authorized prescriber.

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"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:

"(j) 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."

REGULATORY PROVISIONS

10. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770 states, in pertinent part:

"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."

COST RECOVERY

11. Section 125.3 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.

12. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

"Methamphetamine," is a Schedule II controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11055, subdivision (d)(2) and is categorized as a dangerous drug pursuant to section 4022.

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FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Possession of a Controlled Substance)

- 13. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (j), as defined in section 4060, in that on or about July 6, 2013, Respondent obtained or possessed a controlled substance. The circumstances are as follows:
- a. On or about January 17, 2014, Respondent plead guilty to one misdemeanor count of violating Health and Safety Code section 11370, subdivision (a) [possession of a controlled substance] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Isha Thomas* (Super. Ct. San Bernardino County, 2014, No. FVA1301710). The Court placed Respondent on deferred entry of judgment for 18 months pending Respondent's completion of a drug diversion program.
- b. On or about July 6, 2013, during a traffic enforcement stop by a Fontana Police Department officer, Respondent, the left rear passenger and one of four people in the vehicle, was asked to exit the vehicle along with the rest of the occupants. The officer looked inside the car and in plain sight on the rear seat of the car was a purse. Respondent indicated that the purse was hers and when the officer asked if he could look inside of it, Respondent stated, "Go ahead, there is nothing illegal in there anyways." The officer looked inside Respondent's purse and noticed a clear plastic baggie towards the top of the purse that had a white crystal like substance inside of it which the officer recognized as Methamphetamine. The substance tested positive for Methamphetamine using a NIK test kit as well as when tested by the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Scientific Investigations Division laboratory.

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 Technician Registration No. TCH 103842, Issued to Isha LaDreana Thomas;

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1	2. Ordering Isha LaDreana Thomas to pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable	coete		
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2	of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code			
3	section 125.3; and			
4	3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.			
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6	DATED: 9/11/14 VIRGINIA HEROLD			
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8	Department of Consumer Affairs State of California			
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