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9	BEFORE THE BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS		
	STATE OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
10	T it Matter of the Assessmention Assignation	e No. 5459	
11		C C U S A T I O N	
12	aka OLUSOJI OLATUNDE AKANWO		
13	6039 Linda Vista Ct. Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739		
14	Pharmacist License No. RPH 46882		
15	Respondent.		
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18	Complainant alleges:	e	
19		Accusation solely in her official capacity as	
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21		the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs (Board).	
22	2. On or about March 7, 1994, the Board issued Pharmacist License No. RPH 46882 to		
23	Olusoji Olateunde Akanwo aka Olusoji Olatunde Akanwo (Respondent). The Pharmacist License		
24	was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on		
25	October 31, 2015, unless renewed.		
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2	3. This Accusation is brought before the Board, under the authority of the following		
3	laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise		
4	indicated.		
5	4. Section 4011 of the Code provides that "[t]he board shall administer and enforce this		
6	chapter [Pharmacy Law, (Business and Professions Code, Sec 4000 et secq.)] and the Uniform		
7	Controlled Substances Act (Division 10 (commencing with Section 11000) of the Health and		
8	Safety Code)."		
9	5. Section 4300, subdivision (a), of the Code states, in pertinent part, that "[e]very		
10	license issued may be suspended or revoked."		
11	6. Section 4300.1 of the Code states, in pertinent part:		
12	"The expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, or suspension of a board-issued license by operation		
13	of law or by order or decision of the board or a court of law, the placement of a license on a		
14	retired status, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee shall not deprive the board of		
15	jurisdiction to commence or proceed with any investigation of, or action or disciplinary proceeding		
16	against, the licensee or to render a decision suspending or revoking the license."		
17	STATUTORY PROVISIONS		
18	7. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides that the suspension, expiration,		
19	surrender, or cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a		
20	disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued		
21	or reinstated.		
22	8. Section 4059 of the Code states, in pertinent part:		
23	"(a) A person may not furnish any dangerous drug, except upon the prescription of a		
24	physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, or naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section		
25	3640.7. A person may not furnish any dangerous device, except upon the prescription of a		
26	physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, or naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section		
27	3640.7"		
28	9. Section 4060 of the Code states, in pertinent:		
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1	"No person shall possess any controlled substance, except that furnished to a person upon
2	the prescription of a physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, or naturopathic doctor
3	pursuant to Section 3640.7, or furnished pursuant to a drug order issued by a certified
4	nurse-midwife pursuant to Section 2746.51, a nurse practitioner pursuant to Section 2836.1, or a
5	physician assistant pursuant to Section 3502.1, or naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.5,
6	or a pharmacist pursuant to either subparagraph (D) of paragraph (4) of, or clause (iv) of
7	subparagraph (A) of paragraph (5) of, subdivision (a) of Section 4052. This section shall not apply
8 .	to the possession of any controlled substance by a manufacturer, wholesaler, pharmacy,
9	pharmacist, physician, podiatrist, dentist, optometrist, veterinarian, naturopathic doctor, certified
10	nurse-midwife, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant, when in stock in containers correctly
11	labeled with the name and address of the supplier or producer"
12	10. Section 4301 of the Code states, in pertinent part:
13	"The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional
14	conduct or whose license has been procured by fraud or misrepresentation or issued by mistake.
15	Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:
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17	"(h) The administering to oneself, of any controlled substance, or the use of any dangerous
18	drug or of alcoholic beverages to the extent or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to
19	oneself, to a person holding a license under this chapter, or to any other person or to the public, or
20	to the extent that the use impairs the ability of the person to conduct with safety to the public the
21	practice authorized by the license.
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23	"(j) The violation of any of the statutes of this state, or any other state, or of the United
24	States regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs.
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26	"(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the
27	violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable
28	federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the
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board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency.

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"(p) Actions or conduct that would have warranted denial of a license. . . ."

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11. Health and Safety Code section 11377, subdivision (a), states, in pertinent part:

"(a) Except as authorized by law and as otherwise provided in subdivision (b) or Section 4 11375, or in Article 7 (commencing with Section 4211) of Chapter 9 of Division 2 of the Business 5 6 and Professions Code, every person who possesses any controlled substance which is (1) classified in Schedule III, IV, or V, and which is not a narcotic drug, (2) specified in subdivision (d) of 7 Section 11054, except paragraphs (13), (14), (15), and (20) of subdivision (d), (3) specified in 8 paragraph (11) of subdivision (c) of Section 11056, (4) specified in paragraph (2) or (3) of 9 subdivision (f) of Section 11054, or (5) specified in subdivision (d), (e), or (f) of Section 11055, 10 unless upon the prescription of a physician, dentist, podiatrist, or veterinarian, licensed to practice 11 in this state, shall be punished by imprisonment in a county jail for a period of not more than one 12 13 year or pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 1170 of the Penal Code.

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REGULATORY PROVISION

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

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

COST RECOVERY

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

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CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE / DANGEROUS DRUG 1 2 14. Acetaminophen (APAP) is a pain reliever and fever reducer. 15. Amphetamine is a Scheduled II controlled substance pursuant to Health and Safety 3 Code section 11055, subdivision (d)(1), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and 4 Professions Code section 4022. 5 16. Hydrocodone is a Schedule II controlled narcotic substance pursuant to Health and 6 Safety Code section 11055, subdivision (b)(1)(I), and a dangerous drug pursuant to section 4022 7 of the Code. Preparations containing hydrocodone in combination with other non-narcotic 8 medicinal ingredients are Schedule III controlled substances pursuant to Health and Safety Code 9 section 11056, subdivision (e)(4), and are categorized as dangerous drugs pursuant to section. 10 4022 of the Code. 11 12 FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Dangerous Use of Alcohol and Controlled Substance / Dangerous Drug) 13 17. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (h), on the 14 grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent used alcoholic beverages and a controlled 15 substance / dangerous drug to the extent on in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to himself 16 or others. The circumstances underlying the act are that on or about August 16, 2014, law 17 enforcement officers made a traffic stop on Respondent, who was swerving his vehicle in and out 18 of traffic lanes. Upon contact, an officer smelled a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting 19 from Respondent's breath. Respondent initially denied consuming any alcoholic beverages before 20 driving, but later admitted to consuming one alcohol drink. A subsequent blood test revealed a 21 blood alcohol content (BAC) of 0.16% and the presence of Amphetamine. Additionally, a search 22 of Respondent's vehicle revealed a container of 100 pills of a combination of 5 mg of 23 Hydrocodone and 325 mg of Acetaminophen that was not appropriately labeled. 24 SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE 25 (Unlawful Possession of Controlled Substances) 26 18. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (j), 27on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, for violating Code sections 4059, subdivision (a), and 28 5

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4060, in conjunction of Healthy and Safety Code section 11377, in that on or about August 16,
 2014, Respondent possessed pills containing 5 mg of Hydrocodone and 325 mg of
 Acetaminophen without a valid prescription. Complainant refers to an by this reference
 incorporates the allegations set for above in paragraph 17, as though set forth fully.

DISCIPLINE CONSIDERATIONS

6 19. To determine the degree of discipline, if any, to be imposed on Respondent,
7 Complainant alleges that:

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On or about July 31, 2013, in a prior administrative action, the Board of Pharmacy a. 8 issued Citation No. CI 2012 53167 for violating section 4301, subdivision (h) [use of dangerous 9 drug or alcohol to the extent or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to one self or others] 10 and ordered Respondent to pay a fine. That Citation is now final and is incorporated by reference 11 as if fully set forth. The circumstances underlying the citation are that on or about September 26, 12 2012, after pleading nolo contendere, Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of 13 violating Vehicle Code section 23103, subdivision (a) [wet reckless driving], in the criminal 14 proceeding entitled The People of the State of California v. Olusoji Olatunde Akanwo (Super. Ct. 15 San Bernardino County, 2012, No. TWV1201997). The Court sentenced Respondent to two days 16 in jail, placed him on 36 months summary probation and ordered him to attend a Wet Reckless 17 Program. 18

On or about October 17, 2012, in a prior administrative action, the Board of b. 19 Pharmacy issued Citation Number CI 2012 54124 for violating section 4076, subdivision 20(a)(11)(A) [prescription container to have the physical description of the dispensed medication, 21 including its color, shape, and any identification code that appears on the tablets or capsules], 22section 1761, subdivision (a) [no pharmacist shall compound or dispense any prescription which 23 contains any significant error, omissions, irregularity, uncertainty, ambiguity or alteration], and 24 Health and Safety Code section 11164, subdivision (a)(1)(a) [each prescription for a controlled 25 substance classified in Schedule II, III, IV, or V, except as authorized by subdivision (b), shall be 26 made on a controlled substance prescription form as specified in section 11162.1 and shall meet 27 the following requirements: (1) the prescription shall be signed and dated by the prescriber in 28

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2	c. On or about August 14, 2013, in a prior administrative action, the Board sent a Letter		
3	of Admonishment to Respondent pursuant to section 4315 for failure to comply with the laws and		
4	regulations that govern the practice of pharmacy in California. Specifically, on or about May 23,		
5	2012, Respondent verified a prescription for 180 tablets of a medication, but dispensed the		
6	prescription with 126 tablets.		
7	PRAYER		
8	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,		
9	and that following the hearing, the Board issue a decision:		
10	1. Revoking or suspending Pharmacist License No. RPH 46882, issued to Olusoji		
11	Olateunde Akanwo aka Olusoji Olatunde Akanwo;		
12	2. Ordering Olusoji Olateunde Akanwo to pay the Board the reasonable costs of the		
13	investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to section 125.3 of the Code; and		
14	3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.		
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