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

In the Matter of the Statement of Issues Against:

Case No. 3099

JASON MICHAEL VEST 2618 Flint Way #106 San Bernardino, CA 92408

Intern Pharmacist Registration Applicant

Respondent.

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14	2618 Flint Way #106 San Bernardino, CA 92408 STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND				
15	Intern Pharmacist Registration Applicant DISCIPLINARY ORDER				
16	Respondent.				
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18	In the interest of a prompt and speedy settlement of this matter, consistent with the				
19	public interest and the responsibility of the Board of Pharmacy of the Department of Consumer				
20	Affairs, the parties hereby agree to the following Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order				
21	which will be submitted to the Board for approval and adoption as the final disposition of the				
22	Statement of Issues.				
23	<u>PARTIES</u>				
24	1. Patricia F. Harris (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of				
25	Pharmacy. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter				
26	by Edmund G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State of California, by Desiree Tulleners,				
27	Deputy Attorney General.				
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- 2. Respondent Jason Vest (Respondent) is representing himself in this proceeding in pro per, and has chosen not to exercise his right to be represented by counsel.
- 3. On October 16, 2006, the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs received an application dated August 2, 2006, for Registration as an Intern Pharmacist from Respondent. The application was denied on May 18, 2007. Respondent timely filed an appeal on the denial and request for a hearing.

JURISDICTION

4. Statement of Issues No. 3099 was filed before the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Statement of Issues and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on October 23, 2007. A copy of Statement of Issues No. 3099 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- Respondent has carefully read and understands the charges and allegations
 in Statement of Issues No. 3099. Respondent has also carefully read and understands the effects
 of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Statement of Issues; the right to be represented by counsel at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Statement of Issues No. 3099.

9. Respondent agrees that his application for registration is subject to denial and he agrees to be bound by the Board of Pharmacy's (Board) imposition of discipline as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

CONTINGENCY

- Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of Pharmacy may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 11. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 12. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Registration as an Intern Pharmacist shall be issued to Respondent Jason Vest and that said Registration shall be automatically revoked. The revocation will be stayed, and the Respondent placed on five (5) years probation on the following terms and conditions.

1. Obey All Laws. Respondent shall obey all state and federal laws and regulations substantially related to or governing the practice of pharmacy.

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Respondent shall report any of the following occurrences to the Board, in writing, within 72 hours of such occurrence:

- an arrest or issuance of a criminal complaint for violation of any provision of the Pharmacy Law, state and federal food and drug laws, or state and federal controlled substances laws
- a plea of guilty or nolo contendere in any state or federal criminal proceeding to
 any criminal complaint, information or indictment
- a conviction of any crime
- discipline, citation, or other administrative action filed by any state and federal agency which involves Respondent's license or which is related to the practice of pharmacy or the manufacturing, obtaining, handling or distribution or billing or charging for any drug, device or controlled substance.
- 2. Reporting to the Board. Respondent shall report to the Board quarterly. The report shall be made either in person or in writing, as directed. Respondent shall state under penalty of perjury whether there has been compliance with all the terms and conditions of probation. If the final probation report is not made as directed, probation shall be extended automatically until such time as the final report is made and accepted by the Board.
- 3. Interview with the Board. Upon receipt of reasonable notice,
 Respondent shall appear in person for interviews with the Board upon request at various intervals
 at a location to be determined by the Board. Failure to appear for a scheduled interview without
 prior notification to Board staff shall be considered a violation of probation.
- 4. Cooperation with Board Staff. Respondent shall cooperate with the Board's inspectional program and in the Board's monitoring and investigation of Respondent's compliance with the terms and conditions of his probation. Failure to comply shall be considered a violation of probation.
- 5. Notice to Employers. Respondent shall notify all present and prospective employers of the decision in Case No. 3099 and the terms, conditions and restrictions imposed on Respondent by the decision. Within 30 days of the effective date of this decision, and within

15 days of Respondent undertaking new employment, Respondent shall cause his direct supervisor, pharmacist-in-charge and/or owner to report to the Board in writing acknowledging the employer has read the decision in Case No. 3099.

If Respondent works for or is employed by or through a pharmacy employment service, Respondent must notify the direct supervisor, pharmacist-in-charge, and/or owner at every pharmacy of the terms and conditions of the decision in Case No. 3099 in advance of the Respondent commencing work at each pharmacy.

"Employment" within the meaning of this provision shall include any full-time, part-time, temporary, relief or pharmacy management service as a pharmacist, whether the Respondent is considered an employee or independent contractor.

- 6. **Probation Monitoring Costs.** Respondent shall pay the costs associated with probation monitoring as determined by the Board each and every year of probation. Such costs shall be payable to the Board at the end of each year of probation. Failure to pay such costs shall be considered a violation of probation.
- 7. Status of Registration. Respondent shall, at all times while on probation, maintain an active current registration with the Board, including any period during which suspension or probation is tolled.

If Respondent's registration expires or is canceled by operation of law or otherwise, upon renewal or reapplication, Respondent's registration shall be subject to all terms and conditions of this probation not previously satisfied.

8. Registration Surrender while on Probation/Suspension. Following the effective date of this decision, should Respondent cease practice due to retirement or health, or be otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, Respondent may tender his registration to the Board for surrender. The Board shall have the discretion whether to grant the request for surrender or take any other action it deems appropriate and reasonable. Upon formal acceptance of the surrender of the registration, Registration will no longer be subject to the terms and conditions of probation.

Upon acceptance of the surrender, Respondent shall relinquish his pocket registration to the Board within 10days of notification by the Board that the surrender is accepted. Respondent may not reapply for any license from the Board for three years from the effective date of the surrender. Respondent shall meet all requirements applicable to the registration sought as of the date the application for that registration is submitted to the Board.

- 9. Notification of Employment/Mailing Address Change. Respondent shall notify the Board in writing within 10 days of any change of employment. Said notification shall include the reasons for leaving and/or the address of the new employer, supervisor or owner and work schedule if known. Respondent shall notify the Board in writing within 10 days of a change in name, mailing address or phone number.
- 10. **Notification of Pharmacy School Attendance/Graduation.** Respondent must notify and advise the Board prior to the time he leaves, ceases to be enrolled in, and/or graduates from pharmacy school.
- any reason cease practicing pharmacy for a minimum of 40 hours per calendar month in California, Respondent must notify the Board in writing within 10 days of cessation of the practice of pharmacy or the resumption of the practice of pharmacy. Such periods of time shall not apply to the reduction of the probation period. It is a violation of probation for Respondent's probation to remain tolled pursuant to the provisions of this condition for a period exceeding three years.

"Cessation of practice" means any period of time exceeding 30 days in which Respondent is not engaged in the practice of pharmacy as defined in Section 4052 of the Business and Professions Code.

12. Violation of Probation. If Respondent violates probation in any respect, the Board, after giving Respondent notice and an opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order which was stayed. If a petition to revoke probation or an accusation is filed against Respondent during probation, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction and the period of probation shall be extended, until the petition to revoke probation

or accusation is heard and decided.

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

- 13. Completion of Probation. Upon successful completion of probation, Respondent's registration will be fully restored.
- 14. Rehabilitation Program Pharmacists Recovery Program (PRP). Within 30 days of the effective date of this decision, Respondent shall contact the Pharmacists Recovery Program for evaluation and shall successfully participate in and complete the treatment contract and any subsequent addendums as recommended and provided by the PRP and as approved by the Board. The costs for PRP participation shall be borne by the Respondent.

If Respondent is currently enrolled in the PRP, said participation is now mandatory and is no longer considered a self-referral under Business and Professions Code section 4363, as of the effective date of this decision. Respondent shall successfully participate in and complete his current contract and any subsequent addendums with the PRP. Probation shall be automatically extended until Respondent successfully completes his treatment contract. Any person terminated from the program shall be automatically suspended upon notice by the Board. Respondent may not resume the practice of pharmacy until notified by the Board in writing. The Board shall retain jurisdiction to institute action to terminate probation for any violation of this term.

15. Random Drug Screening. Respondent, at his own expense, shall participate in random testing, including but not limited to biological fluid testing (urine, blood), breathalyzer, hair follicle testing, or a drug screening program approved by the Board. The length of time shall be for the entire probation period and the frequency of testing will be determined by the Board. At all times Respondent shall fully cooperate with the Board, and shall, when directed, submit to such tests and samples for the detection of alcohol, narcotics,

hypnotics, dangerous drugs or other controlled substances. Failure to submit to testing as directed shall constitute a violation of probation. Any confirmed positive drug test shall result in the immediate suspension of practice by Respondent. Respondent may not resume the practice of pharmacy until notified by the Board in writing.

- abstain from the possession or use of alcohol, controlled substances, dangerous drugs and their associated paraphernalia except when the drugs are lawfully prescribed by a licensed practitioner as part of a documented medical treatment. Upon request of the Board, Respondent shall provide documentation from the licensed practitioner that the prescription was legitimately issued and is a necessary part of the treatment of the Respondent.
- other registration or license of any kind to Respondent during the period of probation, said registration or license shall be immediately revoked. The revocation of such registration or license shall be stayed, and the probation imposed by this agreement will continue. Respondent shall be subject to the same terms and conditions imposed by this disciplinary order.

 Notwithstanding this provision, the Board reserves the right to deny Respondent's application for the pharmacist licensure exam. If the Board issues a license to practice as a pharmacist to Respondent, the following additional terms and conditions shall be included as a part of this disciplinary order:
- 18. Continuing Education: Respondent shall provide evidence of efforts to maintain skill and knowledge as a pharmacist as directed by the Board.
- 19. No Preceptorships, Supervision of Interns, Being Pharmacist-in Charge (PIC) or serving as a consultant. Respondent shall not supervise any intern pharmacist or perform any of the duties of a preceptor, nor shall Respondent be the pharmacist-in-charge of any entity licensed by the Board unless otherwise specified in this order.

ACCEPTANCE

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

DATED: 1/3/88

JASON VEST Respondent

ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Board of Pharmacy of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

DATED: 1/31/08

EDMUND G. BROWN IR., Attorney General of the State of California

DESIREE TULLENERS
Deputy Attornoy General

Attorneys for Complainant

JASON VEST

2618 FLINT WAY #106 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408 CELL: (909) 800-1854

OBJECTIVE:

To work in a fas -paced clinical pharmacy environment to enhance the practical aspect of pharmacy education while attending the LLU Pharm D program (class of 2011).

EDUCATION:

Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA

2006-Present

Doctorate of Pharmicy

* Courses include: Formulary Management, Pharmaceutics, Pharmaceutical Care

Walla Walla College, College Place, WA

2000

B.A. Business Admir istration

- · Graduated 3.41 Grade Point Average
- · 3.8 GPA in Science related classes

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

APhA Officer - Spin Coordinator - American Pharmacists Association	2006-2007
NCPA Officer - President Elect - National Community Pharmacists Association	 2007-2008
PLS - Psi Lamga Sigma Gamma Beta Chapter (Leadership Achievement Award)	2007
ASHP - American Society of Health-System Pharmacists	

AWARDS / CERT FICATIONS:

BLS CPR & AlD / First Aid, American Heart Association	Exp 9/08
Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery, ACPE	2006
Recognition of Jutstanding Performance, Bryman College	2006
Customer Serv ce Training Seminar, Corinthian Colleges, Inc.	2005, 2006

VOLUNTEER / RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

NCPA/ Disaster Preparedness Simulation, Temecula, CA	7/2007
Assist with time flow analysis for Anthrax contamination disaster response	

AMCP/FMCP Vational P&T Competition

* Analyzed Bye ta and developed presentation for formulary consideration to a P&T Committee

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St. Mary's Hospital, Walla, WA

1998-2000

Emergency room volunteer

Students In Free Enterprise, Walla Walla, WA

1996-2000

2007

Develop and i nplement community service projects for neighborhood improvement

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE:

SG Consulting, San Bernardino, CA

7/07-Present

Founder/Owner

- Financial consulting for individual clients;
- Train clients tusiness strategy development and implementation;
- Develop databases and setup accounting software for clients;
- Web page des gn and domain setup;
- * Advise clients on business license regulations for various cities throughout southern California;

NDAIN, Inc., Corora, CA

3/06-12/07

Founder/Owner

Create and implement marketing strategies and advertizing campaigns for small businesses;

Everest College, for merly Bryman College, San Bernardino, CA

5/04-Present

Senior Career Services Representative

* Received Parthenon recognition for highest placement percentage of the company 2 years running;

Increased placement rate by 27.2% from 2004 to 2005;

Developed employer relationships to increase job opportunities for graduates;

- Implemented policies and procedures to increase efficiency and facilitate greater student satisfaction;
- Developed Access database to track market trends, employer profiles, student profiles, track employment history, and assist matching personalities of employers with employees;
- Assist grads ir job seeking efforts by conducting workshops in resume and portfolio development,
 career goal assessment, interviewing techniques, and personal appearance;
- * Researched and analyzed employment trends of the business community through surveys and generated reports to identify market changes;

· Coordinate err ployer field trips and job fairs;

• Implement and maintain policies, objectives and short- and long-range department goals;

Senior Externship Coordinator

- Coordinate the externship referral program: Interview applicants to determine interests, skills, strengths and weaknesses; advise on externship choices, refer for additional training and experience when indicated;
- Supervise extenship training in compliance with Accreditation, Education Department, Finance Department, and Company policies and regulations;
- Locate and acquire new externship sites and develop working relationships with employers.
- Visit sites and obtain contractual agreements for each externship site;

Supervise extern staff to ensure regulatory compliance;

Secure all eva uations from sites and externs to incorporate into student files and assist with career planning. Adhere to all regulatory compliance requirements and rules of externship. Track externs' attendance and ensure that all extern assignments are completed as determined by the program and set by Company policy and regulatory requirements;

Fidelity National T tle, San Bernardino, CA

4/03-4/04

Title Officer/Foreclesure Specialist:

 Search, Examine, Write and Review Trustee Sale Guarantees; Answer customer questions regarding Trustee Sale Guarantees; Abstract documents for legal compliance and accuracy

Morgan Framing, Inc. Rialto, CA

4/01-2/03

Accounts Manager:

Maintained Accounts Payable, Receivable, and legal contracts;

- Developed marketing plan to maintain business relationships with builders including Greystone,
 Ryland, Western Pacific, Van Daele, California Pacific, Ayalon, etc.;
- Controlled \$2.5 million contract managing budgets, billing and customer service;

· Wrote and implemented procedures for A/P, A/R and multiple job tasks;

- * Trained and so pervised office personnel including one A/R clerk, two office assistants and two general office managers;
- * Researched, purchased, installed and maintained entire Windows 2000 network including iDSL and firewall:
- · Strong knowledge of QuickBooks, Excel, Access, MS Word, Master Builder;

JASON VEST

Dairy Queen, Spokine, WA

1994-2001

Supervisor:

- Developed training course for new recruits;
 - Implemented procedural changes that increased speed and consistency;
 - Responsible for filling out deposits, balance registers, customer service, resolving employee and customer conflicts;

INTERESTS:

Real Estate, state politics and debate, Pre-Professional Club, involvement in Students In Free Enterprise projects, medical volunteer, Basketball Coach in 1997 and 1999

October 26, 2007

Desiree A. Tulleners
Deputy Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General
300 S. Spring Street, Ste 1702
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Re: Board of Pharmacy Case No. 3099

To Whom It May Concern:

During my years of serving my community, I have learned that people cannot be accurately judged by first impressions or by a simple resume. It is my hope that you are able to look beyond what is on paper and evaluate me for the person that I am. I am passionate about pharmacy and it is my vision to become one of the premier pharmacists in my specialty. I am not one to sit idly by, but rather a man of action and perseverance.

In the past, I have made a few poor decisions. People can choose to dwell on the negative outcomes from those decisions or can learn and become a better person because of them. As a direct result of the decisions I have made throughout the past, I have:

- 1. Learned how to handle extreme personal loss more effectively; specifically in the context of dealing with the death of a close loved one
- 2. Assisted in changing more than 1,750 lives within the past three years of my career
- 3. Made numerous friends and contacts through dedicated service to people on an individual level that has had a positive impact on our community
- 4. Gained additional experience to relate to others and be able to assist them more effectively through personal experience and better educate them on how to handle their future career paths and personal lives
- 5. Become a stronger leader as evidenced by achieving numerous positions including NCPA President Elect, APhA SPIN Coordinator, Captain of intramural basketball teams, and Advisory Board participant for Corinthian Colleges, Inc.
- 6. Attended AA meetings and participated in volunteer work for Red Cross to assist the fire victims of my community and involvement in numerous outreach programs including smoking cessation, immunization fairs, health screens, diabetes awareness programs, and breast cancer awareness fundraisers.

I believe that the Board of Pharmacy's highest priority is to serve the public. They are responsible for protecting the health, welfare and safety of the public while advocating the highest quality of pharmaceutical care. To me, pharmaceutical care involves more than merely delivering correct medications for an indicated illness and minimizing adverse effects; it requires whole person care that encompasses all aspects of a person's life, not just the physical health.

We must lead by example, and sadly I had failed to meet the expectations of myself to live a healthful life in part by abstaining from all forms alcohol. Some steps I have taken to ensure that I will meet my personal principles of living include:

1. I recognize that alcohol is a dangerous drug and must be respected as such

October 26, 2007

Re: Jason Vest

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to serve as a character and professional reference for Jason Vest. Jason was a career services representative while I attended Everest College, formerly Bryman College in San Bernardino, California.

After I had completed the Medical Administrative Assisting program, I was in dire need of a job. The job market was tough, but Jason encouraged me through the rough times and helped me get my foot in the door and obtain employment at San Bernardino Assisted Retirement Living Center. It was his persistence and relentlessness that I am truly grateful for because even though I already had a job, he continued to work on my behalf to help me achieve a higher level in my career.

Eventually, I was able to become a member of the Career Services team. Working with Jason over the last year, I can attest to his character and work ethic. He is highly professional, diligent, customer friendly, insightful, highly intelligent, compassionate and easy to work with. He always brings out the positive side in other coworkers and students and will bend over backwards to help them achieve their goals.

Please call me at (909) 543-7325, should you wish to discuss this reference with me personally.

Sincerely,

De'Borah Jackson

Everest College, 2005 Alumna

Exhibit A
Statement of Issues No. 3099

1	EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Attorney General of the State of California		
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3	DESIREE TULLENERS, State Bar No. 157464 Deputy Attorney General		
4	California Department of Justice 300 So. Spring Street, Suite 1702		
5	Los Angeles, CA 90013 Telephone: (213) 897-2578		
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13	San Bernardino, CA 92408		
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17	Complainant alleges:		
18	<u>PARTIES</u>		
19	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings this Statement of Issues solely in		
20	her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of		
21	Consumer Affairs (Board).		
22	2. On or about October 16, 2006, the Board received an Intern Pharmacist		
23	Registration Application from Jason Michael Vest (Respondent). On or about August 2, 2006,		
24	Jason Michael Vest certified under penalty of perjury as to the truthfulness of all statements,		
25	answers, and representations in the application. The Board denied the application on		
26	May 18, 2007.		
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JURISDICTION

- 3. This Statement of Issues is brought before the Board, under the authority of the following laws. All Section references are to the Business and Professions Code, unless otherwise indicated.
 4. Section 480 states, in pertinent part:
 "(a) A board may deny a license regulated by this code on the grounds that the
- applicant has one of the following:

 (1) Been convicted of a crime. A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action
- which a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code.

(3) Done any act which if done by a licentiate of the business or profession in question, would be grounds for suspension or revocation of license.

The board may deny a license pursuant to this subdivision only if the crime or act is substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of the business or profession for which application is made. . . ."

5. Section 490 states:

"A board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime, if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued. A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action which a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code."

6. Section 4301 states, in pertinent part:

"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

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issued by mistake. Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:

(h) The administering to oneself, of any controlled substance, or the use of any dangerous drug or of alcoholic beverages to the extent or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to oneself, to a person holding a license under this chapter, or to any other person or to the public, or to the extent that the use impairs the ability of the person to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by the license.

- (k) The conviction of more than one misdemeanor or any felony involving the use, consumption, or self-administration of any dangerous drug or alcoholic beverage, or any combination of those substances...."
 - 7. 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."

FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Convictions of Substantially Related Crimes)

- 8. Respondent's application is subject to denial under Section 480. subdivision (a)(1), as defined in California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, in that Respondent committed substantially related crimes as follows:
- a, On or about March 5, 2007, in a criminal proceeding entitled The People of the State of California v. Jason Michael Vest, in San Bernardino County Superior Court, San Bernardino District, Case No. TSB122559, Respondent was convicted by his plea of guilty to a violation of Vehicle Code section 23152(b) [driving with a greater than 0.08% blood alcohol

level (BAC)], a misdemeanor.

The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about November 23, 2006, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department officers conducted a traffic stop on Respondent, and arrested Respondent after he failed field sobriety tests. Respondent's blood alcohol content measured 0.15%, almost twice the legal limit.

b. On or about October 25, 2004, in a criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Jason Michael Vest,* in Orange County Superior Court, Harbor Justice Center, Case No. 04HM08195MA, Respondent was convicted by his plea of *guilty* to a violation of Vehicle Code sections 23152(a) (driving under the influence of alcohol), a misdemeanor, and 23152(b) (driving with a greater than 0.08% blood alcohol content), a misdemeanor.

The circumstances of these convictions are that on or about September 25, 2004, California Highway Patrol officers conducted a traffic stop on Respondent. Respondent informed the officers that he was the "designated driver." The officers arrested Respondent after he failed field sobriety tests. Respondent's blood alcohol content measured 0.137%.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Conduct Warranting Suspension / Revocation of Licensure)

- 9. Respondent's application is subject to denial under Section 480, subdivision (a)(3), for having committed acts or conduct, any one of which be independent grounds for suspension or revocation of licensure, as follows:
- a. <u>Violation of Section 490</u>. On or about October 25, 2004, and on or about March 5, 2007, Respondent was convicted of substantially related crimes, as more fully described above in paragraphs 8(a)(b).
- b. <u>Violation of Section 4301, subdivision (k)</u>. On or about March 5, 2007, Respondent was convicted of more than one misdemeanor involving the use, consumption, or self-administration of alcoholic beverages, as more fully described above in paragraphs 8(a)(b).
- c. <u>Violation of Section 4301, subdivision (h)</u>. On or about July 23, 2006, and on or about September 25, 2004, Respondent drove a vehicle while being under the influence of

alcohol to the extent or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to oneself, or any other 1 2 person, or to the public, as more fully described above in paragraphs 8(a)(b). Violation of Section 4301. Respondent committed acts of unprofessional 3 conduct as more fully described above in paragraphs 8(a)(b), and 9(a)(b)(c). 4 5 PRAYER WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters 6 herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision: 8 1. Denying the application of Jason Michael Vest for a Intern Pharmacist 9 Registration Applicant; and Taking such other and further action as deerned necessary and proper. 10 11 12 -13 14 Board of Warmacy 15 Department of Consumer Affairs 16 State of California 17 Complainant 18 LA2007601193 19 60246242.wpd 8/9/2007dmm 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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