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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 3475

LOAN T. HO 4575 Meredith Street Riverside, CA 92505

Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 56090

Respondent.

DECISION AND ORDER

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

This decision shall become effective on August 25, 2010.

It is so ORDERED on July 26, 2010.

BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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.13	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. AC 3475
14	LOAN T. HO	,
15	4575 Meredith Street Riverside, CA 92505	STIPULATED SURRENDER OF LICENSE AND ORDER
16	Pharmacy Technician	
17	Registration No. TCH 56090	
18	Respondent.	
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20	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties in this	
21	proceeding that the following matters are true:	
22	<u>PARTIES</u>	
23	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy.	
24	She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by Edmund	
25	G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State of California, by Loretta A. West, Deputy Attorney	
26	General.	
27	2. Loan T. Ho (Respondent) is representing herself in this proceeding and has chosen	
28	not to exercise her right to be represented by counsel.	

3. On or about April 20, 2004, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 56090 to Loan T. Ho (Respondent). The registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. AC 3475 and will expire on April 30, 2010, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

4. On January 28, 2010, Accusation No. AC 3475 was filed before the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on January 28, 2010. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. AC 3475 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. AC 3475. Respondent also has carefully read, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her 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 Accusation No. AC 3475, and agrees that cause exists for discipline.

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9. Respondent hereby surrenders her Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 56090 for the Board's formal acceptance. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of her Pharmacy Technician without further process.

RESERVATION

10. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Board of Pharmacy or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.

CONTINGENCY

- 11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Pharmacy. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of Pharmacy may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her 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 Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 12. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 13. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

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

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 56090, issued to Loan T. Ho is surrendered and accepted by the Board of Pharmacy as of the effective date of this decision.

- 15. The surrender of Respondent's Pharmacy Technician Registration and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board.
- 16. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a Pharmacy Technician in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 17. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board both her wall license certificate and, if one was issued, pocket license within 10 days of the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 18. Respondent understands and agrees that if he or she ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a new application for licensure.

Respondent may not apply for any license, permit, or registration from the Board for three years from the effective date of this decision. Respondent stipulates that should he or she apply for any license from the Board on or after the effective date of this decision, all allegations set forth in the accusation shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the application. Respondent shall satisfy all requirements applicable to that license as of the date the application is submitted to the Board, including, but not limited to taking and passing all required examinations prior to the issuance of a new license. Respondent is required to report this surrender as disciplinary action.

19. Should Respondent ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of California,

all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. AC 3475 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.

Respondent shall pay the Board its costs of investigation and enforcement in the amount of \$1,827.00 (one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven dollars) prior to issuance of a new license.

ACCEPTANCE

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

4/19/10 DATED:

LOAN T. HO Respondent

ENDORSEMENT

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

Dated: February 24, 2010 April 19, 2010 Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND G. BROWN JR. Attorney General of California LINDA K. SCHNEIDER

Supervising Deputy Attorney General

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Exhibit A

Accusation No. AC 3475

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14	4575 Meredith Street	
15	Riverside, CA 92505 ACCUSATION	
16	Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 56090	
17	Respondent.	
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19	Complainant alleges:	
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21	PARTIES	
22	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity	
23	as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs.	
24	2. On or about April 20, 2004, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician	
25	Registration Number TCH 56090 to Loan T. Ho (Respondent). The Pharmacy Technician	
26	Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and	
27	will expire on April 30, 2010, unless renewed.	
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JURISDICTION

- 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Pharmacy, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
- 4. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides that the suspension, expiration, surrender, or cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

STATUTORY PROVISIONS

- 5. Section 4300 of the Code states:
 - (a) Every license issued may be suspended or revoked.
 - (b) The board shall discipline the holder of any license issued by the board, whose default has been entered or whose case has been heard by the board and found guilty, by any of the following methods:
 - (1) Suspending judgment.
 - (2) Placing him or her upon probation.
 - (3) Suspending his or her right to practice for a period not exceeding one year.
 - (4) Revoking his or her license.
 - (5) Taking any other action in relation to disciplining him or her as the board in its discretion may deem proper.
- 6. Section 4301 of the Code states:

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

(f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of

relations as a licensee or otherwise, and whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not.

- (l) The conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensec under this chapter. . . . In all other cases, the record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction occurred. The board may inquire into the circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime, in order to fix the degree of discipline or, in the case of a conviction not involving controlled substances or dangerous drugs, to determine if the conviction is of an offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. . . .
 - (p) Actions or conduct that would have warranted denial of a license.

7. Section 475 of the Code states:

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this code, the provisions of this division shall govern the denial of licenses on the grounds of:
 - (2) Conviction of a crime.
- (3) Commission of any act involving dishonesty, fraud or deceit with the intent to substantially benefit himself or another, or substantially injure another.
- (4) Commission of any act which, if done by a licentiate of the business or profession in question, would be grounds for suspension or revocation of license.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this code, the provisions of this division shall govern the suspension and revocation of licenses on grounds specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (a).
- (c) A license shall not be denied, suspended, or revoked on the grounds of a lack of good moral character or any similar ground relating to an applicant's character, reputation, personality, or habits.

Section 490 of the Code 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 piea 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.

9. Section 493 of the Code states:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in a proceeding conducted by a board within the department pursuant to law to deny an application for a ficense or to suspend or revoke a license or otherwise take disciplinary action against a person who holds a license, upon the ground that the applicant or the licensee has been convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of the licensee in question, the record of conviction of the crime shall be conclusive evidence of the fact that the conviction occurred, but only of that fact, and the board may inquire into the circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime in order to fix the degree of discipline or to determine if the conviction is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of the licensee in question.

As used in this section, 'license' includes 'certificate,' 'permit,' authority,' and 'registration.'

10. Section 482 of the Code states:

Each board under the provisions of this code shall develop criteria to evaluate the rehabilitation of a person when:

- (a) Considering the denial of a license by the board under Section 480, or
- (b) Considering suspension or revocation of a license under Section 490.

Each board shall take into account all competent evidence of rehabilitation furnished by the applicant or licensee.

REGULATIONS

11. 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.

12. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1769, subdivision b, states:

When considering the suspension or revocation of a facility or personal license on the ground that the licensee or the registrant has been convicted of a crime, the board in evaluating the rehabilitation of such person and her present eligibility for a license will consider the following:

- (1) The nature and severity of the act(s) or offense(s).
- (2) Total criminal record.
- (3) Time that has elapsed since the commission of the act(s) or offense(s).
- (4) Whether the licensee has complied with all terms of parole, probation, restitution, or any other sanctions lawfully imposed against the licensee.
 - (5) Evidence, if any, of rehabilitation submitted by the licensee.

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.

FACTS

- 14. On or about on or about July 12, 2009, in a criminal proceeding entitled *People v. Loan Ho*, in California Superior Court, Orange County West Justice Center Division, Case Number 08WF0569, Respondent was convicted by her plea of guilty to three separate felony counts of violating of Penal Code section 115 (a) (record false and forged document).
- a. Respondent was sentenced to three (3) years formal probation, ninety (90) days in jail, and restitution. Respondent is scheduled to complete her formal probation on July 12, 2012.
- b The circumstances of the crime are that on or about October 15, 2007, while acting in the capacity of a Notary Public, Respondent helped an acquaintance prepare three (3) false and forged grant deeds, which respondent knew would be recorded under the laws of California, by notarizing four (4) signatures on the grant deeds even though the documents were not signed

before her. The fraudulent grants deeds were subsequently recorded and the underlying real property was immediately used as collateral for cash loans.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct - Dishonest Act)

15. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (f), in that she committed acts involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, deceit, or corruption when she notarized three false and forged grant deeds which Respondent knew would be recorded under the laws of California, by notarizing four (4) signatures on the grant deeds even though the documents were not signed before her, as described in paragraph 14 above, which is incorporated herein by reference.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(July 12, 2009, Conviction of Substantially Related Crime of Recording a Ralse and Forged Document on October 15, 2007)

16. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 490, and 4301, subdivision (l), in that she was convicted of a crime substantially related to the duties, functions and qualifications of a pharmacy technician, as described in paragraph 14 above, which is incorporated herein by reference.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct - Conduct Warranting Denial of Licensure)

17. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (p), in that she committed acts which, if she had committed before she were issued her Pharmacy Technician Registration, would have warranted the denial of her application for licensure in that Respondent helped prepare three false and forged grant deeds, which Respondent knew would be recorded under the laws of California, by notarizing four (4) signatures on the grant deeds even though the documents were not signed before her. As described in paragraph 14 above, which is incorporated herein by reference.

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 Number TCH 56090, issued to Loan T. Ho.
- 2. Ordering Loan T. Ho to pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;
 - 25.3;

 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: 1/25/10. (Republication)

Executive Officer Board of Pharmacy

Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California
Complainant

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