DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER

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3. On or about November 8, 2012, Respondent was served by First Class Mail copies of the Accusation No. 4342, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense, Request for Discovery, and Discovery Statutes (Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7) at Respondent's address of record which, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4100, is required to be reported and maintained with the Board. Respondent's address of record was and is:

Jaylene Binstock 2327 Alice Street Napa, California 94558

- 4. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 136 and/or 4100, and/or title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 1704, Respondent's address of record, and any changes thereto, are required to be reported and maintained with the Board of Pharmacy (Board).
- 5. Service of the Accusation was effective as a matter of law under Government Code section 11505, subdivision (c) and/or Business & Professions Code section 124.
 - 6. Government Code section 11506 states, in pertinent part:
 - (c) The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent files a notice of defense, and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all parts of the accusation not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing, but the agency in its discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing.
- 7. Respondent failed to file a Notice of Defense within 15 days after service upon her of the Accusation, and therefore waived her right to a hearing on the merits of Accusation No. 4342.
 - 8. California Government Code section 11520 states, in pertinent part:
 - (a) If the respondent either fails to file a notice of defense or to appear at the hearing, the agency may take action based upon the respondent's express admissions or upon other evidence and affidavits may be used as evidence without any notice to respondent.
- 9. Pursuant to its authority under Government Code section 11520, the Board finds Respondent is in default. The Board will take action without further hearing and, based on the relevant evidence contained in the Default Decision Evidence Packet in this matter, as well as taking official notice of all the investigatory reports, exhibits and statements contained therein on

file at the Board's offices regarding the allegations contained in Accusation No. 4342, finds that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 4342, are separately and severally, found to be true and correct by clear and convincing evidence.

10. Taking official notice of its own internal records, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3, it is hereby determined that the reasonable costs for Investigation and Enforcement is \$2,352.50 as of January 15, 2013.

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

- 1. Based on the foregoing findings of fact, Respondent Jaylene M. Binstock has subjected her Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH73691 to discipline.
 - 2. The agency has jurisdiction to adjudicate this case by default.
- 3. The Board of Pharmacy is authorized to revoke Respondent's Pharmacy Technician License based upon the following violations alleged in the Accusation which are supported by the evidence contained in the Default Decision Evidence Packet in this case:
- a. Respondent's License is subject to revocation pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4301, subdivision (l), for conviction of a substantially related crime, because on or about October 13, 2011, in *People v. Jaylene Marie Binstock*, Case No CR158224 in Napa County Superior Court, Respondent was convicted of violating Health and Safety Code section 11350, subdivision (a) (possession of controlled substance) and Penal Code section 484/488 (petty theft).

The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about July 7, 2011, Respondent was arrested by an American Canyon Police Officer for being under the influence of a controlled substance. Respondent was in possession of Vicodin (62 tablets), Diazepam (13 tablets), Alprazolam (16 tablets), without a valid prescription, twelve used hypodermic needles, and three packaged hypodermic needles. Respondent informed the officer that she had taken unprescribed Valium, Xanax, Celexa, and Norco, and that she injected herself with Valium earlier that day.

Respondent was employed as a pharmacy technician at Veterans Home of California – Pharmacy Service, in Yountville, California from June 12, 2007 until Respondent voluntarily resigned from her position on July 21, 2011. An investigation and inventory of controlled

ORDER IT IS SO ORDERED that Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH73691, heretofore issued to Respondent Jaylene M. Binstock, is revoked. Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The agency in its discretion may vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute. This Decision shall become effective on October 14, 2013. It is so ORDERED ON September 12, 2013. **BOARD OF PHARMACY** DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA By **Board President**

Exhibit A

Accusation

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9	BEFORE THE BOARD OF PHARMACY		
10	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 4342		
12	JAYLENE M. BINSTOCK 2327 Alice Street A C C U S A T I O N		
13	Napa, California 94558		
14	Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH73691		
15	Respondent.		
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17	Complainant alleges:		
18	<u>PARTIES</u>		
19	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity		
20	as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs.		
21	2. On or about January 22, 2007, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician		
22	License Number TCH73691 to Jaylene M. Binstock (Respondent). The Pharmacy Technician		
23	License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation.		
24	The Pharmacy Technician License expired on June 30, 2012.		
25	JURISDICTION		
26	3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of		
27	Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the		
28	Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.		
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STATUTORY/REGULATORY PROVISIONS

- 4. Section 4300 of the Code states, in pertinent part:
- "(a) Every license issued may be suspended or revoked.
- 5. 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:

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"(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.

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"(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.

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"(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.

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"(1) The conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. The record of conviction of a violation of Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 801) of Title 21 of the United States Code regulating controlled substances or of a violation of the statutes of this state regulating controlled substances or dangerous drugs shall be conclusive evidence of unprofessional conduct. 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

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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. A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this provision. The board may take action when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the iudgment 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 Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing the person to withdraw his or her plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information, or indictment.

"(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency."

6. 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."

7. Section 4060 of the Code states:

"No person shall possess any controlled substance, except that furnished to a person upon the prescription of a physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, or naturopathic doctor..."

8. Section 4022 of the Code states:

"Dangerous drug" or "dangerous device" means any drug or device unsafe for self-use in humans or animals, and includes the following:

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"(c) Any other drug or device that by federal or state law can be lawfully dispensed only on prescription or furnished pursuant to Section 4006."

COST RECOVERY

9. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, 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.

DRUGS

- 10. "Valium" (generic name "Diazepam") is a muscle relaxant used to relieve anxiety. It is a Schedule IV controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11057, subdivision (d)(9), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 11. "Xanax" (generic name "Alprazolam") is used to relieve anxiety. It is a Schedule IV controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11057, subdivision (d)(1), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 12. "<u>Celexa</u>" (generic name "Citalopram") is used to relieve depression. It is a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 13. "Vicodin" (generic name "Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen") is used to relieve moderate to severe pain. It is a Schedule III controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11056, subdivision (e)(4), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 14. "Norco" (generic name "Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen") is used to relieve moderate to severe pain. It is a Schedule III controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11056, subdivision (e)(4), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.

- 15. "Lortab" (generic name "Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen") is used to relieve moderate to severe pain. It is a Schedule III controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11056, subdivision (e)(4), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 16. "Lorcet" (generic name "Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen") is used to relieve moderate to severe pain. It is a Schedule III controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11056, subdivision (e)(4), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 17. "Methadone" is used to relieve addiction and moderate to severe pain that has not been relieve by non-narcotic pain relievers. It is a Schedule II controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11055, subdivision (c)(14), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 18. "Oxycodone HCL" is used to relieve moderate to severe pain. It is a Schedule II controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11055, subdivision (b)(1)(M), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 19. "Lyrica" (generic name "Pregabalin") is used to releave neuropathic pain. It is a Schedule V controlled substance, as designated by Code of Federal Regulations section 1308.15, subdivision (e)(1), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 20. "<u>Librium</u>" (generic name "Chlordiazepoxide") is used to relieve anxiety. It is a Schedule IV controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11057, subdivision (d)(5), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 21. "Klonopin" (generic name "Clonazepam") is used to relieve anxiety. It is a Schedule IV controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11057, subdivision (d)(7), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.
- 22. "Phenobarbital" is an anti-convulsant. It is used to relieve anxiety. It is a Schedule IV controlled substance, as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11057, subdivision (d)(26), and a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.

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Quantity

Lyrica 75 mg capsule

Drug

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct - Conviction of Substantially Related Crime)

- 23. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (l), in that she was convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a pharmacy technician, as defined in title 16, California Code of Regulations, section 1770. The circumstances are set forth in paragraph 24, below.
- 24. On or about October 13, 2011, in *People v. Jaylene Marie Binstock*, Napa County Superior Court case number CR158224, Respondent pled guilty to violating Health and Safety Code section 11350, subdivision (a) (possession of controlled substance) and Penal Code section 484/488 (petty theft). Imposition of sentence was suspended and Respondent was placed on two years probation under terms which included, but were not limited to completion of an 18-month Drug Treatment Program, two days in jail, 40 hours work program, and payment of fines and fees.

The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about July 7, 2011, Respondent was arrested by an American Canyon Police Officer for being under the influence of a controlled substance. Respondent was in possession of Vicodin (62 tablets), Diazepam (13 tablets), Alprazolam (16 tablets), without a valid prescription, and twelve used hypodermic needles, and three packaged hypodermic needles. Binstock informed the officer that she has taken unprescribed Valium, Xanax, Celexa, and Norco, and that she injected herself with Valium earlier that day.

Respondent was employed as a pharmacy technician at Veterans Home of California – Pharmacy Service, in Yountville, California, from June 12, 2007 until Respondent voluntarily resigned from her position on July 21, 2011. An investigation and inventory of controlled substances was conducted after Respondent's July 7, 2011 arrest. The Veterans Home of California – Pharmacy Service completed the inventory on July 12, 2011, and reported to the Drug Enforcement Administration that the following drugs were missing:

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1	Hydrocodone/APAP 5-500 tablet	106	
2	Hydrocodone/APAP 10-325 tablet	584	
3	Chlordiazepoxide 25 mg capsule	94	
4	Diazepam 10 mg tablet	43	
5	Clonazepam .5 mg tablet	100	
6	Alprazolam .5 mg tablet	136	
7	Phenobarbital 15 mg tablet	78	
8	SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE		
9	(Unprofessional Conduct - Violation of State Statutes		
10	Regulating Controlled Substances and Dangerous Drugs)		
11	25. Respondent is subject to disc	iplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivisions (j)	
12	and (o), in that she engaged in unprofessional conduct by violating a statute of this state		
13	regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs, namely Code section 4060. The		
14	circumstances are set forth in paragraph 24, above.		
15	THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE		
16	(Unprofessional Conduct - Dishonesty)		
17	26. Respondent is subject to disc	iplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (f)	
18	in that she engaged in unprofessional conduct by committing an act of dishonesty, namely petty		
19	theft. The circumstances are set forth in paragraph 24, above.		
20	FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE		
21	(Unprofessional C	onduct - Use of Dangerous Drug)	
22	27. Respondent is subject to disc	iplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (h)	
23	in that she engaged in unprofessional con	duct by administering to herself and/or using controlled	
24	substances and/or dangerous drugs, in a r	manner dangerous to herself and/or to the public.	
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