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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 4368

DENISE VILLALVA
910 E. Hydepark Blvd.
Inglewood, CA 90302

Pharmacy Technician Registration No.
TCH 104569

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 January 29, 2014.

It is so ORDERED on January 24, 2014.

BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Registration No. TCH 104569 to Denise Villalva ("Respondent"). The Pharmacy Technician

Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 4368 and will expire on October 31, 2013, unless renewed.

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# JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 4368 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 June 3, 2013. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 4368 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

### ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 4368. 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. 4368, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders her Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 104569 for the Board's formal acceptance.
- 9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of her Pharmacy Technician Registration without further process.

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#### CONTINGENCY

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- 10. 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.
- 11. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 12. 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.
- 13. 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 104569, issued to Respondent Denise Villalva, is surrendered and accepted by the Board of Pharmacy.

1. 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 of Pharmacy.

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- 2. 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.
- 3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board her pocket license and, if one was issued, her wall certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 4. If she ever applies for licensure or petitions for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a new application for licensure. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for licensure in effect at the time the application or petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 4368 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the application or petition.
- 5. Respondent stipulates that should she apply for any license from the board on or after the effective date of this decision, investigation and prosecution costs in the amount of \$3,697.50 shall be paid to the board prior to issuance of the license.
- 6. If Respondent should 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. 4368 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.
- 7. Respondent may not apply for any license, permit, or registration from the board for three (3) years from the effective date of this decision. Respondent stipulates that should 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.
- 8. 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 certification by a nationally recognized body prior to the issuance of a new license. Respondent is required to report this surrender as disciplinary action.

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ACCEPTANCE 1 I have carefully read the Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I understand the 2 stipulation and the effect it will have on my Pharmacy Technician Registration. I enter into this 3 Stipulated Surrender of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to 4 be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Pharmacy. 5 6 7 il la Onco 8 9 Respondent 10 11 **ENDORSEMENT** 12 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. 13 14 Respectfully submitted, 12/13/2013 .15 KAMALA D. HARRIS Attorney General of California 16 MARCD, GREENBAUM. Supervising Deputy Attorney General 17 18 19 ZACHARY T. FANSELÓW Deputy Attorney General 20 Auorneys for Complainant 21 22 LA2012507235 23 51420470.doc 24 25 26

Exhibit A

Accusation No. 4368

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13	Inglewood, CA 90302	
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15	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.	
22	2. On or about June 29, 2010, the Board of Pharmacy ("Board") issued Pharmacy	
23	Technician Registration No. TCH 104569 to Denise Villalva ("Respondent"). The Pharmacy	
24	Technician Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought	
25	herein and will expire on October 31, 2013, unless renewed.	
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 118, subdivision (b), provides in pertinent part that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

- 5... Section 490 states, in pertinent part:
- "(a) In addition to any other action that a board is permitted to take against a licensee, 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.
- "(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a board may exercise any authority to discipline a licensee for conviction of a crime that is independent of the authority granted under subdivision (a) only if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the licensee's license was issued.
- (c) 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 that 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."
- Section 4300 provides, in pertinent part, that every license issued by the Board is subject to discipline, including suspension or revocation.
  - 7. 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 issued by mistake. Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:

"(g) Knowingly making or signing any certificate or other document that falsely represents the existence or nonexistence of a state of facts.

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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.

"(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 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 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 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."

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#### REGULATORY PROVISIONS

8. 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**

9. 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.

#### **CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

- 10. "Marijuana," is a Schedule I controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code section 11054, subdivision (d)(13), and is categorized as a dangerous drug pursuant to section 4022.
- 11. "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 Business and Professions Code section 4022.

#### FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

## (Conviction of a Substantially Related Crime)

12. Respondent's license is subject to discipline under sections 4301, subdivision (I) and 490, in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, in that Respondent has been convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a pharmacy technician. On or about June 27, 2011, after pleading nolo contendere, Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of violating Health and Safety Code section 11377, subdivision (a) [possession of a controlled substance] in the criminal proceeding entitled

The People of the State of California v. Denise Villalva (Super. Ct. Los Angeles County, 2011, No. 1IG02641). The Court sentenced Respondent to serve two (2) days in Los Angeles County Jail and placed her on probation for a period of twelve (12) months, with terms and conditions. The circumstances surrounding the conviction are that on or about April 10, 2011, Inglewood Police Department officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle Respondent was a passenger in. While speaking to Respondent the officer detected an odor of Marijuana emitting from the vehicle. The officer conducted a search of the vehicle and found in Respondent's purse a plastic bottle containing a green leafy substance resembling Marijuana and two clear plastic baggies inside a white plastic container that contained a white crystal like substance resembling Methamphetamine. Respondent was subsequently arrested for violating Health and Safety Code 10 section 11357, subdivision (b) [possession of marijuana], and Health and Safety Code section 11377, subdivision (a) [possession of a controlled substance]. SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE 13 (Possession of a Controlled Substance) 14 Respondent's license is subject to discipline under section 4301, subdivisions (j) and 15 (o), in that on or about April 10, 2011, Respondent was found to be in possession of a controlled 16 substance. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth 17 above in paragraph 12, as though set forth fully. 18 THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE 19 (Knowingly Making a False Statement of Fact) 20 21

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Respondent's license is subject to discipline under section 4301, subdivision (g), in that Respondent knowingly made a false statement of fact to the Board by failing to disclose her 2011 conviction on her renewal application for licensure. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraph 12, as though set forth fully. IIIIIIIII

## <u>PRAYER</u>

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board issue a decision:

- 1. Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 104569, issued to Denise Villalva;
- 2. Ordering Denise Villalva to pay the Board the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to section 125.3; and
  - 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: 5/9/13

VIRGINIA HEROLD

Executive Officer Board of Pharmacy

Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California Complainant

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