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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 4481

JASON PEREZ 9025 Willis Ave. Unit 112 Panorama City, CA 91402 Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 73032

Respondent.

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order for Surrender 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 February 25, 2015.

It is so ORDERED on February 18, 2015.

BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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9	BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
10	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against; Case No. 4481
12	JASON PEREZ
13	9025 Willis Ave, Unit 112 Panorama City, CA 91402 STIPULATED SURRENDER OF
14	Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH LICENSE AND ORDER 73032
15	Respondent.
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17	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
18	entitled proceedings that the following matters are true;
19	PARTIES
20	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy,
21	She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by Kamala
22	D. Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, by Michael Brown, Deputy Attorney
23	General.
24	2. Jason Perez (Respondent) is representing himself in this proceeding and has chosen
25	not to exercise his right to be represented by counsel.
26	3. On or about November 9, 2006, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician
27	Registration No. TCH 73032 to Jason Perez (Respondent). The Pharmacy Technician
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2	4. Accusation No. 4481 was filed before the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of
3	Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other
4	statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on November 5, 2013.
5	Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation
6	No. 4481 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.
7	ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS
8	5. Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in
9	Accusation No. 4481. Respondent also has carefully read, and understands the effects of this
10	Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
11	6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a
12	hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, a
13	his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to
14	present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compe
15	the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and
. 16	court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California
17	Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
18	7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
19	every right set forth above.
20	CULPABILITY
21.	8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation
. 22	No. 4481, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders his Pharmacy Technician
23	Registration No. TCH 73032 for the Board's formal acceptance.
. 24	9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he enables the Board to issue
25	an order accepting the surrender of his Pharmacy Technician Registration without further process
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CONTINGENCY

2 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 3 communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or 4 participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that S he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board 6 considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, 7 8 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 9 be disgualified from further action by having considered this matter. 10

11 11. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile
12 copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including Portable Document Format
13 (PDF) and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

14 12. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an
15 Integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement,
16 It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions,
17 negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order
18 may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing
19 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:

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 73032, issued
 to Respondent Jason Perez, is surrendered and accepted by the Board of Pharmacy.

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 3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board his pocket license and, if one was
4 issued, his wall certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.

4. 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.

8 5. 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 he or 9 she apply for any license from the board on or after the effective date of this decision, all 10 11 allegations set forth in the accusation shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by 12 Respondent when the board determines whether to grant or deny the application. Respondent 13 shall satisfy all requirements applicable to that license as of the date the application is submitted 14 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 15 action, 16

17 6. Respondent shall pay the agency its costs of investigation and enforcement in the
18 amount of \$1350.00 prior to issuance of a new or reinstated license.

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. 4481 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.

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<u>ACCEPTANCE</u>

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 Stipulated Surrender of License (Case No. 4481)



1	DATED:	
2	JASON PEREZ	
3	Respondent	
4	ENDORSEMENT	
5	The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted	A
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	for consideration by the Board of Pharmacy of the Department of Consumer Affairs.	
7	Dated: January <u>23</u> , 2015 Respectfully submitted,	
8 9	KAMALA D. HARRIS Attorney General of California	
10	ARMANDO ZAMBRANO Supervising Deputy Attorney General	
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13	MICHAEL BROWN Deputy Attorney General	
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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 4481

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. 14	Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 73032
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16	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 November 9, 2006, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician
23	Registration No. TCH 73032 to Jason Perez (Respondent). The Pharmacy Technician
. 24	Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and
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2	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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STATUTORY PROVISIONS

2 4. Section 118, subdivision (b), provides that the suspension/expiration/surrender/ cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Board/Registrar/Director of jurisdiction to proceed 3 with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

Section 4300 provides, in pertinent part, that every license issued by the Board is 5. 6 subject to disciple, including suspension or revocation. 7

> Section 4300.1 of the Code states: 6.

"The expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, or suspension of a board-issued license by 9 operation of law or by order or decision of the board or a court of law, the placement of a license 10 on a retired status, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee shall not deprive the board 11 of jurisdiction to commence or proceed with any investigation of, or action or disciplinary 12 proceeding against, the licensee or to render a decision suspending or revoking the license." 13

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Section 4301 states, in pertinent part: 7.

"The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional 15 conduct or whose license has been procured by fraud or misrepresentation or issued by mistake. 16 Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following: 17

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"(f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or 19 corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of relations as a licensee or otherwise, and 20whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not. 21

"(i) The violation of any of the statutes of this state, of any other state, or of the United 23 States regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs. 24

"(o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the 26 violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the applicable 27

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2 Accusation federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations established by the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency."

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.

10. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE / DANGEROUS DRUG

a. "Loestrin," is categorized as a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions
Code section 4022.

b. "Paxil" is categorized as a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code
section 4022.

c. "Vicodin," is a Schedule III controlled substance as defined in Health and Safety Code section 11056, subdivision (e)(7) and are categorized as dangerous drugs according to section 4022.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Acts Involving Moral Turpitude, Dishonesty, Fraud, Deceit, or Corruption).

11. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 4300 and 4301,

subdivision (f), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent committed acts

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3 Accusation involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption with the intent to substantially benefit himself, or substantially injure another, as follows:

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On or about December 20, 2010, the Los Angeles Police Department responded to a 3 a: call from CVS in Hollywood, California where Respondent was employed. The Loss Prevention 4 Manager for CVS informed the officers that she had received information that Respondent was 5 stealing drugs from the pharmacy, When asked about stealing drugs, Respondent admitted to б stealing Vicodin, Paxil and Loestrin from the pharmacy. In addition, Respondent stated that he stole Vicodin about once every 2 months, an average of 40-60 pills each time, Paxil once a month for the past 7 months, and Loestrin one time. Respondent was subsequently arrested for violating 9 Penal Code section 487, subdivision (a) [grand theft]. 10

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct/ Violation of Licensing Chapter)

12. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (j) and (o), in that Respondent committed acts of unprofessional conduct and/ or violated provisions of the licensing chapter. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraph 11, subparagraph (a), as though set forth fully.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Possession of a Controlled Substance Without a Prescription)

Respondent is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct under Code 13. section 4301, subdivision (i), in that Respondent stole Vicodin, Paxil and Loestrin from the pharmacy while working as a pharmacy technician at CVS Pharmacy. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraph 11, subparagraph (a), as though set forth fully.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Substantially Related Act)

14. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent committed an act substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a pharmacy technician.

> 4 Accusation

Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraph 11, subparagraph (a), as though set forth fully.

PRAYER

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 73032, issued to Jason Perez;

Ordering Jason Perez to pay the Board the reasonable costs of the investigation and 2. 8 enforcement of this case, pursuant to section 125.3; and

> 5 Accusation

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

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VIRGINIA HEROLD Executive Officer Board of Pharmacy Department of Consumer Affairs State of California Complainant