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

In the Matter of the Second Amended Accusation Against:

Case No. 5350

OAH No. 2015010585

RAYMOND CHUNG 144 Anza Street San Francisco, CA 94118

Pharmacist License No. RPH 68467

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 October 16, 2015.

It is so ORDERED on September 16, 2015.

BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By

Amy Gutierrez, Pharm.D. Board President

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3	144 Anza StreetSTIPULATED SURRENDER OFSan Francisco, CA 94118LICENSE AND ORDER		
4	Pharmacist License No. RPH 68467		
5	Respondent.		
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	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-		
	entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:		
	PARTIES		
	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy.		
	She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by Kamala		
	D. Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, by Nicholas Tsukamaki, Deputy Attorney		
	General.		
	2. Raymond Chung (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney Paul		
;	Chan, whose address is: 2311 Capitol Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95816.		
	3. On or about November 28, 2012, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacist License		
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	No. RPH 68467 to Raymond Chung (Respondent). The Pharmacist License was in full force and		

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effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Second Amended Accusation No. 5350 and will expire on August 31, 2016, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

4 4. Second Amended Accusation No. 5350 was filed before the Board of Pharmacy
5 (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The
6 Second Amended Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served
7 on Respondent on April 10, 2015. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the
8 Second Amended Accusation. A copy of Second Amended Accusation No. 5350 is attached as
9 Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

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ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the
charges and allegations in Second Amended Accusation No. 5350. Respondent also has carefully
read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of
License and 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 Second Amended Accusation; 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.

22 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
23 every right set forth above.

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<u>CULPABILITY</u>

8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Second
Amended Accusation No. 5350, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders his
Pharmacist License No. RPH 68467 for the Board's formal acceptance.

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Stipulated Surrender of License (Case No. 5350)

9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of his Pharmacist License without further process.

<u>CONTINGENCY</u>

This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Pharmacy. Respondent 10. 4 understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of Pharmacy may 5 communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender without notice to or 6 participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands 7 and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the 8 time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its 9 Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or 10 effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, 11 and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter. 12

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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.

16 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.
18 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.

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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:

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pharmacist License No. RPH 68467, issued to Respondent Raymond Chung, is surrendered and accepted by the Board of Pharmacy.

The surrender of Respondent's Pharmacist License 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.

3 2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a pharmacist in California as of the
4 effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.

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

7 4. Respondent may not apply, reapply, or petition for any licensure or registration of the
8 Board for three (3) years from the effective date of the Decision and Order.

5. If Respondent 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 is
filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Second Amended Accusation No. 5350
shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines
whether to grant or deny the application.

15 6. Respondent shall pay the agency its costs of investigation and enforcement in the
amount of \$13,010.50 prior to issuance of a new license.

17 7. If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or
 18 petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of
 19 California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Second Amended Accusation No. 5350
 20 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement
 21 of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.

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I have curefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of License and Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney. Paul Chan. 4 understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Pharmacist License. 1 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.

8 DATED:

RAYMOND (GULINO Respondent

1 have read and fully discussed with Respondent Raymond Chang the terms and codditions and other matters contained in this Supulated Surrender of License and Order. Fapprove its form and content.

DATED 8/12/15

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Attorney for Respondent

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The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of Lioense and Order is herein, respectfully supmitted for consideration by the Board of Planmacy of the Department of Consumer Atlance

August 12, 2015

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Exhibit A

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STATUTORY PROVISIONS

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Section 4301 of the Code provides, in pertinent part:

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"(f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or 22 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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COSTS

9 9. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the 10 administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of 11 the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and 12 enforcement of the case, with failure of the licentiate to comply subjecting the license to not being 13 renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and enforcement costs may be 14 included in a stipulated settlement.

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FACTUAL BACKGROUND

10. Between October 2013 and October 2014, Respondent was employed as a Staff Pharmacist at California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC) in San Francisco, California.

11. On or about October 10, 2014, CPMC discovered that Respondent had accessed one of his co-worker's protected healthcare information (PHI) through CPMC's electronic health records.

21 12. On or about October 15, 2014, Respondent's supervisor and a CPMC privacy officer
22 met with Respondent. During that meeting Respondent admitted that he had accessed his co23 worker's PHI through CPMC's electronic health records.

CPMC later learned that Respondent had inappropriately accessed and viewed the
PHI of nineteen (19) CPMC employees during the months of January, April, June, July, August,
September, and October 2014. The types of PHI that Respondent accessed and viewed included
medications, encounters, clinical notes, problem list, and history, among others. Respondent was
not authorized to access or view any of that PHI. CPMC also learned that Respondent had

inappropriately accessed and viewed certain non-PHI personal information (including medical
 record number, patient name, sex, date of birth, address, and phone number) of seven (7) other
 CPMC employees. Respondent was not authorized to access or view any of that information. All
 twenty-six (26) employees were Respondent's colleagues in CPMC's Pharmacy Department.

14. CPMC further learned that Respondent accessed and viewed the PHI of seven (7)
employees and certain non-PHI personal information of three (3) other employees, all of whom
worked in CPMC's Emergency Department. Respondent was not authorized to access or view
any of that PHI or non-PHI personal information.

9 15. CPMC later determined that Respondent inappropriately accessed and/or viewed the
10 PHI and/or non-PHI personal information of hundreds of other CPMC patients.

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FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct)

16. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301 of the Code for unprofessional conduct in that Respondent improperly accessed confidential healthcare information and other personal information. The circumstances of Respondent's conduct are set forth above in paragraphs 10 through 15.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct - Inappropriate Exercise of Education, Training, and Experience)

17. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 4301, subdivision (o) and
4306.5, subdivision (a) of the Code for unprofessional conduct in that Respondent used his
education, training, and/or experience as a pharmacist, as well as his employment as a pharmacist
at CPMC and the access that employment gave him to CPMC's patient records, to improperly
access confidential healthcare information and other personal information. The circumstances of
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THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Commission of Acts Involving Moral Turpitude)

18. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (f) of the
Code in that Respondent, by improperly accessing confidential healthcare information and other

1	personal information, committed acts involving moral turpitude. The circumstances of		
2	Respondent's conduct are set forth above in paragraphs 10 through 15.		
3	PRAYER		
4	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,		
5	and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:		
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8	2. Ordering Raymond Chung to pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the		
9	investigation and enforcement of this case pursuant to Business and Professions Code section		
10	125.3;		
11	3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.		
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		FIRST AMENDED ACCUSATION

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17 Pharmacist at California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC) in San Francisco, California.

18 11. On or about October 10, 2014, CPMC discovered that Respondent had accessed one
of his co-worker's protected healthcare information (PHI) through CPMC's electronic health
records.

21 12. On or about October 15, 2014, Respondent's supervisor and a CPMC privacy officer
22 met with Respondent. During that meeting Respondent admitted that he had accessed his co23 worker's PHI through CPMC's electronic health records.

13. CPMC later learned that Respondent had inappropriately accessed and viewed the
PHI of nineteen (19) CPMC employees during the months of January, April, June, July, August,
September, and October 2014. The types of PHI that Respondent accessed and viewed included
medications, encounters, clinical notes, problem list, and history, among others. Respondent was
not authorized to access or view any of that PHI. CPMC also learned that Respondent had

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ACCUSATION

1	inappropriately accessed and viewed certain non-PHI personal information (including medical
2	record number, patient name, sex, date of birth, address, and phone number) of seven (7) other
3	CPMC employees. Respondent was not authorized to access or view any of that information. All
4	twenty-six (26) employees were Respondent's colleagues in CPMC's Pharmacy Department.
5	14. CPMC further learned that Respondent accessed and viewed the PHI of three (3)
6	nurses who worked in CPMC's Emergency Department. Respondent was not authorized to
7	access or view any of that PHI,
8	FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
9	(Unprofessional Conduct)
10	15. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 4301, subdivision (o) and
11	4306.5, subdivision (a) of the Code for unprofessional conduct in that Respondent used his
12	education, training, and/or experience as a pharmacist, as well as his employment as a pharmacist
13	at CPMC and the access that employment gave him to CPMC's patient records, to improperly
4	access confidential healthcare information and other personal information. The circumstances of
15	Respondent's conduct are set forth above in paragraphs 10 through 14.
16	SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
17	(Commission of Acts Involving Moral Turpitude)
8	16. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (f) of the
19	Code in that Respondent, by improperly accessing confidential healthcare information and other
20	personal information, committed acts involving moral turpitude. The circumstances of
21	Respondent's conduct are set forth above in paragraphs 10 through 14.
22	PRAYER
23	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,
24	and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:
25	1. Revoking or suspending Pharmacist License Number RPH 68467 issued to Raymond
26	Chung;
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Ordering Raymond Chung to pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the 2. investigation and enforcement of this case pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3; Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper. 3. DATED: VIRGINIA HEROLD Executive Officer Board of Pharmacy Department of Consumer Affairs State of California Complainant \$F2014410337 41136277.doc ACCUSATION

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

In the Matter of the Petition for Interim Suspension Order Against:

RAYMOND CHUNG,

Pharmacist License No. RPH 68467

Respondent.

Case No. AC 2014 5350

OAH No. 2014110571

-DECISION-

Administrative Law Judge Ruth S. Astle, State of California, Office of Administrative Hearings, heard this matter in Oakland, California, on December 11, 2014.

Nicholas Tsukamaki, Deputy Attorney General, represented complainant.

Respondent was present and represented by Paul Chan, Attorney at Law.

The matter was submitted on December 11, 2014.

FACTUAL FINDINGS

1. On November 18, 2014, Virginia Herold, Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs petitioned the Office of Administrative Hearings for an Interim Suspension Order under Business and Professions Code section 494, suspending respondent Raymond Chung, Pharmacist License No. RPH 68467, from working as a pharmacist pending the outcome of these proceedings.

2. Respondent was timely served with a copy of the Petition for Interim Order of Suspension of License.

3. A hearing on the petition was held on December 11, 2014. Complaint filed three declarations and respondent did not file any declarations. Oral argument was presented by both sides.

4. It was established by a preponderance of the evidence that respondent's continued practice as a pharmacist would endanger the public health, safety, and welfare in that between April and October 2014, respondent was employed as a staff pharmacist at California Pacific Medical Center (CPMC) in San Francisco, California. Respondent inappropriately accessed and viewed the Personal Health Information (PHI) of 16 CPMC employees during the months of April, June, July, August, September, and October 2014. The types of PHI the respondent accessed and viewed included medications, encounters, clinical notes, problem list, and history. Respondent was not authorized to access or view any of that PHI. Respondent also inappropriately accessed and viewed certain non-PHI information including the medical record number, patient name, gender, date of birth, address, and phone number of eight other CPMC employees. He was not authorized to access or view any of that information. All 24 employees were respondent's colleagues in CPMC's pharmacy department.

5. Respondent was also working as an on-call pharmacist at Kaiser Hospital in Santa Clara, California, at the time of the incidents referred to in Factual Finding 4. It was represented by respondent's counsel that respondent resigned that position on December 2, 2014.

6. Respondent concedes that these activities constitute unprofessional conduct, which they do. However, he argues that they do not constitute conduct involving moral turpitude. Black's Law Dictionary defines moral turpitude as the act of baseness, vileness or the depravity in private or social duties which man owes to his fellow man. It can also include dishonesty. It was not established at this stage of the proceedings, by a preponderance of the evidence, without further facts and circumstances, that respondent's acts involve moral turpitude.

7. Respondent's employment as a pharmacist gave him access to protected healthcare information and other personal information of numerous individuals. Respondent must be prohibited from having access to any personal or private information. An interim suspension order is appropriate to ensure public health, safety, and welfare.

8. The foregoing evidence demonstrates that respondent is subject to an interim suspension order of his pharmacist's license pursuant to Business and Professions Code sections 4301, subdivision (0) (violation of law), 4306.5, subdivision (a) (inappropriate exercise of education and training) and 494 (violation of law).

9. It was established by a preponderance of the evidence that permitting respondent to continue to engage in unrestricted licensed activity of the practice of pharmacy would endanger the public health, safety or welfare because respondent has not demonstrated that he will not continue to access restricted personal information.

LEGAL CONCLUSIONS

1. Cause for issuance of an interim order suspending Pharmacist License No. RPH 68467, issued to Raymond Chung, exists pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 494 by reason of the matters set forth in Factual Findings 4, through 9.

2. The interim suspension order is not based on Business and Professions Code section 4301, subdivision (f) (moral turpitude) pursuant to Factual Finding 6.

ORDER

Pharmacist License No. RPH 68467, issued to Raymond Chung is suspended until an administrative hearing can be held; the charges in an accusation can be heard; and a decision of the Board is issued and effective determining whether respondent should continue to hold a license to practice and, if so, under what conditions, if any, that license to practice should continue.

DATED:

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RUTH S. ASTLE Administrative Law Judge Office of Administrative Hearings