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6	BEFORE THE BOARD OF PHARMACY		
7	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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9	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 5363		
10	KHIN MAUNG LINN DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER		
11	14 Baldwin Ave. Daly City, CA 94015		
12	Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 104231 [Gov. Code, §11520]		
13	Respondent.		
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15	FINDINGS OF FACT		
16	1. On or about March 31, 3015, Complainant Virginia K. Herold, in her official capacity		
17	as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs, filed		
18	Accusation No. 5363 against Khin Maung Linn (Respondent) before the Board of Pharmacy. (A		
19	copy of the Accusation is attached as Exhibit A.)		
20	2. On or about June 24, 2010, the Board of Pharmacy (Board) issued Pharmacy		
21	Technician License No. TCH 104231 to Respondent. The Pharmacy Technician License was in		
22	full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 5363 and will		
23	expire on May 31, 2016, unless renewed.		
- 24	3. On or about April 16, 2015, Respondent was served by Certified and First Class Mail		
25	with copies of: Accusation No. 5363; a Statement to Respondent; a Notice of Defense (2 copies);		
26	a Request for Discovery; and the text of the Discovery Statutes (Government Code sections		
27	11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7), at Respondent's address of record which was and is: 14 Baldwin		
28	Ave., Daly City, CA 94015.		
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- 4. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 136 and/or 4100, and/or California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1704, Respondent's address of record, and any changes thereto, are required to be reported and maintained with the 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 of the Accusation, and therefore waived his right to a hearing on the merits of Accusation No. 5363.
  - 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. 5363, finds that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 5363, 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 are \$1,325.50 as of September 28, 2015.

#### **DETERMINATION OF ISSUES**

1. Based on the foregoing findings of fact, Respondent Khin Maung Linn has subjected his Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 104231 to discipline.

**ORDER** 1 IT IS SO ORDERED that Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 104231, heretofore 2 issued to Respondent Khin Maung Linn, is revoked. 3 Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a 4 written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within 5 seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The agency in its discretion may 6 vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute. 7 This Decision shall become effective on December 18, 2015. 8 It is so ORDERED November 18, 2015. 9 10 BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS 11 STATE OF CALIFORNIA 12 13 14 By 15 Amy Gutierrez, Pharm.D. 16 **Board President** 17 41382000.DOC DOJ Matter ID:SF2015400179 18 Attachment: 19 Exhibit A: Accusation 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

# Exhibit A

Accusation

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11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 5363		
12	KHIN MAUNG LINN 14 Baldwin Ave.			
13	Daly City, CA 94015	ACCUSATION		
14	Pharmacy Technician License No. TCH 104231			
15	Respondent.			
16	Complainant alleges:			
17	<u>PARTIES</u>			
18	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity			
19	as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs.			
20	2. On or about June 24, 2010, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician			
21	License No. TCH 104231 to Khin Maung Linn (Respondent). The License was in full force and			
22	effect at all times relevant to the charges herein and will expire on May 31, 2016, unless renewed			
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24	JURISDICTION			
25	3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of			
26	Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the			
27	Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.			
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- 4. Section 4011 of the Code provides that the Board shall administer and enforce both the Pharmacy Law [Bus. & Prof. Code, § 4000 et seq.] and the Uniform Controlled Substances Act [Health & Safety Code, § 11000 et seq.].
- 5. Section 4300(a) of the Code provides that every license issued by the Board may be suspended or revoked.
- 6. Section 4300.1 of the Code provides that the expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, or suspension of a Board-issued license, the placement of a license on a retired status, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee, shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to commence or proceed with any investigation of, or action or disciplinary proceeding against, the licensee or to render a decision suspending or revoking the license.

## STATUTORY AND REGULATORY PROVISIONS

- 7. Section 4301 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of "unprofessional conduct," defined to include, but not be 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.
- (j) The violation of any of the statutes of this state, of any other state, or of the United States regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs.
- (l) The conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter.
- (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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- 8. Section 490 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may suspend or revoke a license when it finds that the licensee has been convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of the license.
- 9. Section 4060 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that no person shall possess any controlled substance, except that furnished upon a valid prescription/drug order.
- 10. Health and Safety Code section 11350, in pertinent part, makes it unlawful to possess any controlled substance listed in Schedule II (Health and Safety Code section 11055), subdivision (b) or (c), or any narcotic drug in Schedules III-V, absent a valid prescription.
  - 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 her license or registration in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare."

12. 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 of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed its reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement.

### CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES / DANGEROUS DRUGS

- 13. Section 4021 of the Code states:
- "Controlled substance' means any substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code."
  - 14. Section 4022 of the Code states, in pertinent part:
- "Dangerous drug' or 'dangerous device' means any drug or device unsafe for self use, except veterinary drugs that are labeled as such, and includes the following:
- "(a) Any drug that bears the legend: 'Caution: federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription,' 'Rx only,' or words of similar import.

"(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."

15. Cocaine is a Schedule I (in base/rock/crack form) or Schedule II controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code sections 11054(f)(1) and 11055(b)(6) and a dangerous drug as designated by Business and Professions Code section 4022. It is a narcotic drug.

#### FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Conviction of Substantially Related Crime(s))

- 16. Respondent is subject to discipline under section 4301(l) and/or section 490 of the Code, by reference to California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, for the conviction of substantially related crime(s), in that on or about April 17, 2014, in the criminal case *People v. Khin Maung Linn*, Case No. NF424006 in San Mateo County Superior Court, Respondent was convicted of violating Penal Code section 460, subdivision (b) (Larceny), a misdemeanor. The conviction was entered as follows:
- a. On or about November 12, 2013, Daly City Police responded to a report by a Chevron gasoline station in Daly City that Respondent had attempted to purchase gasoline using a counterfeit \$100 bill. Upon making contact with Respondent, Daly City Police found him to be in possession of a total of four (4) counterfeit \$100 bills. During an interview, Respondent said the police might also find "several" counterfeit \$10 bills in his home. A search warrant executed at his home found a single counterfeit \$10 bill, and a vial containing a usable quantity of **cocaine**.
- b. On or about December 12, 2013, in *People v. Khin Maung Linn*, Case No. NF424006 in San Mateo County Superior Court, Respondent was charged with violating: (1) Health and Safety Code section 11350, subdivision (a) (Possession of Controlled Substance **cocaine**), a felony; (2) Penal Code section 470, subdivision (d) (Forgery), a felony; (3) Penal Code section 460, subdivision (b) (Larceny), a felony; and (4) Penal Code section 476 (Possess or Pass Fictitious Bill, Note, or Check), a felony.

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On or about April 17, 2014, count (3) was amended to substitute a misdemeanor c. count of violating Penal Code section 460, subdivision (b) (Larceny). Respondent pleaded not contendere to this substituted count and was convicted. He also entered a nolo contendere plea as to count (1), and as to this count he was diverted from further prosecution/granted deferred entry of judgment for a period of eighteen (18) months, on specified terms and conditions including successful completion of rehabilitation efforts. Counts (2) and (4) were dismissed pursuant to the plea. As to count (3), imposition of sentence was suspended and Respondent was placed on court probation for a period of two (2) years, on terms and conditions including fifteen (15) days in jail (with alternative sentencing recommendation), search conditions, and fines and fees.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

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

17. Respondent is subject to discipline under section 4301(f) of the Code, in that, as described in paragraph 16 above, Respondent committed acts involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption...

#### THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Possession of Controlled Substance(s))

Respondent is subject to discipline under section 4301(j) and/or (o) and/or section 18. 4060 of the Code, and/or Health and Safety Code section 11350, in that Respondent, as described n paragraph 16 above, possessed, conspired to possess, and/or assisted in or abetted possession of, a controlled substance, without a prescription.

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### FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct)

19. Respondent is subject to discipline under section 4301 of the Code in that, as described in paragraphs 16-18 above, Respondent engaged in unprofessional conduct.

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#### **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 License No. TCH 104231, issued to Khin Maung Linn (Respondent);
- 2. Ordering Respondent to pay the Board the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;
  - 3. Taking such other and further action as is deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: 3/3/15

VIRGINIA HEROLD Executive Officer

Board of Pharmacy

Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California Complainant

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