BEFORE THE BOARD OF PHARMACY		
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 5659		
JESSICA JE TONNE RAMIREZ		
1701 Marshall Road, Apt. 202 Vacaville, CA 95687 DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER		
Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 74236		
Respondent. [Gov. Code, §11520]		
FINDINGS OF FACT		
1. On or about February 5, 2016, Complainant Virginia K. Herold, in her official		
capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs,		
filed Accusation No. 5659 against Jessica Je Tonne Ramirez (Respondent) before the Board of		
Pharmacy. (Accusation attached as Exhibit A.)		
2. On or about February 1, 2007, the Board of Pharmacy (Board) issued Pharmacy		
Technician Registration No. TCH 74236 to Respondent. The Pharmacy Technician Registration		
was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 5659		
and will expire on February 28, 2017, unless renewed.		
3. On or about February 19, 2016, Respondent was served by Certified and First Class		
Mail copies of the Accusation No. 5659, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense, Request		
for Discovery, and Discovery Statutes (Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and		
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DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

- 1. Based on the foregoing findings of fact, Respondent Jessica Je Tonne Ramirez has subjected her Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 74236 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 Registration 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 is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301(h) of the Code in that Respondent self administered a controlled substance. In or about May 2015, Respondent used marijuana without a prescription or recommendation.
- b. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301(j) of the code in that Respondent violated the drug laws of California. In or about May 2015, Respondent possessed marijuana in violation of Health and Safety Code 11357 and Business and Professions code 4060.

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ORDER IT IS SO ORDERED that Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 74236, heretofore issued to Respondent Jessica Je Tonne Ramirez, 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 at 5:00 p.m. on June 17, 2016. It is so ORDERED on May 18, 2016. **BOARD OF PHARMACY** DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA ByAmy Gutierrez, Pharm.D. **Board President** Attachment: Exhibit A: Accusation

Exhibit A

Accusation

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12	JESSICA JE TONNE RAMIREZ 1701 Marshall Road, Apt. 202			
13	Vacaville, CA 95687	ACCUSATION		
14	Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 74236			
- 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 February 1, 2007, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Technician			
22	Registration Number TCH 74236 to Jessica Je Tonne Ramirez (Respondent). The Pharmacy			
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- 4. Section 4300 of the Code states:
- "(a) Every license issued may be suspended or revoked.
- "(b) The board shall discipline the holder of any license issued by the board, whose default has been entered or whose case has been heard by the board and found guilty, by any of the following methods:
 - "(1) Suspending judgment.
 - "(2) Placing him or her upon probation.
 - "(3) Suspending his or her right to practice for a period not exceeding one year.
 - "(4) Revoking his or her license.
- "(5) Taking any other action in relation to disciplining him or her as the board in its discretion may deem proper.

"(e) The proceedings under this article shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code, and the board shall have all the powers granted therein. The action shall be final, except that the propriety of the action is subject to review by the superior court pursuant to Section 1094.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure."

5. Section 4300.1 of the Code states:

"The expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, or suspension of a board-issued license by operation of law or by order or decision of the board or a court of law, 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."

6. 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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"(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.

"(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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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 pursuant to Section 3640.7, or furnished pursuant to a drug order issued by a certified nurse-midwife pursuant to Section 2746.51, a nurse practitioner pursuant to Section 2836.1, or a physician assistant pursuant to Section 3502.1, or naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.5, or a pharmacist pursuant to either subparagraph (D) of paragraph (4) of, or clause (iv) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (5) of, subdivision (a) of Section 4052. This section shall not apply to the possession of any controlled substance by a manufacturer, wholesaler, pharmacy, pharmacist, physician, podiatrist, dentist, optometrist, veterinarian, naturopathic doctor, certified nurse-midwife, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant, when in stock in containers correctly labeled with the name and address of the supplier or producer.

"Nothing in this section authorizes a certified nurse-midwife, a nurse practitioner, a physician assistant, or a naturopathic doctor, to order his or her own stock of dangerous drugs and devices."

- 8. Health and Safety Code Section 11357, subsection (b), states:
- "(b) Except as authorized by law, every person who possesses not more than 28.5 grams of marijuana, other than concentrated cannabis, is guilty of an infraction punishable by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100)."

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COSTS

9. Section 125.3 of the Code 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.

DRUGS INVOLVED

10. Marijuana is a controlled substance pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 11054, subsection(d)(13), and a Dangerous Drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022. It has various medical and recreational uses.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Self Administration of a Controlled Substance)

11. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301(h) of the Code in that Respondent self administered a controlled substance. In or about May 2015, Respondent used marijuana without a prescription or recommendation.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Violation of Drug Laws)

12. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4301(j) of the code in that Respondent violated the drug laws of California. In or about May 2015, Respondent possessed marijuana in violation of Health and Safety Code 11357 and Business and Professions code 4060.

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:

- Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Technician Registration Number TCH 74236, issued to Jessica Je Tonne Ramirez
- Ordering Jessica Je Tonne Ramirez to pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;

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