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8	BEFORE THE
9	BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
10	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
11 .	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 5312
12	CASEY M. O'LEARY 14171 Calle Domingo  ACCUSATION
13	Victorville, CA 92392
14	Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 104680
15	Respondent.
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18	Complainant alleges:
19	<u>PARTIES</u>
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 July 7, 2010, the Board of Pharmacy ("Board") issued Pharmacy
23	Technician Registration No. TCH 104680 to Casey M. O'Leary ("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, 2015, unless renewed.
26	<u>JURISDICTION</u>
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 4300 provides in pertinent part, that every license issued by the Boards is subject to discipline, including suspension or revocation.
  - 5. Section 4300.1 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."

### STATUTORY AND REGULATORY PROVISIONS

6. 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:

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

- "(k) The conviction of more than one misdemeanor or any felony involving the use, consumption, or self-administration of any dangerous drug or alcoholic beverage, or any combination of those substances.
- "(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

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indictment."

California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, states: 7.

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

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

iudgment 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

or dangerous drugs, to determine if the conviction is of an offense substantially related to the

of this provision. The board may take action when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the

guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information, or

"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**

8. Section 125.3 provides, 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, with failure of the licentiate to comply subjecting the license to not being

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renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and enforcement costs may be included in a stipulated settlement.

### FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

### (Conviction of Substantially Related Crime)

- 9. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (l), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent was convicted of crimes substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a registered pharmacy technician, as follows:
- a. On or about May 15, 2014, after pleading nolo contendere, Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of violating Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (b) [driving while having 0.08% or more, by weight, of alcohol in his blood] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Casey Michael OLeary* (Super. Ct. San Bernardino County, 2014, No. TVI1400086.) The Court sentenced Respondent to serve 20 days in San Bernardino County Jail, ordered him to attend a multiple offender DUI program, ordered him to attend 36 AA/NA meetings, and placed him on 36 months probation, with terms and conditions.
- b. The circumstances surrounding the conviction are that on or about November 16, 2013, Respondent was involved in a traffic collision where he rear-ended another vehicle. When a California Highway Patrol officer spoke to Respondent, he could smell the odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting from Respondent's breath and noticed that his eyes were red and watery. When asked how much he had to drink, Respondent stated he had four Samuel Adams beers. Respondent was unable to perform several field sobriety tests. Respondent submitted to a preliminary alcohol screening that resulted in a blood-alcohol content level of 0.239%. Later, Respondent submitted to a breath test that resulted in a breath-alcohol content level of 0.21%.

### SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

### (Conviction of Substantially Related Crime)

10. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (I), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, on the grounds of

unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent was convicted of crimes substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a registered pharmacy technician, as follows:

- a. On or about June 21, 2012, after pleading guilty, Respondent was convicted of one misdemeanor count of violating Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (b) [driving while having 0.08% or more, by weight, of alcohol in his blood] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Michael Casey OLeary* (Super. Ct. San Bernardino County, 2012, No. TVI1200968.) The Court sentenced Respondent to serve 5 days in San Bernardino County Jail, ordered him to attend a 9 month first offender alcohol program, and placed Respondent on probation for 36 months, with terms and conditions.
- b. The circumstances surrounding the conviction are that on or about March 2, 2012, Respondent was found slumped over behind the wheel of his vehicle in the middle of a street. The vehicle was in drive and Respondent's hand was on the brake. The County Fire Department broke the passenger side window, opened the doors, and placed the vehicle in park. Officers from the San Bernardino County Sherriff's Department arrived on the scene and attempted to extricate Respondent from the vehicle. Respondent was combative, resistant, and attempted to place the vehicle in drive multiple times. Once an officer was finally able to remove Respondent from the vehicle, another officer observed that Respondent had a pale face, his speech was unusually slow, his coordination was poor, and there was a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his breath and person. When asked if he had been drinking any alcoholic beverages, Respondent stated, "yes, approximately two four locos." Respondent submitted to a preliminary alcohol screening that resulted in a blood-alcohol content level of 0.23%.

# THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

# (Dangerous Use of Alcohol)

- 11. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (h), in that Respondent used alcoholic beverages to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to himself, another person, or the public, as follows:
- a. On or about November 16, 2013, Respondent operated a vehicle while having 0.21% of alcohol in his blood. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations

set forth above in paragraph 9, subparagraph (b), as though fully set forth herein.

- b. On or about October 12, 2013, San Bernardino County Sheriffs Department deputies found Respondent in the parking lot of Bass Pro Shop after learning that he had almost been hit by a vehicle. He had very slurred speech and was virtually incomprehensible. He was unable to stand on his own and fell over twice. Respondent had bloodshot, red, watery eyes, an unsteady gait, and a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his breath and person. Respondent was unable to care for his own safety and was arrested for violating Penal Code section 647, subdivision (f) [public intoxication].
- c. On or about March 2, 2012, Respondent operated a vehicle while having 0.23% of alcohol in his blood. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraph 10, subparagraph (B), as though fully set forth herein.

### **FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

## (Convictions Involving Alcohol)

12. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (k), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent sustained more than one misdemeanor conviction involving the consumption of alcohol. Complainant refers to and by this reference incorporates the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 9 and 10, as though fully set forth herein.

#### FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

# (Knowingly Made a False Statement of Fact)

13. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (g), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent knowingly made a false statement of fact when he failed to disclose his June 21, 2012 conviction for driving under the influence of alcohol on his licensure renewal application. The Board received Respondent's renewal application on September 20, 2013. On the form, Respondent falsely answered "no" to the question "Since you last renewed your license, have you had any license disciplined by a government agency or other disciplinary body; or, have you been convicted of any crime in any state, the USA and its territories, military court or a foreign country?" Complainant refers to and

1	by this reference incorporates the allegations set forth above in paragraph 10, as though set forth
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3	<u>PRAYER</u>
4	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,
5	and that following the hearing, the Board issue a decision:
6	1. Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Technician Registration No. TCH 104680, issued
7	to Casey M. O'Leary;
8	2. Ordering Casey M. O'Leary to pay the Board the reasonable costs of the investigation
9	and enforcement of this case, pursuant to section 125.3; and
10	3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.
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13	DATED: 10/5/15 VIRGINIA HEROLD
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15	Department of Consumer Affairs State of California
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