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8	BEFORE THE	
9	BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS	
10	STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
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ļ	In the Matter of the Statement of Issues Against: Case No. 4169	
12	CARLOS MORALES	
13	5495 Cadbury Road STATEMENT OF ISSUES Whittier, CA 90601	
14	Pharmacy Technician License Application	
15	Respondent.	
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18	Complainant alleges:	
19	<u>PARTIES</u>	
20	1. Virginia Herold (Complainant) brings this Statement of Issues solely in her official	
21	capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs	
22	(Board).	
23	2. On or about September 13, 2010, the Board received a Pharmacy Technician License	
24	Application from Carlos Morales (Respondent). On or about September 13, 2010, Carlos	
25	Morales, Jr. certified under penalty of perjury to the truthfulness of all statements, answers, and	
26	representations in the application. The Board denied the application on June 7, 2011.	
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JURISDICTION

- 3. This Statement of Issues is brought before the Board under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
 - 4. Section 480 states:
- "(a) A board may deny a license regulated by this code on the grounds that the applicant has one of the following:
- "(1) Been convicted of a crime. A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action that a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment 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 the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code.
- "(2) Done any act involving dishonesty, fraud, or deceit with the intent to substantially benefit himself or herself or another, or substantially injure another.

"(3)

- "(A) Done any act that if done by a licentiate of the business or profession in question, would be grounds for suspension or revocation of license.
- "(B) The board may deny a license pursuant to this subdivision only if the crime or act is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which application is made.
- "(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, no person shall be denied a license solely on the basis that he or she has been convicted of a felony if he or she has obtained a certificate of rehabilitation under Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 4852.01) of Title 6 of Part 3 of the Penal Code or that he or she has been convicted of a misdemeanor if he or she has met all applicable requirements of the criteria of rehabilitation developed by the board to evaluate the rehabilitation of a person when considering the denial of a license under subdivision (a) of Section 482.

"(c)	A board may deny a license regulated by this code on the ground that the applican
knowingly	made a false statement of fact required to be revealed in the application for the
license."	

- 5. Section 4300, subdivision (c), states, in pertinent part, that "[t]he board may refuse a license to any applicant guilty of unprofessional conduct. . . ."
 - 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:

. . . .

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

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"(l) The conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee . . . 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 or dangerous drugs, to determine if the conviction is of an offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. . . ."

REGULATORY PROVISIONS

7. 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 his license or registration in a manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare."

FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Convictions of Substantially Related Crimes)

- 8. Respondent's application is subject to denial under sections 480, subdivisions (a)(1)(2)(3)(A) and (B), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, in that Respondent was convicted of crimes substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a registered pharmacy technician, as follows:
- a. On or about November 9, 2006, after pleading guilty, Respondent was convicted of one felony count of violating Penal Code section 530.5(a) [identity theft] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Carlos Morales, Jr.* (Super. Ct. Los Angeles County, 2006, No. VA093741). The Court sentenced Respondent to 546 days in jail and placed him on two (2) years probation. The circumstances underlying the conviction occurred on or about September 14, 2005, and Respondent was arrested.
- b. On or about October 25, 2005, after pleading guilty, Respondent was convicted of one felony count, Count 2, violating Penal Code section 496(a) [receiving stolen property], and two misdemeanor counts, Count 6, violating Penal Code section 148.9(a) [false representation to peace officer], and Count 7, violating Penal Code section 148(a)(1) [resist and obstruct officer] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Carlos Morales Jr.* (Super. Ct. Orange County, 2005, No. 05CF2975FA). The Court sentenced Respondent to two (2) years in prison. The circumstances occurred on or about September 15, 2005, and Respondent was arrested.
- c. On or about December 2, 2004, after pleading guilty, Respondent was convicted of one felony count of violating Penal Code section 529 [false personation of another] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Carlos Morales* (Super. Ct. Los Angeles County, 2004, No. VA085980). The Court sentenced Respondent to 16 months in prison. The circumstances underlying the conviction occurred on or about November 6, 2004, and Respondent was arrested.

- d. On or about November 4, 2003, after pleading guilty, Respondent was convicted of three felony counts, Count 1, for violating Penal Code section 664-487(a) [attempted grand theft of personal property from Ben Bridge Jewelers], Count 4, for violating Penal Code section 530.5(a) [identity theft], and Count 5, for violating Penal Code section 459 [second degree commercial burglary] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Carlos Morales Jr.* (Super. Ct. Los Angeles County, 2003, No. VA078979). The Court sentenced Respondent to 16 months in prison. The circumstances underlying the conviction occurred on or about July 12, 2003, and Respondent was arrested.
- e. On or about June 12, 2002, after pleading guilty, Respondent was convicted of one felony count of violating Penal Code section 496(a) [receiving stolen property] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Carlos Morales Jr.* (Super. Ct. Los Angeles County, 2002, No. VA069807). The court sentenced Respondent to two (2) years in prison. The circumstances underlying the conviction occurred on or about February 23, 2002, and Respondent was arrested.
- f. On or about September 28, 1999, after pleading guilty, Respondent was convicted of one felony count of violating Health and Safety Coe section 11370.1(a) [possession of a controlled substance with a firearm] in the criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California v. Carlos Morales Jr.* (Super. Ct. Los Angeles County, 1999, No. VA055105). The Court sentenced Respondent to two (2) years in prison, and ordered him to register as a narcotic offender. The circumstances underlying the conviction occurred on or about July 19, 1999, and Respondent was arrested.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Dishonesty in Application Documents)

9. Respondent's application is subject to denial under section 480, subdivision (c), in that on or about September 13, 2010, Respondent knowingly made a false statement of fact required to be revealed in his application for licensure by answering "No" to question No. 6. On or about February 3, 2011, after a Board request, Respondent replied with a written explanation

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for his criminal history, and failed to provide the board with pertinent court documents or arrest reports. Question 6¹ asks:

> Have you ever been convicted of or pled no contest to a violation of any law of a foreign country, the United States or any state laws or local ordinances? You must include all misdemeanor and felony convictions, regardless of the age of the conviction, including those which have been set aside under Penal Code section 1203.4. Traffic violations of \$500 or less need not be reported. If "yes," attach an explanation including the type of violation, the date, circumstances, location and the complete penalty received. In addition to this written explanation, please provide the Board of Pharmacy with certified copies of all pertinent court documents or arrest reports relating to this conviction.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Unprofessional Conduct)

Respondent's application is subject to denial under sections 4300, subdivision (c), and 10. 4301, subdivisions (f), (g) and / or (l), in that Respondent committed acts of unprofessional conduct. Complainant refers to and by this reference incorporates the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 8 and 9, inclusive, 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:

Denying Carlos Morales' Pharmacy Technician License Application; and 1.

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¹ Quoted parts of the application include original bolded text.

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