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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

ALL MEDS SOLUTIONS INC.,
JAMES DARREN DIZON SIMBULAN OWNER,
Original Permit No. PHY 54464, and

JAMES DARREN DIZON SIMBULAN,
Original Pharmacist License No. RPH 71920

Respondents

Agency Case No. 6860

OAH No. 2020020203

#### **DECISION AND ORDER**

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on August 26, 2020.

It is so ORDERED on July 27, 2020.

BOARD OF PHARMACY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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By

Greg Lippe Board President

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| 14  | ALL MEDS SOLUTIONS INC.,<br>JAMES DARREN DIZON SIMBULAN,  | OAH No. 2020020203                                       |
| 15  | OWNER 3470 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 800  | STIPULATED SURRENDER OF<br>LICENSE AND ORDER AS TO       |
| 16  | Los Angeles, CA 90010 Original Permit No. PHY 54464,  | ALL MEDS SOLUTIONS INC.,<br>JAMES DARREN DIZON SIMBULAN, |
| 17  | and   | OWNER  |
| 18<br>19  | JAMES DARREN DIZON SIMBULAN   | STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND DISCIPLINARY ORDER AS TO       |
| 20  | 4237 Verdugo Road, #1<br>Los Angeles, CA 90065  | JAMES DARREN DIZON SIMBULAN                              |
| 21  | Original Pharmacist License No. RPH 71920   |  |
| 22  | Respondents.  |  |
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#### **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

- 6. Respondents have carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understand the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 6860. Respondents have also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understand the effects of these stipulations.
- 7. Respondents are fully aware of their legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on their 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.
- 8. Respondents voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waive and give up each and every right set forth above.

#### **CULPABILITY**

- 9. Respondents understand and agree that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 6860, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon their Original Permit and Original Pharmacist License.
- 10. For the purpose of resolving the Accusation without the expense and uncertainty of further proceedings, Respondents agree that, at a hearing, Complainant could establish a factual basis for the charges in the Accusation, and that Respondents hereby give up their right to contest those charges.
- 11. Respondent Simbulan agrees that his Original Pharmacist License and Original Permit are subject to discipline and he agrees to be bound by the Board's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

#### RESERVATION

12. The admissions made by Respondents herein are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Board of Pharmacy or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.

#### **CONTINGENCY**

- 13. These stipulations shall be subject to approval by the Board. Respondents understand and agree that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board may communicate directly with the Board regarding these stipulations and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondents or their counsel. By signing these stipulations, Respondents understand and agree that they may not withdraw their agreement or seek to rescind the stipulations prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon them. If the Board fails to adopt these stipulations as its Decision and Order, this Stipulated Surrender of License and Stipulated Settlement shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, they shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 14. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Stipulated Settlement, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 15. These stipulations are intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. They supersede any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). These stipulations may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.
- 16. 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 and Disciplinary Order:

#### ORDER AS TO RESPONDENT ALL MEDS

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Original Permit Number PHY 54464 issued to All Meds Solutions Inc., James Darren Dizon Simbulan, Owner, is surrendered and accepted by the Board.

1. The surrender of Respondent All Meds' Original Permit and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent

All Meds. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent All Med's license history with the Board.

- 2. If Respondent All Meds 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 All Meds must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for licensure in effect at the time the application or petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 6860 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent All Meds when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the application or petition.
- 3. If Respondent All Meds should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 6860 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent All Meds for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.
- 4. Respondent All Meds shall not apply for licensure or petition for reinstatement for three (3) years from the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.

#### DISCIPLINARY ORDER AS TO RESPONDENT SIMBULAN

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Original Pharmacist License Number RPH 71920 issued to James Darren Dizon Simbulan is revoked. However, the revocation is stayed and Respondent Simbulan is placed on probation for three (3) years on the following terms and conditions.

#### 1. Obey All Laws

Respondent Simbulan shall obey all state and federal laws and regulations.

Respondent Simbulan shall report any of the following occurrences to the Board, in writing, within seventy-two (72) hours of such occurrence:

 an arrest or issuance of a criminal complaint for violation of any provision of the

Pharmacy Law, state and federal food and drug laws, or state and federal controlled substances laws

a plea of guilty, or nolo contendere, no contest, or similar, in any state or federal criminal proceeding to any criminal complaint, information or indictment

a conviction of any crime

the filing of a disciplinary pleading, issuance of a citation, or initiation of

another
administrative action filed by any state or federal agency which involves
respondent's license or which is related to the practice of pharmacy or the

manufacturing, obtaining, handling, distributing, billing, or charging for any drug,

Failure to timely report such occurrence shall be considered a violation of probation.

#### 2. Report to the Board

device or controlled substance.

Respondent Simbulan shall report to the Board quarterly, on a schedule as directed by the Board or its designee. The report shall be made either in person or in writing, as directed. Among other requirements, Respondent Simbulan shall state in each report under penalty of perjury whether there has been compliance with all the terms and conditions of probation.

Failure to submit timely reports in a form as directed shall be considered a violation of probation. Any period(s) of delinquency in submission of reports as directed may be added to the total period of probation. Moreover, if the final probation report is not made as directed, probation shall be automatically extended until such time as the final report is made and accepted by the Board.

#### 3. Interview with the Board

Upon receipt of reasonable prior notice, Respondent Simbulan shall appear in person for interviews with the Board or its designee, at such intervals and locations as are determined by the Board or its designee. Failure to appear for any scheduled interview without prior notification to Board staff, or failure to appear for two (2) or more scheduled interviews with the Board or its designee during the period of probation, shall be considered a violation of probation.

#### 4. Cooperate with Board Staff

Respondent Simbulan shall timely cooperate with the Board's inspection program and with the Board's monitoring and investigation of Respondent Simbulan's compliance with the terms and conditions of probation, including but not limited to: timely responses to requests for information by Board staff; timely compliance with directives from Board staff regarding

requirements of any term or condition of probation; and timely completion of documentation pertaining to a term or condition of probation. Failure to timely cooperate shall be considered a violation of probation.

#### 5. Continuing Education

Respondent Simbulan shall provide evidence of efforts to maintain skill and knowledge as a pharmacist as directed by the Board or its designee.

#### 6. Reporting of Employment and Notice to Employers

During the period of probation, Respondent Simbulan shall notify all present and prospective employers of the decision in case number 6860 and the terms, conditions and restrictions imposed on Respondent Simbulan by the decision, as follows:

Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within ten (10) days of undertaking any new employment, Respondent Simbulan shall report to the Board in writing the name, physical address, and mailing address of each of his employer(s), and the name(s) and telephone number(s) of all of his direct supervisor(s), as well as any pharmacist(s)-in- charge, designated representative(s)-in-charge, responsible manager, or other compliance supervisor(s) and the work schedule, if known. Respondent Simbulan shall also include the reason(s) for leaving the prior employment. Respondent Simbulan shall sign and return to the Board a written consent authorizing the Board or its designee to communicate with all of Respondent Simbulan's employer(s) and supervisor(s), and authorizing those employer(s) or supervisor(s) to communicate with the Board or its designee, concerning Respondent Simbulan's work status, performance, and monitoring. Failure to comply with the requirements or deadlines of this condition shall be considered a violation of probation.

Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen (15) days of Respondent Simbulan undertaking any new employment, Respondent Simbulan shall cause (a) his direct supervisor, (b) his pharmacist-in-charge, designated representative-in-charge, responsible manager, or other compliance supervisor, and (c) the owner or owner representative of his employer, to report to the Board in writing acknowledging that the listed individual(s) has/have read the decision in case number 6860, and terms and conditions imposed thereby. If

one person serves in more than one role described in (a), (b), or (c), the acknowledgment shall so state. It shall be Respondent Simbulan's responsibility to ensure that these acknowledgment(s) are timely submitted to the Board. In the event of a change in the person(s) serving the role(s) described in (a), (b), or (c) during the term of probation, Respondent Simbulan shall cause the person(s) taking over the role(s) to report to the Board in writing within fifteen (15) days of the change acknowledging that he or she has read the decision in case number 6860, and the terms and conditions imposed thereby.

If Respondent Simbulan works for or is employed by or through an employment service, Respondent Simbulan must notify the person(s) described in (a), (b), and (c) above at every entity licensed by the Board of the decision in case number 6860, and the terms and conditions imposed thereby in advance of Respondent Simbulan commencing work at such licensed entity. A record of this notification must be provided to the Board upon request.

Furthermore, within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen (15) days of Respondent Simbulan undertaking any new employment by or through an employment service, Respondent Simbulan shall cause the person(s) described in (a), (b), and (c) above at the employment service to report to the Board in writing acknowledging that he or she has read the decision in case number, and the terms and conditions imposed thereby. It shall be Respondent Simbulan's responsibility to ensure that these acknowledgment(s) are timely submitted to the Board.

Failure to timely notify present or prospective employer(s) or failure to cause the identified person(s) with that/those employer(s) to submit timely written acknowledgments to the Board shall be considered a violation of probation.

"Employment" within the meaning of this provision includes any full-time, part-time, temporary, relief, or employment/management service position as a pharmacist, or any position for which a pharmacist is a requirement or criterion for employment, whether Respondent Simbulan is an employee, independent contractor or volunteer.

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#### 7. Notification of Change(s) in Name, Address(es), or Phone Number(s)

Respondent Simbulan shall further notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of any change in name, residence address, mailing address, e-mail address or phone number.

Failure to timely notify the Board of any change in employer, name, address, or phone number shall be considered a violation of probation.

#### 8. Restrictions on Supervision and Oversight of Licensed Facilities

During the period of probation, Respondent Simbulan shall not supervise any intern pharmacist, be the pharmacist-in-charge, designated representative-in-charge, responsible manager or other compliance supervisor of any entity licensed by the Board, nor serve as a consultant. Assumption of any such unauthorized supervision responsibilities shall be considered a violation of probation.

#### 9. Reimbursement of Board Costs

As a condition precedent to successful completion of probation, Respondent Simbulan shall pay to the Board its costs of investigation and prosecution in the amount of \$4,883.75.

Respondent Simbulan shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan approved by the Board or its designee, so long as full payment is completed no later than one (1) year prior to the end date of probation.

#### 10. **Probation Monitoring Costs**

Respondent Simbulan shall pay any costs associated with probation monitoring as determined by the Board each and every year of probation. Such costs shall be payable to the Board on a schedule as directed by the Board or its designee. Failure to pay such costs by the deadline(s) as directed shall be considered a violation of probation.

#### 11. Status of License

Respondent Simbulan shall, at all times while on probation, maintain an active, current Original Pharmacist License with the Board, including any period during which probation is tolled. Failure to maintain an active, current Original Pharmacist License shall be considered a violation of probation.

If Respondent Simbulan's Original Pharmacist License expires or is cancelled by operation of law or otherwise at any time during the period of probation, including any extensions thereof due to tolling or otherwise, upon renewal or reapplication Respondent Simbulan's license shall be subject to all terms and conditions of this probation not previously satisfied.

#### 12. License Surrender While on Probation

Following the effective date of this decision, should Respondent Simbulan cease practice due to retirement or health, or be otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, Respondent Simbulan may relinquish his license, including any indicia of licensure issued by the Board, along with a request to surrender the license. The Board or its designee shall have the discretion whether to accept the surrender or take any other action it deems appropriate and reasonable. Upon formal acceptance of the surrender of the license, Respondent Simbulan will no longer be subject to the terms and conditions of probation. This surrender constitutes a record of discipline and shall become a part of the Respondent Simbulan's license history with the Board.

Upon acceptance of the surrender, Respondent Simbulan shall relinquish his pocket and/or wall license, including any indicia of licensure not previously provided to the Board within ten (10) days of notification by the Board that the surrender is accepted if not already provided. Respondent Simbulan may not reapply for any license from the Board for three (3) years from the effective date of the surrender. Respondent Simbulan shall meet all requirements applicable to the license sought as of the date the application for that license is submitted to the Board, including any outstanding costs.

#### 13. Practice Requirement – Extension of Probation

Except during periods of suspension, Respondent Simbulan shall, at all times while on probation, be employed as a pharmacist in California for a minimum of 80 hours per calendar month. Any month during which this minimum is not met shall extend the period of probation by one month. During any such period of insufficient employment, Respondent Simbulan must nonetheless comply with all terms and conditions of probation, unless Respondent Simbulan receives a waiver in writing from the Board or its designee.

If Respondent Simbulan does not practice as a pharmacist in California for the minimum number of hours in any calendar month, for any reason (including vacation), Respondent Simbulan shall notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of the conclusion of that calendar month. This notification shall include at least: the date(s), location(s), and hours of last practice; the reason(s) for the interruption or reduction in practice; and the anticipated date(s) on which Respondent Simbulan will resume practice at the required level. Respondent Simbulan shall further notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days following the next calendar month during which Respondent Simbulan practices as a pharmacist in California for the minimum of hours. Any failure to timely provide such notification(s) shall be considered a violation of probation.

It is a violation of probation for Respondent Simbulan's probation to be extended pursuant to the provisions of this condition for a total period, counting consecutive and non-consecutive months, exceeding thirty-six (36) months. The Board or its designee may post a notice of the extended probation period on its website.

#### 14. **Violation of Probation**

If Respondent Simbulan has not complied with any term or condition of probation, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction over Respondent Simbulan, and the Board shall provide notice to Respondent Simbulan that probation shall automatically be extended, until all terms and conditions have been satisfied or the Board has taken other action as deemed appropriate to treat the failure to comply as a violation of probation, to terminate probation, and to impose the penalty that was stayed. The Board or its designee may post a notice of the extended probation period on its website.

If Respondent Simbulan violates probation in any respect, the Board, after giving Respondent Simbulan notice and an opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order that was stayed. If a petition to revoke probation or an accusation is filed against Respondent Simbulan t during probation, or the preparation of an accusation or petition to revoke probation is requested from the Office of the Attorney General, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction and the period of probation shall be automatically extended until the

petition to revoke probation or accusation is heard and decided, and the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 6860 shall be deemed true and correct.

#### 15. Completion of Probation

Upon written notice by the Board or its designee indicating successful completion of probation, Respondent Simbulan 's license will be fully restored.

#### 16. Remedial Education

Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this decision, Respondent Simbulan shall submit to the Board or its designee, for prior approval, an appropriate program of remedial education related to California and Federal pharmacy law, inventory control, pharmacy operations, and records management. The program of remedial education shall consist of 10 hours per year of probation for a total of 30 hours, at Respondent Simbulan's own expense. Half of the total hours (15 hours) must be live webinar or in-person education. All remedial education shall be in addition to, and shall not be credited toward, continuing education (CE) courses used for license renewal purposes for pharmacists.

Failure to timely submit for approval or complete the approved remedial education shall be considered a violation of probation. The period of probation will be automatically extended until such remedial education is successfully completed and written proof, in a form acceptable to the Board, is provided to the Board or its designee.

Following the completion of each course, the Board or its designee may require Respondent Simbulan, at his own expense, to take an approved examination to test Respondent Simbulan's knowledge of the course. If Respondent Simbulan does not achieve a passing score on the examination that course shall not count towards satisfaction of this term. Respondent Simbulan shall take another course approved by the Board in the same subject area.

#### 17. Ethics Course

Within sixty (60) calendar days of the effective date of this decision, Respondent Simbulan shall enroll in a course in ethics, at his expense, approved in advance by the Board or its designee that complies with Title 16 California Code of Regulations section 1773.5. Respondent Simbulan shall provide proof of enrollment upon request. Within five (5) days of completion, Respondent

Simbulan shall submit a copy of the certificate of completion to the Board or its designee. Failure to timely enroll in an approved ethics course, to initiate the course during the first year of probation, to successfully complete it before the end of the second year of probation, or to timely submit proof of completion to the Board or its designee, shall be considered a violation of probation. 18. No Ownership or Management of Licensed Premises Respondent Simbulan shall not own, have any legal or beneficial interest in, nor serve as a manager, administrator, member, officer, director, trustee, associate, or partner of any business, firm, partnership, or corporation currently or hereinafter licensed by the Board. Respondent Simbulan shall sell or transfer any legal or beneficial interest in any entity licensed by the Board within ninety (90) days following the effective date of this decision and shall immediately thereafter provide written proof thereof to the Board. Failure to timely divest any legal or beneficial interest(s) or provide documentation thereof shall be considered a violation of probation. //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// //// ////

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|   | Solutions Inc., James Darren Dizon Simbulan, Owner, and have fully discussed it with my  |  |  |  |
|   | attorney, Luis Andre P. Vizcocho. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my   |  |  |  |
|   | Original Permit. I enter into this stipulation voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Pharmacy.  |  |  |  |
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|   | DATED: 5/21/20  ALL MEDS SOLUTIONS INC.,  JAMES DARREN DIZON SIMBULAN, OWNER  Respondent   |  |  |  |
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|   | Darren Dizon Simbulan, and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Luis Andre P. Vizcocho.   |  |  |  |
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|   | DATED: SIZILO JAMES DARREN DIZON SIMBULAN Respondent   |  |  |  |
|   | I have read and fully discussed with Respondents the terms and conditions and other  |  |  |  |
|   | matters contained in the above Stipulated Surrender of License and Order as to All Meds  |  |  |  |
|   | Solutions Inc., James Darren Dizon Simbulan, Owner, and Stipulated Settlement and Disciplina   |  |  |  |
|   | Order as to James Darren Dizon Simbulan. I approve their form and content.   |  |  |  |
|   | DATED: 5/21/2020  Luis Andre P. Vizcocho Attorney for Respondents  |  |  |  |

### **ENDORSEMENT** The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order as to All Meds Solutions Inc., James Darren Dizon Simbulan, Owner, and Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order as to James Darren Dizon Simbulan, are hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Board of Pharmacy. Respectfully submitted, **DATED:** June 3, 2020 XAVIER BECERRA Attorney General of California LINDA L. SUN Supervising Deputy Attorney General Michael Yi MICHAEL YI Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant LA2019505212

#### Exhibit A

Accusation No. 6860

| 1                               | XAVIER BECERRA  |   |  |  |
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| 24                              |   | s this Accusation solely in her official capacity |  |  |
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| 27                              | as the Interim Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of Consumer  Affairs. |   |  |  |
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- (a) Any person who has been denied a license or whose license has been revoked or is under suspension, or who has failed to renew his or her license while it was under suspension, or who has been a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control of any partnership, corporation, trust, firm, or association whose application for a license has been denied or revoked, is under suspension or has been placed on probation, and while acting as the manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control had knowledge of or knowingly participated in any conduct for which the license was denied, revoked, suspended, or placed on probation, shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or in any other position with management or control of a licensee as follows:
  - (1) Where a probationary license is issued or where an existing license is placed on probation, this prohibition shall remain in effect for a period not to exceed five years.
  - (2) Where the license is denied or revoked, the prohibition shall continue until the license is issued or reinstated.

#### STATUTORY PROVISIONS

- 10. Section 4081, subdivisions (a) and (b), state:
- (a) All records of manufacture and of sale, acquisition, receipt, shipment, or disposition of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices shall be at all times during business hours open to inspection by authorized officers of the law, and shall be preserved for at least three years from the date of making. A current inventory shall be kept by every manufacturer, wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, pharmacy, veterinary food-animal drug retailer, outsourcing facility, physician, dentist, podiatrist, veterinarian, laboratory, licensed correctional clinic, as defined in Section 4187, clinic, hospital, institution, or establishment holding a currently valid and unrevoked certificate, license, permit, registration, or exemption under Division 2 (commencing with Section 1200) of the Health and Safety Code or under Part 4 (commencing with Section 16000) of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code who maintains a stock of dangerous drugs or dangerous devices.
- (b) The owner, officer, and partner of a pharmacy, wholesaler, third-party logistics provider, or veterinary food-animal drug retailer shall be jointly responsible, with the pharmacist-in-charge, responsible manager, or designated representative-in-charge, for maintaining the records and inventory described in this section.
- 11. Section 4301 states that: "The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct or whose license has been issued by mistake.
- 27 Unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to, any of the following:

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#### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 22. On March 22, 2019, during a routine inspection of Respondent All Meds, a Board inspector (Board inspector) observed a sign on the door requesting that all deliveries be sent to suite 600. The Board inspector went to suite 600 and contacted Respondent Simbulan's father, Moses Simbulan. Mr. Simbulan related that Respondent Simbulan dissolved his corporation, Respondent All Meds, and that the pharmacy was vacant. The Board inspector gave a copy of the Board's Discontinuance of Business form (DOB) to Mr. Simbulan and asked that Respondent Simbulan contact her within 72 hours. The Board inspector also requested that Respondent Simbulan provide the location of where Respondent All Meds' drug inventory and pharmacy records were transferred.
- 23. On April 2, 2019, the Board received a completed DOB from Respondent Simbulan as the Pharmacist-in-Charge of Respondent All Meds. The DOB stated that Respondent All Meds discontinued business on October 1, 2018. The DOB also stated that an inventory of all dangerous drugs was taken on November 4, 2017. Respondent Simbulan attached Respondent All Meds': (1) Original and Renewal Retail Pharmacy Permits; (2) Drug Inventory Report dated November 4, 2017; and (3) Universal Drug Action Form dated March 29, 2019, regarding the destruction of non-controlled drugs. Respondent Simbulan signed the DOB under penalty of perjury on March 29, 2019, and provided the following Statement:

All Meds Solutions Inc. was opened on October 5, 2016 and closed on October 1, 2018. Due to not having a board-licensed facility for storage, all prescription drugs, hard copy prescription records and original invoices were destroyed accordingly. Under the witness of Felina Simbulan (mother) and Moises Simbulan (father), on November 4, 2017 all prescription drugs were destroyed in a method sufficient to render all such controlled and non controlled substances non-retrievable. I destroyed these drugs in accordance to the FDA guidance on how to properly dispose drugs in the trash, and not to flush them in the toilet. The drugs were placed in a large plastic bag, mixed with 20 lbs of Arm & Hammer Cat Litter and about 500mL of warm water. The bag was sealed and thrown away in the building dumpster. Please see attachment for Destruction Form and Inventory record.

All hard copy prescription records have been destroyed and all digital copies have been wiped from hard drives and a digital back up copy is available from Digital Business Solutions Inc. phone #(949) 298-6600.

All original invoices have been destroyed except for two original invoices. The two original invoices are located at business Advance Specialty Care Inc. 3470 Wilshire Blvd. Ste. 600 Los Angeles, CA 90010 phone# 213-739-1155. The business is owned by my parents, Felina and Moises Simbulan.

24. Respondent All Meds' Universal Drug Action Form stated that approximately 18,211 non-controlled drugs were destroyed on November 4, 2017, by cat litter and water, then disposed in the dumpster. The following controlled drugs were also destroyed on November 4, 2017, in the same manner:

| Schedule III Drug Name/Strength | Quantity |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Diazepam/2 mg tablet            | 140      |
| Lorazepam/2 mg tablet           | 100      |
| Total                           | 240      |

| Schedule II Drug Name/Strength       | Quantity |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Hydrocodone-Acetaminophen /10-325 mg | 70       |
| Ocycodone/30 mg                      | 100      |
| Total                                | 170      |

#### **FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

#### (Unprofessional Conduct – Violations of Controlled Substance Statutes)

25. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (j), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1708.2, in that Respondents improperly destroyed dangerous drugs prior to contacting the Board, after the termination of

business. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 21 through 23, inclusive, as though set forth fully herein.

#### SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

#### (Unprofessional Conduct - Violations of Controlled Substance Laws and Regulations)

26. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (o), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1708.2, in that Respondents improperly destroyed dangerous drugs prior to contacting the Board, after the termination of business. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 21 through 23, inclusive, as though set forth fully herein.

#### THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

#### (Unprofessional Conduct – Violations of Controlled Substance Statutes)

27. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (j), in conjunction with section 4312, subdivision (b), in that Respondents improperly destroyed dangerous drugs prior to contacting the Board, after the discontinuation of business. Respondents also failed to arrange for the transfer of all dangerous drugs and controlled substances to another licensee authorized to possess the dangerous drugs and controlled substances or dangerous devices. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 21 through 23, inclusive, as though set forth fully herein.

#### **FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

#### (Unprofessional Conduct – Violations of Controlled Substance Laws and Regulations)

28. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (o), in conjunction with section 4312, subdivision (b), in that Respondents improperly destroyed dangerous drugs prior to contacting the Board, after the discontinuation of business. Respondents also failed to arrange for the transfer of all dangerous drugs and controlled substances to another licensee authorized to possess the dangerous drugs and controlled substances or dangerous devices. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 21 through 23, inclusive, as though set forth fully herein.

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FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

29. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (j), in conjunction with section 4333, subdivision (a), in that Respondents improperly destroyed and transferred pharmacy records to an unauthorized facility after discontinuation of business. Respondents failed to maintain records of all filled prescriptions and other records required by Section 4081 on the premises or an authorized Board-licensed facility for at least three years. Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 21 through 23, inclusive, as though set forth fully herein.

#### SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

#### (Unprofessional Conduct - Violations of Controlled Substance Laws and Regulations)

30. Respondents are subject to disciplinary action under section 4301, subdivision (o), in conjunction with section 4333, subdivision (a), in that Respondents improperly destroyed and transferred pharmacy records to an unauthorized facility after discontinuation of business.

Respondents failed to maintain records of all filled prescriptions and other records required by Section 4081 on the premises or an authorized Board-licensed facility for at least three years.

Complainant refers to, and by this reference incorporates, the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 21 through 23, inclusive, as though set forth fully herein.

#### **OTHER MATTERS**

- 31. Pursuant to section 4307, if discipline is imposed on Original Permit Number PHY 54464, Respondent All Meds shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for five years if Original Permit Number PHY 54464 is placed on probation or until Original Permit Number PHY 54464 is reinstated, if it is revoked.
- 32. Pursuant to section 4307, if discipline is imposed on Original Permit Number PHY 54464 while Respondent Simbulan has been an officer and owner, and had knowledge of or knowingly participated in any conduct for which the licensee was disciplined, Respondent Simbulan shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer,