

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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

**WOODLAND HILLS RX PHARMACY CORP. DBA WOODLAND HILLS
RX PHARMACY,
SHAHAB SAJADI AKA SHAHABODDIN SAJADI, CEO/PRES,
KAMBIZ AHADI AKA KAMBIZ AHADIMOGHADDAM, SECRETARY,**

Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 55843;

SHAHAB SAJADI,

Pharmacist License No. RPH 72295;

and

KAMBIZ AHADI,

Pharmacist License No. RPH 72851,

Respondents.

Agency Case No. 6989

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and 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 4, 2022.

It is so ORDERED on July 5, 2022.

BOARD OF PHARMACY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By

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Seung W. Oh, Pharm.D.
Board President

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19 **20011 Ventura Boulevard, Suite 1006**
20 **Woodland Hills, CA 91364**

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STIPULATED SURRENDER OF
LICENSE AND ORDER AS WOODLAND
HILLS RX PHARMACY CORP. DBA
WOODLAND HILLS RX PHARMACY

21 **Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 55843,**

22 **SHAHAB SAJADI**
23 **7406 Jason Avenue**
24 **West Hills, CA 91307**

25 **Pharmacist License No. RPH 72295,**

26 **and**

27 **KAMBIZ AHADI**
28 **2211 W. Magnolia Blvd. #115**
Burbank, CA 91506

Pharmacist License No. RPH 72851

Respondents.

1 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
2 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

3 **PARTIES**

4 1. Anne Sodergren (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy
5 (Board). She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by
6 Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Langston M. Edwards, Deputy
7 Attorney General.

8 2. Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy (Respondent
9 or Respondent Woodland Hills), Shahab Sajadi aka Shahaboddin Sajadi (Respondent Sajadi),
10 CEO/President and Kambiz Ahadi aka Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam, Secretary (Respondent
11 Kambiz) are represented in this proceeding by Armond Marcarian, whose address is: 21650
12 Oxnard Street, Suite 1980, Woodland Hills, CA 91367-7853.

13 3. On or about November 3, 2017, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacy Permit
14 Number PHY 55843 to Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy,
15 Shahab Sajadi aka Shahaboddin Sajadi, CEO/Pres, 50% Shareholder and Kambiz
16 Ahadimoghaddam aka Kambiz Ahadi, Secretary, 50% Shareholder, Treasurer/CEO and Director.
17 The Pharmacy Permit was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in
18 Accusation No. 6989 and expired on April 1, 2022, pursuant to Discontinuance of Business.

19 4. On or about March 3, 2015, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacist License
20 Number RPH 72295 to Shahab Sajadi (Respondent Sajadi). The Pharmacist License was in full
21 force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 6989 and will
22 expire on September 30, 2022, unless renewed.

23 5. On or about July 29, 2015, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacist License
24 Number RPH 72851 to Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam (Respondent Kambiz). The Pharmacist
25 License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No.
26 6989 and will expire on September 30, 2024, unless renewed.

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12. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation Respondent Woodland Hills enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of its Pharmacy Permit without further process.

CONTINGENCY

13. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent or its counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that it may not withdraw its agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it 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 Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

15. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order 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:

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 55843, issued to Respondent Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy, Shahab Sajadi aka Shahaboddin Sajadi, CEO/President and Kambiz Ahadi aka Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam, Secretary,, is surrendered and accepted by the Board.

1. The surrender of Respondent's Pharmacy Permit and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board.

2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as an Original Pharmacy Permit in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.

3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board its wall certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.

4. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a new application. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for an application for licensure in effect at the time the application or petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 6989 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the application or petition.

5. Respondent shall pay the agency its costs of investigation and enforcement in the amount of \$15,000.00 (jointly and severally) with Respondent Kambiz.

6. If Respondent 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. 6989 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.

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ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of License and Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney Armond Marcarian. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Pharmacy Permit. I enter into this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Pharmacy.

DATED: _____

WOODLAND HILLS RX PHARMACY
CORP. DBA WOODLAND HILLS RX
PHARMACY, SHAHAB SAJADI,
CEO/PRES
Respondent

DATED: _____

WOODLAND HILLS RX PHARMACY
CORP. DBA WOODLAND HILLS RX
PHARMACY, KAMBIZ AHADI,
SECRETARY
Respondent

I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy, Shahab Sajadi, aka Shahaboddin Sajadi, CEO/President, and Kambiz Ahadi aka Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam, Secretary, the terms and conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I approve its form and content.

DATED: _____


ARMOND MARCARIAN
Attorney for Respondent

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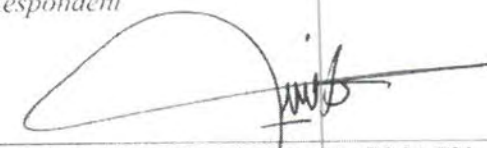
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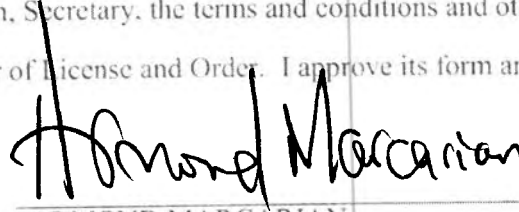
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DATED:

April 15, 2022


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ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted
for consideration by the Board of Pharmacy of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

DATED: _____

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 6989

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3 as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs.

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7 Ahadi, Secretary (Respondent Woodland Hills). The Pharmacy Permit was in full force and
8 effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on November 1, 2021,
9 unless renewed.

10 3. On or about March 3, 2015, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacist License
11 Number RPH 72295 to Shahab Sajadi (Respondent Sajadi). The Pharmacist License was in full
12 force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on May 31,
13 2022, unless renewed.

14 4. On or about July 29, 2015, the Board of Pharmacy issued Pharmacist License
15 Number RPH 72851 to Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam (Respondent Kambiz). The Pharmacist
16 License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will
17 expire on September 30, 2022, unless renewed.

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19 **JURISDICTION**

20 5. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides that the suspension/expiration/
21 surrender/cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Board/Registrar/Director of jurisdiction to
22 proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed,
23 restored, reissued or reinstated.

24 This Accusation is brought before the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of
25 Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the
26 Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.

27 6. Section 4300 of the Code states:

28 (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.

7. Section 4307, subdivision (a), of the Code states:

(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.

(b) Manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control of a license as used in this section and Section 4308, may refer to a pharmacist or to any other person who serves in such capacity in or for a licensee.

(c) The provisions of subdivision (a) may be alleged in any pleading filed pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code. However, no order may be issued in that case except as to a person who is named in the caption, as to whom the pleading alleges the applicability of this section, and where the person has been given notice of the proceeding as required by Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code. The authority to proceed as provided by this subdivision shall be in addition to the board's authority to proceed under

Section 4339 or any other provision of law.”

STATUTORY PROVISIONS

8. Section 4070 subdivision (a) of the Code states, in pertinent part, that except as provided in Section 4019 and subdivision (b), an oral or an electronic data transmission prescription as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 4040 shall as soon as practicable be reduced to writing by the pharmacist and shall be filled by, or under the direction of, the pharmacist. The pharmacist need not reduce to writing the address, telephone number, license classification, federal registry number of the prescriber or the address of the patient or patients if the information is readily retrievable in the pharmacy.

9. Section 4040 subdivision (c) of the Codes states in pertinent part that “electronic transmission prescription” includes both image and data prescriptions. “Electronic image transmission prescription” means any prescription order for which a facsimile of the order is received by a pharmacy from a licensed prescriber. “Electronic data transmission prescription” means any prescription order, other than an electronic image transmission prescription, that is electronically transmitted from a licensed prescriber to a pharmacy.

10. 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 issued by mistake. Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:

...

(c) Gross negligence.

(d) The clearly excessive furnishing of controlled substances in violation of subdivision (a) of Section 11153 of the Health and Safety Code.

11. Section 4306.5 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

Unprofessional conduct for a pharmacist may include any of the following:

(a) Acts or omissions that involve, in whole or in part, the inappropriate exercise of his or her education, training, or experience as a pharmacist, whether or not the act or omission arises in the course of the practice of pharmacy or the ownership, management, administration, or operation of a pharmacy or other entity licensed by the board.

1 (b) Acts or omissions that involve, in whole or in part, the failure to exercise or
2 implement his or her best professional judgment or corresponding responsibility
3 with regard to the dispensing or furnishing of controlled substances, dangerous
4 drugs, or dangerous devices, or with regard to the provision of services.

5 (c) Acts or omissions that involve, in whole or in part, the failure to consult
6 appropriate patient, prescription, and other records pertaining to the performance
7 of any pharmacy function.

8 (d) Acts or omissions that involve, in whole or in part, the failure to fully maintain
9 and retain appropriate patient-specific information pertaining to the performance of
10 any pharmacy function.

11 12. Section 11152 of the Health and Safety Code states, “[n]o person shall write, issue,
12 fill, compound, or dispense a prescription that does not conform to this division.”

13 13. Section 11153 of the Health and Safety Code states, in pertinent part:

14 (a) A prescription for a controlled substance shall only be issued for a legitimate
15 medical purpose by an individual practitioner acting in the usual course of his or
16 her professional practice. The responsibility for the proper prescribing and
17 dispensing of controlled substances is upon the prescribing practitioner, but a
18 corresponding responsibility rests with the pharmacist who fills the prescription.
19 Except as authorized by this division, the following are not legal prescriptions: (1)
20 an order purporting to be a prescription which is issued not in the usual course of
21 professional treatment or in legitimate and authorized research; or (2) an order for
22 an addict or habitual user of controlled substances, which is issued not in the
23 course of professional treatment or as part of an authorized narcotic treatment
24 program, for the purpose of providing the user with controlled substances,
25 sufficient to keep him or her comfortable by maintaining customary use

26 14. Section 11162.1 of the Health and Safety Code states, in pertinent part:¹

27 (a) The prescription forms for controlled substances shall be printed with the
28 following features:

(1) The latent, repetitive “void” pattern shall be printed across the entire front of
the prescription blank; if a prescription is scanned or photocopied, the word “void”
shall appear in a pattern across the entire front of the prescription.

(2) A watermark shall be printed on the backside of the prescription blank; the
watermark shall consist of the words “California Security Prescription.”

(3) A chemical void protection that prevents alteration by chemical washing.

¹ Effective March 11, 2019, Health and Safety Code section 11162.1 was amended. The
language stated in this Accusation was in effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein.

1 (4) A feature printed in thermochromic ink.

2 (5) An area of opaque writing so that the writing disappears if the prescription is
lightened.

3 (6) A description of the security features included on each prescription form.

4 (7) (A) Six quantity check off boxes shall be printed on the form so that the
5 prescriber may indicate the quantity by checking the applicable box where the
6 following quantities shall appear:

7 1–24

8 25–49

9 50–74

10 75–100

11 101–150

12 151 and over.

13 (B) In conjunction with the quantity boxes, a space shall be provided to
14 designate the units referenced in the quantity boxes when the drug is not in tablet
or capsule form.

15 (8) Prescription blanks shall contain a statement printed on the bottom of the
16 prescription blank that the “Prescription is void if the number of drugs prescribed
17 is not noted.”

18 (9) The preprinted name, category of licensure, license number, federal controlled
substance registration number, and address of the prescribing practitioner.

19 (10) Check boxes shall be printed on the form so that the prescriber may indicate
20 the number of refills ordered.

21 (11) The date of origin of the prescription.

22 (12) A check box indicating the prescriber’s order not to substitute.

23 (13) An identifying number assigned to the approved security printer by the
24 Department of Justice.

25 (14) (A) A check box by the name of each prescriber when a prescription form lists
multiple prescribers.

26 (B) Each prescriber who signs the prescription form shall identify themselves as
27 the prescriber by checking the box by the prescriber’s name.

1 (15) A uniquely serialized number, in a manner prescribed by the Department of
Justice in accordance with Section 11162.2.

2 (b) Each batch of controlled substance prescription forms shall have the lot number
3 printed on the form and each form within that batch shall be numbered sequentially
4 beginning with the numeral one.

5 15. Section 11164 of the Health and Safety Code states, in pertinent part:²

6 [N]o person shall prescribe a controlled substance, nor shall any person fill,
7 compound, or dispense a prescription for a controlled substance, unless it complies
with the requirements of this section.

8 (a) Each prescription for a controlled substance classified in Schedule II, III, IV, or
9 V, except as authorized by subdivision (b), shall be made on a controlled substance
10 prescription form as specified in Section 11162.1 and shall meet the following
requirements:

11 (1) The prescription shall be signed and dated by the prescriber in ink and shall
12 contain the prescriber's address and telephone number; the name of the ultimate
13 user or research subject, or contact information as determined by the Secretary of
14 the United States Department of Health and Human Services; refill information,
15 such as the number of refills ordered and whether the prescription is a first-time
request or a refill; and the name, quantity, strength, and directions for use of the
controlled substance prescribed.

16 **REGULATORY PROVISIONS**

17 16. California Code of Regulations, Title 16, section 1716 states that pharmacists shall
18 not deviate from the requirements of a prescription except upon the prior consent of the prescriber
19 or to select the drug product in accordance with Section 4073 of the Business and Professions
20 Code. Nothing in this regulation is intended to prohibit a pharmacist from exercising commonly
21 accepted pharmaceutical practice in the compounding or dispensing of a prescription.

22 17. California Code of Regulations, Title 16, section 1761 states:

23 (a) No pharmacist shall compound or dispense any prescription which contains any
24 significant error, omission, irregularity, uncertainty, ambiguity or alteration. Upon receipt of any
25 such prescription, the pharmacist shall contact the prescriber to obtain the information needed to
26 validate the prescription.

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28 ² Effective March 11, 2019, Health and Safety Code section 11164 was amended. The
language stated in this Accusation was in effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein.

1 (b) Even after conferring with the prescriber, a pharmacist shall not compound or dispense
2 a controlled substance prescription where the pharmacist knows or has objective reason to know
3 that said prescription was not issued for a legitimate medical purpose.

4 18. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Part 1306, Section 04 (21 CFR 1306.04)
5 states:

6 (a) A prescription for a controlled substance to be effective must be issued for a
7 legitimate medical purpose by an individual practitioner acting in the usual course
8 of his professional practice. The responsibility for the proper prescribing and
9 dispensing of controlled substances is upon the prescribing practitioner, but a
10 corresponding responsibility rests with the pharmacist who fills the prescription.
11 An order purporting to be a prescription issued not in the usual course of
12 professional treatment or in legitimate and authorized research is not a prescription
13 within the meaning and intent of section 309 of legitimate and authorized research
14 is not a prescription within the meaning and intent of section 309 of the Act (21
15 U.S.C. 829) and the person knowingly filling such a purported prescription, as well
16 as the person issuing it, shall be subject to the penalties provided for violations of
17 the provisions of law relating to controlled substances.

14 **COST RECOVERY**

15 19. Business and Professions Code section 125.3 provides, in pertinent part, that the
16 Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a
17 violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the
18 investigation and enforcement of the case, with failure of the licentiate to comply subjecting the
19 license to not being renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and
20 enforcement costs may be included in a stipulated settlement.

22 **CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

23 20. Alprazolam is a Schedule IV controlled substance pursuant to Health and Safety Code
24 section 11057(d)(1) and a dangerous drug pursuant to Code section 4022, and is sold under the
25 brand name Xanax.

26 21. Hydrocodone/acetaminophen (APAP) is a Schedule II controlled substance as
27 designated by Code of Federal Regulations, title 21, section 1308.12, subdivision (b)(1)(vi),
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1 Health and Safety Code section 11055(I)(i), a dangerous drug pursuant to Code section 4022, and
2 is sold under the brand name Norco.

3 22. Oxycodone is a Schedule II controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety
4 Code section 11055, subdivision (b)(1)(M), and is sold under the brand name
5 Percolone/Roxicodone.

6 23. Promethazine/Codeine syrup is a Schedule V controlled substance as designated by
7 Health and Safety Code section 11058, subdivision (c)(1), and is sold under the brand name
8 Phenergan with Codeine Syrup.

9 24. Section 4022 of the Code states:

10 “Dangerous drug” or “dangerous device” means any drug or device unsafe for self-
11 use in humans or animals, and includes the following:

12 (a) Any drug that bears the legend: “Caution: federal law prohibits dispensing
13 without prescription,” “Rx only,” or words of similar import.

14 (b) Any device that bears the statement: “Caution: federal law restricts this device
15 to sale by or on the order of a _____,” “Rx only,” or words of similar import, the
16 blank to be filled in with the designation of the practitioner licensed to use or order
17 use of the device.

18 (c) Any other drug or device that by federal or state law can be lawfully dispensed
19 only on prescription or furnished pursuant to Section 4006.

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Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Deviation from Prescription)

25. Respondent Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy (Respondent Woodland Hills) is subject to disciplinary action under Cal. Code of Regs. Title 16, section 1716 in that Respondent Woodland Hills deviated from the requirements of a prescription. The circumstances are that on 9/8/18, Respondent Woodland Hills dispensed the following prescription:

Date	Number	Drug Prescribed	Drug Dispensed	Qty
9/8/18	505800	Oxycodone 15 mg	Oxycodone 30 mg	60

26. There was no notation on this prescription documenting any contacts with the prescriber. This prescription was dispensed in error with a deviation from the prescriber's order without documented prior consent.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Failure to Document Verbal Orders)

27. Respondent Woodland Hills is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4070 in that Respondent failed to document an oral or electronic data transmission prescription. The circumstances are that during the time period between 1/19/18 and 8/4/18, Respondent dispensed the following prescriptions:

Date	Rx Number	Patient	Drug	Qty	Prescriber
01/19/18	500215	T.S.	alprazolam 2 mg	60	Yi, Young
02/01/18	500394	T.S.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
02/13/18	500555	W.H.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
03/15/18	501157	B.P.	promethazine/codeine	240	Lim, Duck
03/17/18	501206	T.S.	alprazolam 2 mg	60	Yi, Young
03/17/18	501207	T.S.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
03/17/18	501208	M.S.	promethazine/codeine	240	Lim, Duck

1	03/20/18	501294	J.K.	promethazine/codeine	240	Lim, Duck
2	03/23/18	501388	T.S.	carisoprodol 350 mg	60	Yi, Young
3	03/23/18	501392	A.M	promethazine/codeine	240	Lim, Duck
4	03/24/18	501408	S.B.	alprazolam 2 mg	60	Yi, Young
5	03/24/18	501414	S.S.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
6	03/26/18	501421	E.E.	promethazine/codeine	240	Lim, Duck
7	03/29/18	501495	J.K.	promethazine/codeine	240	Lim, Duck
8	04/04/18	501596	S.T.	promethazine/codeine	240	Lim, Duck
9	04/17/18	501889	R.M.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
10	04/26/18	502099	S.S.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
11	05/01/18	502236	S.B.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
12	05/01/18	502245	T.S.	carisoprodol 350 mg	60	Yi, Young
13	05/02/18	502260	B.N.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
14	05/07/18	502358	G.S.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
15	05/08/18	502389	M.F.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
16	05/08/18	502390	C.W.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
17	05/09/18	502432	P.G.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
18	05/15/18	502551	D.M.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
19	05/15/18	502565	L.C.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
20	05/16/18	502606	B.N.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
21	05/18/18	502648	T.S.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
22	05/21/18	502705	C.H.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
23	06/04/18	503027	M.W.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
24	06/04/18	503028	M.F.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
25	06/08/18	503195	T.S.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
26	06/09/18	503199	D.M.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young
27	06/11/18	503222	T.T.	promethazine/codeine	240	Yi, Young

06/11/18	503223	T.S.	alprazolam 2 mg	60	Yi, Young
07/16/18	504136	S.S.	alprazolam 2 mg	90	Yi, Young
07/19/18	504239	T.S.	alprazolam 2 mg	60	Yi, Young
08/04/18	504712	S.S.	alprazolam 2 mg	60	Yi, Young

28. The 38 prescriptions were not written on valid controlled substances forms. Respondent Woodland Hills admitted that they failed to document verbal orders for these prescriptions.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Comply with Security Form Requirements)

29. Respondent Woodland Hills is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (c) in conjunction with Health and Safety Code sections 11152 and 11164 in that Respondent failed to ensure that controlled substances were dispensed in accordance with security form requirements as required.

30. Specifically, the prescriptions identified in paragraph 27, above, were not written on the proper controlled substance security forms and were missing nearly all required security features.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Comply with Corresponding Responsibility)

31. Respondent Woodland Hills is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 4301, subdivision (c) and 4306.5, subdivisions (a) – (b) in conjunction with Cal. Code of Regs. Title 16, section 1761, Health and Safety Code sections 11153 and Code of Fed. Regs. Title 21, Part 1306, Section 04 in that Respondent failed to comply with its corresponding responsibility.

32. Specifically, the prescriptions identified in paragraph 27, above, all demonstrated the following irregularities:

- All were paid by the patients without the benefit of insurance;

- All of the Alprazolam 2mg prescriptions constitute the highest strength available and not a starting dose;
- All patients lived out of the area from the pharmacy, and most lived in the opposite direction;
- Both prescribers were located out of the area;
- Prescription (RX) 501414 was dispensed over three (3) months after it was written on 12/21/17;
- RX 502432 was prepared with an illegible date;
- Controlled substance prescriptions continued to be written on invalid forms for six months.

33. In addition, during the time period between 11/3/17 – 2/24/20 (relevant time period), Respondent Woodland Hills dispensed controlled substances after ignoring and or failing to recognize objective factors which were irregular from medically legitimate prescriptions. The objective facts based on the data retrieved for the relevant time period include the following:

- Oxycodone 30 mg, the highest strength, was the third most commonly dispensed drug;
- Oxycodone 30 mg accounted for almost 80 percent of all oxycodone prescriptions;
- Out of area prescribers of oxycodone 30 mg;
- Out of area patients dispensed oxycodone 30 mg;
- New patients dispensed oxycodone 30 mg;
- Uniformity of treatment for large percentage of patients;
- Cash payments for controlled substances beyond usual percentage seen with non-controlled substances;
- Over 190 instances of dispensing interacting drugs together, promethazine/codeine with hydrocodone/APAP from one prescriber;
- Similar or identical prescriptions for controlled substances dispensed to multiple patients with the following irregularities:

- On the same days

- With high doses of oxycodone 30 mg;
- Or promethazine/codeine with hydrocodone/APAP, which has a boxed warning drug interaction;
- From out of area prescribers;
- To out of area patients;
- Failure to follow pharmacy's own policy and procedure which would have identified all red flags and irregularities;
- Initial prescriptions written for unusually high doses of oxycodone;
- Prescriptions switched from lower doses controlled substances to higher at 238 – 1700% percent increases for the following prescriptions:

Date	Rx No.		Date	Rx No.		Date	Rx No.		Date	Rx No.
2/24/18	500761		8/2/18	504640		3/1/19	513527		4/3/19	515019
2/24/18	500760		8/13/18	504946		3/4/19	513584		4/3/19	515017
2/27/18	501798		8/22/18	505262		3/5/19	513682		4/4/19	515187
4/5/18	501626		9/1/18	505585		3/7/19	513768		4/16/19	515768
4/10/18	501727		9/1/18	505584		3/8/19	513825		4/16/19	515767
4/13/18	501836		9/8/18	505800		3/12/19	514033		4/17/19	515838
4/17/18	501890		9/8/18	505798		3/12/19	514040		5/3/19	516621
4/20/18	501986		9/9/18	505845		3/14/19	514151		5/14/19	517098
5/1/18	502269		9/11/18	505945		3/15/19	514214		8/8/19	521647
5/4/18	502329		10/15/18	507180		3/15/19	514229		10/14/19	525750
5/22/18	502751		10/29/18	507749		3/19/19	514408		10/25/19	526451
5/23/18	502794		11/5/18	508084		3/19/19	514406		11/12/19	527719
6/27/18	503585		11/7/18	508253		3/21/19	514504		11/25/19	528507
7/5/18	503787		11/16/18	508637		3/25/19	514673			
7/7/18	503861		11/19/18	508744		3/27/19	514803			
8/1/18	504609		11/19/18	508746		4/2/19	515008			

34. Respondent Woodland Hills failed to fulfill their corresponding responsibility by repeatedly failing to resolve patterns of irregularities and red flags, and dispensing over 98,000 doses of controlled substances.

35. Respondent Woodland Hills operated in a manner that was a gross deviation from the standard of safe pharmacy practice, and which could cause harm to patients or other persons in violation of pharmacy law.

FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Excessive Furnishing of Controlled Substances)

36. Respondent Woodland Hills is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (d) in that Respondent excessively furnished controlled substances. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 27, 31 – 33 above, as if fully set forth herein.

Shahab Sajadi

SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Deviation from Prescription)

37. Respondent Shahab Sajadi (Respondent Sajadi) is subject to disciplinary action under Cal. Code of Regs. Title 16, section 1716 in that Respondent Sajadi deviated from the requirements of a prescription. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 25 and 26 above, as if fully set forth herein.

SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Failure to Document Verbal Orders)

38. Respondent Sajadi is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4070 in that Respondent failed to document an oral or electronic data transmission prescription. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 27 and 28 above, as if fully set forth herein.

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1 **EIGHTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

2 (Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Comply with Security Form Requirements)

3 39. Respondent Sajadi is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301,
4 subdivision (c) in conjunction with Health and Safety Code sections 11152 and 11164 in that
5 Respondent failed to ensure that controlled substances were dispensed in accordance with
6 security form requirements as required. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 27, 29 and 30
7 above, as if fully set forth herein.

8 **NINTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

9 (Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Comply with Corresponding Responsibility)

10 40. Respondent Sajadi is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 4301,
11 subdivision (c) and 4306.5, subdivisions (a) – (b) in conjunction with Cal. Code of Regs. Title 16,
12 section 1761, Health and Safety Code sections 11153 and Code of Fed. Regs. Title 21, Part 1306,
13 Section 04 in that Respondent failed to comply with its corresponding responsibility.
14 Complainant incorporates paragraphs 27, 31 – 33 above, as if fully set forth herein.

15 41. Respondent Sajadi owned, managed and operated Respondent Woodland Hills in an
16 unprofessional manner with the inappropriate exercise of his education, training or experience
17 and best professional judgment as a pharmacist by:

- 18 • Dispensing or allowing to be dispensed, controlled substance prescriptions and
19 ignoring or not being aware of, objective signs of irregularity and abuse;
20 • Dispensing or allowing to be dispensed, controlled substance prescriptions without
21 ensuring they were issued for a legitimate medical purpose and in the usual course
22 of professional practice;
23 • Failing to consult appropriate patient, prescription, and other records to prevent the
24 dispensing of illegitimate prescriptions;
25 • Failing to ensure compliance with pharmacy laws and regulations.

26 42. Respondent Sajadi failed to fulfill his corresponding responsibility by repeatedly
27 failing to resolve patterns of irregularities and red flags, and dispensing over 98,000 doses of
28 controlled substances.

43. Respondent Sajadi operated in a manner that was a gross deviation from the standard of safe pharmacy practice, and which could cause harm to patients or other persons in violation of pharmacy law.

TENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Consult Records)

44. Respondent Sajadi is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 4301, subdivision (c) and 4306.5, subdivision (c) in that Respondent failed to consult the appropriate patient, prescription, and other records pertaining to the performance of a pharmacy function. Complainant incorporates paragraph 41 above, as if fully set forth herein.

ELEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Maintain Patient-Specific Records)

45. Respondent Sajadi is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 4301, subdivision (c) and 4306.5, subdivision (d) in that Respondent failed to fully maintain and retain appropriate patient-specific information pertaining to the performance of a pharmacy function. Complainant incorporates paragraph 41 above, as if fully set forth herein.

TWELFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Excessive Furnishing of Controlled Substances)

46. Respondent Sajadi is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (d) in in that Respondent excessively furnished controlled substances. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 27, 31 – 33 above, as if fully set forth herein.

Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam

THIRTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Comply with Security Form Requirements)

47. Respondent Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam (Respondent Kambiz) is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (c) in conjunction with Health and Safety Code sections 11152 and 11164 in that Respondent failed to ensure that controlled

1 substances were dispensed in accordance with security form requirements as required.

2 Complainant incorporates paragraphs 27, 29 and 30 above, as if fully set forth herein.

3 **FOURTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

4 (Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Comply with Corresponding Responsibility)

5 48. Respondent Kambiz is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 4301,
6 subdivision (c) and 4306.5, subdivisions (a) – (b) in conjunction with Cal. Code of Regs. Title 16,
7 section 1761, Health and Safety Code sections 11153 and Code of Fed. Regs. Title 21, Part 1306,
8 Section 04 in that Respondent failed to comply with its corresponding responsibility.

9 Complainant incorporates paragraphs 27, 31 – 33 above, as if fully set forth herein.

10 49. Respondent Kambiz owned, managed and operated Respondent Woodland Hills in an
11 unprofessional manner with the inappropriate exercise of his education, training or experience
12 and best professional judgment as a pharmacist by:

- 13 • Dispensing or allowing to be dispensed, controlled substance prescriptions and
14 ignoring or not being aware of, objective signs of irregularity and abuse;
- 15 • Dispensing or allowing to be dispensed, controlled substance prescriptions without
16 ensuring they were issued for a legitimate medical purpose and in the usual course
17 of professional practice;
- 18 • Failing to consult appropriate patient, prescription, and other records to prevent the
19 dispensing of illegitimate prescriptions;
- 20 • Failing to ensure compliance with pharmacy laws and regulations.

21 50. Respondent Kambiz failed to fulfill his corresponding responsibility by repeatedly
22 failing to resolve patterns of irregularities and red flags, and dispensing over 98,000 doses of
23 controlled substances.

24 51. Respondent Kambiz operated in a manner that was a gross deviation from the
25 standard of safe pharmacy practice, and which could cause harm to patients or other persons in
26 violation of pharmacy law.

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1 **FIFTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

2 (Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Consult Records)

3 52. Respondent Kambiz is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 4301,
4 subdivision (c) and 4306.5, subdivision (c) in that Respondent failed to consult the appropriate
5 patient, prescription, and other records pertaining to the performance of a pharmacy function.
6 Complainant incorporates paragraph 49 above, as if fully set forth herein.

7 **SIXTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

8 (Unprofessional Conduct – Failure to Maintain Patient-Specific Records)

9 53. Respondent Kambiz is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 4301,
10 subdivision (c) and 4306.5, subdivision (d) in that Respondent failed to fully maintain and retain
11 appropriate patient-specific information pertaining to the performance of a pharmacy function.
12 Complainant incorporates paragraph 49 above, as if fully set forth herein.

13 **SEVENTEENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

14 (Unprofessional Conduct – Excessive Furnishing of Controlled Substances)

15 54. Respondent Kambiz is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301,
16 subdivision (d) in in that Respondent excessively furnished controlled substances. Complainant
17 incorporates paragraphs 27, 31 – 33 above, as if fully set forth herein.

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19 **OTHER MATTERS**

20 55. Pursuant to Code section 4307, if Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 55843 issued to
21 Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy is suspended, revoked, or
22 placed on probation, and Shahab Sajadi, while acting as the manager, administrator, owner,
23 member, officer, director, associate, or partner, had knowledge of or knowingly participated in
24 any conduct for which Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 55843 was revoked, suspended, or placed
25 on probation, Shahab Sajadi shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner,
26 member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee of the Board.

27 56. Pursuant to Code section 4307, if Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 55843 issued to
28 Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy is suspended, revoked, or

1 placed on probation, and Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam, while acting as the manager, administrator,
2 owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner, had knowledge of or knowingly
3 participated in any conduct for which Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 55843 was revoked,
4 suspended, or placed on probation, Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam shall be prohibited from serving as
5 a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee of
6 the Board.

7 57. Pursuant to Code section 4307, if Pharmacist License Number RPH 72295 issued to
8 Shahab Sajadi is suspended or revoked, he shall be prohibited from serving as a manager,
9 administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee.

10 58. Pursuant to Code section 4307, if Pharmacist License Number RPH 72851 issued to
11 Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam is suspended or revoked, he shall be prohibited from serving as a
12 manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee.

13 PRAYER

14 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,
15 and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:

16 1. Revoking or suspending Pharmacy Permit Number PHY 55843, issued to Woodland
17 Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Pharmacy Rx, Shahab Sajadi, CEO/Pres;

18 2. Prohibiting Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Pharmacy Rx
19 from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner
20 of a licensee for five years if Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 55843 is placed on probation or until
21 Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 55843 is reinstated if Pharmacy Permit No. PHY 55843 issued to
22 Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Pharmacy Rx is revoked;

23 3 Revoking or suspending Pharmacist License No. RPH 72295, issued to Shahab Sajadi
24 aka Shahaboddin Sajadi;

25 4. Prohibiting Shahab Sajadi aka Shahaboddin Sajadi, CEO/President from serving as a
26 manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for
27 five years if Pharmacist License No. RPH 72295 is placed on probation or until Pharmacist
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License No. PHY 72295 is reinstated if Pharmacist License No. PHY 72295 issued to Shahab Sajad aka Shahaboddin Sajadi is revoked;

5 Revoking or suspending Pharmacist License Number RPH 72851, issued to Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam aka Kambiz Ahmadi;

6 Prohibiting Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam aka Kambiz Ahmadi, secretary, from serving
as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee
for five years if Pharmacist License No. RPH 72851 is placed on probation or until Pharmacist
License No. PHY 72851 is reinstated if Pharmacist License No. PHY 72851 issued to Kambiz
Ahadimoghaddam aka Kambiz Ahmadi is revoked;

7. Ordering Woodland Hills Rx Pharmacy Corp. dba Woodland Hills Pharmacy Rx,
Shahab Sajad aka Shahaboddin Sajadi and Kambiz Ahadimoghaddam aka Kambiz Ahmadi 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; and,

8. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: 1/13/2021

Signature on File

ANNE SODERGREN
Executive Officer
Board of Pharmacy
Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California
Complainant

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