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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

CHRISTINE ANN THOMAS, R.Ph.,

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

RESPONDENT.

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The parties to this action for the purposes of §227.53, Wis. Stats., are:

*Ms. Christine Ann Thomas, R.Ph.  
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Montreal, WI 54550*

*Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining Board  
P.O. Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708-8935*

*Department of Regulation and Licensing  
Division of Enforcement  
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Madison, WI 53708-8935*

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Christine Ann Thomas (dob 7/6/1960) is and was at all times relevant to the facts set forth herein a registered pharmacist licensed in the State of Wisconsin pursuant to license #11042, originally granted on 12/16/1987.
2. On 9/30/1998, Respondent dispensed 20 tablets of hydrocodone, a controlled substance, to Northwoods Dental Clinic.
3. On 11/4/1998, Respondent dispensed 20 tablets of hydrocodone, a controlled substance, to Northwoods Dental Clinic.
4. Respondent treated these as prescription orders, and recorded and dispensed them accordingly. These prescription orders were not for any specific patients and were listed as having been dispensed to Northwoods Dental on the pharmacy's computerized prescription profile. Dr. V. from Northwoods Dental Clinic called in these orders because he wanted Northwoods Dental Clinic to have a supply of controlled substances on-hand in case patients needed pain medications.
5. Respondent stated that she was not aware that it was illegal to use a prescription order to obtain controlled substances for a facility or prescriber for the purpose of general dispensing to patients.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. The Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to §450.10, Wis. Stats. and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to §227.44(5), Wis. Stats.

B. The conduct described in paragraphs 3 through 8, above, violated § Phar 8.04(2) Wis. Adm. Code and 21 CFR §1306.04(b). Such conduct constitutes unprofessional conduct within the meaning of the Code and statutes.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the attached Stipulation is accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Christine Ann Thomas is REPRIMANDED for her unprofessional conduct in this matter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to §227.51(3), Wis. Stats., and ch. RL 6, Wis. Adm. Code, if the Board determines that there is probable cause to believe that respondent has violated any term of this Final Decision and Order, the Board may order that the license of respondent be summarily suspended pending investigation of the alleged violation.

Dated this May 17, 2000.

WISCONSIN PHARMACY EXAMINING BOARD, by:

s/

John Bohlman, R.Ph.

a member of the board