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# STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE PHARMACY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

JAMES E. MCCULLOUGH, R.PH., LICENSEE. : FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION

0005453

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 16 PHM 163

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

James E. McCullough, R.Ph. 1551 Evergreen Lane Lake Geneva, WI 53147

Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining Board P.O. Box 8366 Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 7190 Madison, WI 53707-7190

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Pharmacy Examining Board (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, Conclusions of Law and Order.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Licensee James E. McCullough, R.Ph., (dob January 17, 1943) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice pharmacy, having license number 7602-40, first issued on April 10, 1967, and current through May 31, 2018. Licensee's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 1551 Evergreen Lane, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin 53147.
- 2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Licensee was employed as a managing pharmacist at a pharmacy (Pharmacy), located in Walworth, Wisconsin.
- 3. On April 28, 2016, a significant number of controlled substances, including narcotics were stolen as a result of a night-time burglary from the Pharmacy.

- 4. The Walworth Police Department (WPD) has criminal charges pending against two (2) non-pharmacy employees for two (2) counts of burglary-building or dwelling, a felony, in violation of Wis. Stat. § 943.10(1m)(a); and two (2) counts of criminal damage to property, a misdemeanor, in violation of Wis. Stat. § 943.01(1), in Walworth County Circuit Court case nos. 2016CF339 and 2016CF358.
- 5. The Pharmacy had an alarm system hooked up through the telephone line. When the suspects broke into the Pharmacy, they cut the telephone lines leaving the alarm system disabled.
- 6. Since the above incident, the Pharmacy has changed its alarm system to a cellular based system which would detect any trespass to the Pharmacy and alert authorities immediately.
- 7. Even after the above incident, Licensee had his controlled substances located in an open shelf at the back of the Pharmacy in alphabetical order. Licensee neither had a secured storage area to store the controlled substances, nor stored the controlled substances in a manner that obstructs theft.
- 8. The Department's staff informed Licensee of storage requirements of controlled substances and now Licensee stores the controlled substances in a manner that obstructs theft in compliance with Wis. Admin. Code. § Phar 6.07.
- 9. In resolution of this matter, Licensee consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. The Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 450.10(1), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

#### **ORDER**

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. Within SIX (6) months of the date of this Order, James E. McCullough, R.Ph., shall at his own expense take and successfully complete ten (10) hours of education on the topic of pharmacy law and regulations related to controlled substances as follows:
  - a. Each course attended in satisfaction of this Order must be pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Licensee shall be responsible for locating course(s) satisfactory to the Board and for obtaining the required approval of the courses from the Board or its designee. Licensee must take and pass any exam offered for the course(s).
  - b. Licensee shall submit proof of successful completion of the education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below.

- c. None of the education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or Department.
- 3. Request for approval of courses and proof of successful course completion shall be sent by Licensee to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264

<u>DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov</u>

4. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN PHARMACY EXAMINING BOARD

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STIPULATION

JAMES E. MCCULLOUGH, R.PH.,

LICENSEE. : **0005**453

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 16 PHM 163

Licensee James E. McCullough, R.Ph., and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services stipulate as follows:

- 1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Licensee consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.
- 2. Licensee understands that by signing this Stipulation, Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:
  - the right to a hearing on the allegations against Licensee, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
  - the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Licensee;
  - the right to call witnesses on Licensee's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
  - the right to testify on Licensee's own behalf;
  - the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
  - the right to petition for rehearing; and
  - all other applicable rights afforded to Licensee under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.
- 3. Licensee is aware of Licensee's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.
- 4. Licensee agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Pharmacy Examining (Board). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Licensee waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.
- 5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division

of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

- 6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Board ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.
- 7. Licensee is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.
- 8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Licensee in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

8/22/17

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