

**IN THE MATTER OF
CRAIG HOLSTON, P.D.
LICENSE NO. 09940**

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**BEFORE THE MARYLAND
STATE BOARD OF
PHARMACY**

CONSENT ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT

Background Findings

On September 16, 2003, Mr. Holston submitted a Petition for Reinstatement to the Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") for reinstatement of his license to practice pharmacy. On December 17, 2003, Mr. Holston appeared before a quorum of the Board to present his case in support of reinstatement and to answer questions posed by the Board regarding his ability to practice pharmacy in a safe and ethical manner. Mr. Holston's son, father, and fiancé were also in attendance in support of Mr. Holston's petition.

Mr. Holston's license to practice pharmacy was summarily suspended on December 10, 1993, due to his arrest for possession of CDS paraphernalia, possession of cocaine, and possession of prescription drugs with intent to distribute. Mr. Holston subsequently pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance and received probation. Mr. Holston previously petitioned the Board for reinstatement in June 1998, at which time the Board set forth requirements that he must take and pass the reinstatement and law examinations and obtain 1000 hours of professional experience under the supervision of a pharmacist. While Mr. Holston passed both the reinstatement and law examinations in October 1998, he was not able to obtain his 1000 hours of professional experience until September 2003.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Mr. Holston entered and successfully completed a contract with the Pharmacists Education and Assistance Committee.
2. Mr. Holston submitted to a mental evaluation by David R. McDuff, M.D., on October 18, 2003, which included a drug screening. Dr. McDuff's evaluation found that Mr. Holston should be able to return safely to pharmacy practice and that the risk of addiction and depression relapse is low.
3. Mr. Holston has maintained a stable recovery since 1996.
4. The Board has received letters of support from Mr. Holston's prior PEAC sponsor, two pharmacy employers, family and friends.
4. Mr. Holston currently maintains his recovery by attending AA meetings and church.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Mr. Holston has successfully completed the terms of his PEAC contract and has otherwise demonstrated that he is capable of practicing pharmacy in a safe and ethical manner.

ORDER

Based on an affirmative vote of the Board, it is this 14th day of January, 2004, hereby:

ORDERED that Mr. Holston's license to practice pharmacy be reinstated, *PROVIDED* *THAT* Mr. Holston first successfully complete the following:

1. Maryland Reinstatement Examination;
2. Maryland Jurisprudence Examination;
3. 15 continuing education credits, with at least one of those credits focusing on new drugs of 2002 or 2003; and be it further,

ORDERED that upon reinstatement, Mr. Holston's license shall be immediately placed on INDEFINITE PROBATION, subject to the following conditions:

1. Mr. Holston shall enter into a contract with PEAC and abide by all of its terms and conditions;
2. Mr. Holston may only practice pharmacy in a setting in which another licensed pharmacist is present for the first 1000 hours of pharmacy employment;
3. Mr. Holston shall provide the Board with documentation that he has satisfied Probationary Condition No. 2 prior to being able to practice pharmacy without the presence of another pharmacist;
4. Mr. Holston is limited to practicing pharmacy no more than 40 hours per week for the first 1000 hours of pharmacy employment;
5. Mr. Holston shall notify the Board of his pharmacy employer and any changes in pharmacy employment for the first six (6) months of probation;
6. Mr. Holston's pharmacy employer shall be in good standing;
7. Mr. Holston shall provide the pharmacy employer with a copy of this Consent Order and insure that the attached verification form is completed by the employer and returned to the Board prior to commencing employment; and be it further

ORDERED that in the event the Board finds for any good faith reason that Mr. Holston has relapsed, has violated any of the conditions of probation herein, or in the event that the Board finds for any good faith reason that Mr. Holston has committed a violation of Title 12 of the Health Occupations Article or regulations adopted thereunder, the Board may immediately suspend Mr. Holston's license prior to a hearing; and be it further,

ORDERED that Mr. Holston may petition the Board for release from probation after three (3) years provided that he has been compliant with all of the terms of probation; and be it further,

ORDERED that this is a final order of the Maryland Board of Pharmacy and as such is a public document pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code, State Government Article, Section 10-617(h).

1/14/07
Date

Stanton G. Ades, P.D.
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President, Board of Pharmacy

CONSENT

1. By signing this Consent, I hereby admit to the truth of the findings contained herein and agree to be bound by the foregoing Consent Order and its conditions.
2. By this Consent, I submit to the foregoing Consent Order as a resolution of this matter. By signing this Consent, I waive any rights I may have had to contest the findings and determinations contained in this Consent Order.
3. I acknowledge the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to enter and enforce this Consent Order.
4. I sign this Consent Order freely and voluntarily, after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. I fully understand the language, meaning, and effect of this Consent Order.

1/13/04
Date

Craig Holston, P.D.
Craig Holston, P.D.

STATE OF MARYLAND
COUNTY/CITY OF Stear Springs ✓:

I hereby certify that on this 13th day of Jan, 2004, before me, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland and County/City aforesaid, personally appeared CRAIG HOLSTON, and made an oath in due form that the foregoing Consent was his voluntary act and deed.



Notary Public
My commission expires: _____

LANCE S. MELDON
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MARYLAND
My Commission Expires September 1, 2007