

IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE STATE
MELISSA WEE	*	BOARD OF
RESPONDENT	*	PHARMACY
REGISTRATION NO.: T06464	*	CASE NUMBER: PT-13-001/13-201

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FINAL ORDER OF REVOCATION OF PHARMACY TECHNICIAN REGISTRATION

The State Board of Pharmacy ("the Board") notified Melissa Ann Wee, ("the Respondent"), d.o.b. 7/10/1981 registration number: T06464, of the Board's intent to revoke her registration to practice as pharmacy technician under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. ("H.O.") §§ 12-101 *et seq.* (2009 Repl. Vol.). Specifically, the Board charged the Respondent with violating the following:

H. O. § 12- 6B-09. Grounds for reprimand or denial, probation, suspension or revocation of registration.

Subject to the hearing provision of § 12-315 of this title, the Board may deny a pharmacy technician's registration to any applicant, reprimand a registered pharmacy technician, place any pharmacy technician's registration on probation, or suspend or revoke a pharmacy technician's registration if the applicant or pharmacy technician registrant:

- (22) Pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to, or has been found guilty of, a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude, regardless of whether:
 - (i) An adjudication of guilt or sentencing or imposition of sentence is withheld; or
 - (ii) Any appeal or other proceeding is pending regarding the matter

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Board finds that:

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was registered to practice as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland. The Respondent was originally registered to practice as a pharmacy technician in Maryland on or about October 5, 2009.
2. The Respondent's registration expired on July 31, 2011.
3. On or about March 30, 2012, the Respondent was indicted by the Grand Jury for Anne Arundel County, Maryland to one (1) count of Medicaid Fraud, in violation of Md. Crim. Law Code Ann. § 8-509, one (1) count of Conspiracy to Commit Misdemeanor Medicaid Fraud, in violation of the Common Law for the State Maryland, one (1) count of Felony Theft, in violation of Md. Crim. Law Code Ann. § 7-104, one (1) count of Conspiracy to commit Felony Theft, in violation of the Common Law of the State Maryland, and one (1) of Distribution of Controlled Dangerous Substance-Hydrocodone, in violation of Md. Crim. Law Code Ann. § 5-602.
4. On or about August 7, 2012, the Respondent pled guilty in the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County, Maryland, to one (1) count of Conspiracy to Commit Misdemeanor Medicaid Fraud, in violation of Md. Crim. Law Code Ann. § 8-509.
5. On or about August 7, 2012, the Respondent was sentenced by Circuit Court Judge Paul A Hackner, to a period of eighteen (18) months incarceration, with all but thirty (30) days stayed.

6. The Respondent pled guilty to and was convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude.

7. The facts, as set forth above, are grounds for the revocation of the Respondent's registration under H.O. § 12-6B-09.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that the Respondent violated H.O. § 12-6B-09 (22).

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is this 17th day of July 2013, by a majority of the quorum of the Board, hereby

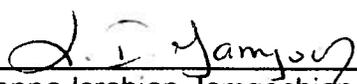
ORDERED that the registration of the Respondent to practice as a pharmacy technician, is hereby **REVOKED** and the Board will not accept, from the Respondent, any future application for licensure, certification, and/or registration; and it is further

ORDERED that for purposes of public disclosure and as permitted by Md. State Govt. Code Ann. §§ 10-601 *et seq.* (2009 Repl. Vol.), this document consists of the contents of the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order, and is reportable to any entity to whom the Board is obligated to report: and it is further

ORDERED that this Order is final and a public document pursuant to Md. State Govt. Code Ann. §§ 10-601 *et seq.* (2009 Repl. Vol.).

Date

7/17/2013



Lenna Israbian-Jamgochian, PharmD
President
State Board of Pharmacy