IN THE MATTER OF * BEFORE THE STATE

FEMI A. AJIMATANRAREJE, JR. * BOARD OF

RESPONDENT * PHARMACY

REGISTRATION NO.: T07966 * CASE NUMBER: PT-12-013/12-

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ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Pursuant to Md. State Govt. Code Ann. §10-226 (c) (2009 Repl. Vol.), the State Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") hereby summarily suspends the registration of Femi A. Ajimatanrareje, Jr., Registration Number: T07966 (the "Respondent"), to practice as a registered pharmacy technician under the Maryland Pharmacy Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. ("H. O.") §§12-101 *et seq.* (2009 Repl. Vol.). This Order is based on the following investigative findings, which the Board has reason to believe are true:¹

INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was and is licensed to practice as a registered pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland. The Respondent was originally registered to practice as a pharmacy technician in Maryland on or about August 26, 2010.

¹ The statements regarding the Respondent's conduct are only intended to provide the Respondent with notice of the basis for the Board's action. They are not intended as, and do not necessarily represent a complete description of the evidence, either documentary or testimonial, to be offered against the Respondent in this matter.

- 2. The Respondent's registration expires on April 30, 2012.
- 3. On or about August 1, 2011, a Loss Prevention Manager for CVS/Caremark Pharmacy ("CVS") notified the Board that the Respondent had stolen controlled substances from two CVS pharmacies where he had worked as a pharmacy technician.
- 4. The thefts occurred at CVS Store 1447("Store 1447") located at 320 Bomer Avenue Laurel, Maryland and CVS Store1459 ("Store 1459") located at 12359 George Avenue, Silver Spring Maryland.
- 5. The Loss Prevention Manager reported that in or around January 2011, an employee noticed discrepancies in the inventory for various controlled substances.
- 6. Following an internal investigation, the Loss Prevention Manager, confronted the Respondent after discovering that unauthorized orders for Xanax and Valium had been placed by an employee working at Store 1459.
- 7. The investigation revealed that the Respondent had worked at Store 1459 during the times that the unauthorized orders had been made.
- 8. When confronted by the Loss Prevention Manager, the Respondent admitted verbally and in writing that he had been steeling drugs from CVS since 2010. The Respondent admitted that he had taken Valium, Promethazine/Codeine Syrup, Vicodin, Loratadine, and Soma from CVS.
- 9. The Respondent told the Loss Prevention Manage that he removed the medication from the pharmacy and left the medication in a bathroom located in pharmacy for a friend to pick it up.
- 10. The Respondent admitted that he took medication from the pharmacy about two-three times per month.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing investigative findings, the Board concludes that the public health, safety, and welfare imperatively requires emergency action in this case, pursuant to Md. State Gov't. Code Ann. § 10-226(c) (2).

<u>ORDER</u>

Based on the foregoing Investigative Findings and Conclusions of Law, it is this 3/5f

ORDERED that the registration issued to the Respondent to practice as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland under registration number T07966 is hereby SUMMARILY SUSPENDED; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent is prohibited from practicing as a pharmacy technician in the State of Maryland; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent shall immediately return all registrations to the Board; and it is further

ORDERED that this ORDER FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION is a PUBLIC DOCUMENT as defined in Md. State Gov't Code Ann. §§ 10-611 et seq. (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2011 Supp.).

1/31/12 Date

LaVerne G. Naesea, Executive Director Maryland Board of Pharmacy