IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE
JAMES GREENWALD, R.Ph.	*	MARYLAND STATE
LICENSE NO. 08846	*	BOARD OF PHARMACY
	*	Case No. 18-184

### PRE-CHARGE CONSENT ORDER

# **Background**

The Maryland Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") received a complaint from a patient (Patient "A") alleging that James Greenwald, R.Ph. ("Respondent"), dispensed the wrong medication to Patient A on May 3, 2018, and Patient A suffered adverse reactions as a result.

In lieu of instituting formal proceedings against the Respondent, in accordance with the Maryland Pharmacy Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 12-101 et seq., the Board and Respondent, have agreed to resolve this matter as set forth in this Pre-Charge Consent Order.

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- On or about June 29, 1978, the Respondent was issued a license to practice pharmacy in Maryland. The Respondent's license is active and will expire on October 31, 2020.
- 2. At all times relevant, the Respondent practiced at a chain community pharmacy in Rockville, Maryland.
- On or about May 3, 2018, the Respondent erroneously dispensed a prescription for Clonidine 1 mg that was prepared for another patient to Patient A instead of Lorazepam 1 mg, as prescribed.

- 4. Patient A asserts that she suffered injury as a result.
- 5. The Respondent indicated factors that may have contributed to the error were that the two medications were "look-alike/sound-alike", as well as environmental distractions.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that James Greenwald, R.Ph., License Number 08846, is subject to discipline in accordance with Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 12-313(b)(25) and COMAR 10.34.10.01B.

#### <u>ORDER</u>

Based upon an affirmative vote of the Board under the authority of Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. Art. § 12-313, it this 22nd day of January, 2019, hereby,

ORDERED that James Greenwald, License No. 08846, shall be pay a FINE in the amount of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00) payable to the Maryland Board of Pharmacy within sixty (60) days, and sent to:

Wells Fargo
Attn: State of Maryland - Board of Pharmacy
Lockbox 2051
7175 Columbia Gateway Drive
Columbia, Maryland 21046
(Please include the Case Number 18-184 to ensure proper assignment.)

and be it further.

ORDERED that James Greenwald shall successfully complete six (6) continuing education credits in medication error prevention within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order and submit to the Board proof of completion; and be it further,

ORDERED that this is a formal order and as such is a public document pursuant to Md. Code Ann., General Provisions Article § 4-333.

1-22-19

Deena Speignts-Napata,

**Executive Director for:** 

Kevin Morgan, Pharm.D. Board President

#### **CONSENT**

- 1. By signing this Consent, James Greenwald submits to the foregoing Consent Order as a resolution of this matter and agrees to be bound by its terms and conditions.
- 2. Mr. Greenwald acknowledges the validity of this Consent Order as if it were made after a hearing in which Mr. Greenwald would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, and to all other substantial procedural protections provided by law.
- 3. Mr. Greenwald acknowledges that, by entering into this Consent Order, he is waiving his right to appeal any adverse ruling of the Board that might have followed such an evidentiary hearing.
- 4. Mr. Greenwald acknowledges the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to enter and enforce this Consent Order.
- 5. Mr. Greenwald acknowledges that this Consent Order is a public document under the Maryland Public Information Act, Gen. Provisions Art., § 4-333, and shall be reported to the National Practitioner Databank and the National Boards of Pharmacy.
- 6. Mr. Greenwald signs this Consent Order freely and voluntarily, after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. Mr. Greenwald fully understands the language, meaning, and effect of this Consent Order.

James Greenwald, R.Ph.

STATE OF MARYLAND, COUNTY/CITY OF MONTGOMERY:

I hereby certify that on this 16<sup>Th</sup> day of <u>January</u>, 201**9**, before me, a Notary Public of the State of <u>Martiano</u> and County/City-aforesaid, personally appeared JAMES GRENWALD, and made an oath in due form that the foregoing Consent was his voluntary act and deed.

**Notary Public** 

My commission expires: 03/02/2021

CECELIA K MILAMBO Notary Public - State of Maryland Montgomery County My Commission Expires Mar 2, 2021