

December 28, 2021

TAYLOR BROOKS
2610 STRAUSS BLVD, #705
JUNCTION CITY, KS 66441

RE: Case No. 21-257

Dear Ms. Brooks:

Enclosed you will find a Summary Order issued by the Kansas Board of Pharmacy (Board) in the above-referenced matter. Please read the order in its entirety. In addition, a civil fine has been assessed totaling \$300. Please submit a check or money order made payable to the Kansas Board of Pharmacy and include your case number in the check memo.

If you disagree with the findings of fact, you have the right to request a hearing. Instructions for filing a written request are included under the "Notices" section of the order. Hearings are held before the full Board during their regularly scheduled quarterly meetings.

According to KSA 65-1627h, the Board is required to recoup the costs of administrative hearings when the decision is adverse to the licensee. These costs may include charges for services rendered by the Board's disciplinary counsel, an administrative law judge, and, if applicable, a court reporter.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Board at Pharmacy.Compliance@ks.gov.

Sincerely,

Kansas Board of Pharmacy

Enclosure

BEFORE THE KANSAS BOARD OF PHARMACY

In the Matter of)
)
Taylor Brooks)
)
Registration No. 14-115668)

Case No. 21-257

SUMMARY ORDER

NOW, on this 28th day of December 2021, comes before the Kansas Board of Pharmacy (the “Board”), through its Executive Secretary, the matter of Taylor Brooks (“Applicant”), for application for registration as a Kansas pharmacy technician.

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Board by the Kansas Pharmacy Act, K.S.A. 65-1625, *et seq.*, and in accordance with the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act, K.S.A. 77-501, *et seq.*, the Board’s Executive Secretary enters this Summary Order in the above-captioned matter. After reviewing the application materials and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, the Board makes the following findings, conclusions and order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On August 12, 2021, the Board received Applicant’s application for registration as a pharmacy technician in the State of Kansas (“Applicant’s Application”).

2. Applicant answered “YES” to the following questions on her application: *Have you been charged with or convicted of (includes plea of guilty or no contest) a criminal offense or is there any criminal charge now pending against you (other than minor traffic violations) in any state or federal court whether or not a sentence was imposed, suspended, or diverted? This includes misdemeanor* and *Have you ever been pardoned from a felony or misdemeanor criminal conviction* and *Have you ever been charged with or convicted of (includes plea of guilty or no*

contest) a violation of any federal or state drug law(s) or rule(s) whether or not a sentence was imposed, suspended, or diverted? The application directs that if the applicant gives an answer of “YES”, the applicant must attach a Form S-150: Personal History (“S-150”).

3. As part of the application, Applicant certified that the information she provided was true, correct, and complete to the best of her knowledge.

4. Applicant’s S-150 and court documents disclosed charges from 2014 for possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, and child endangerment. Applicant pled no contest to the latter two charges, was found guilty of such, and so was placed on 12-month probation, completed in February of 2016.

5. Subsequently, the Board received information regarding the following offenses: 2011 charges of aiding a person charged as a felon, possession of paraphernalia, distribution of marijuana, possession of stolen property, and obstructing apprehension of prosecution; 2014 charges of possession of a depressant and distribution of < 3.5 grams of opiate/narcotic/heroin/stimulant within 1000 feet from a school.

6. On October 12, 2021, the Board mailed Applicant a letter requesting a more thorough S-150 detailing these charges, as well as certified copies of the court pleadings from each case.

7. On October 30, 2021, the Board received the requested documents.

8. Applicant’s statement and documents indicated that the 2011 charges were dismissed, and that the 2014 charges were an extension of those disclosed in her Application. Applicant’s probation period for the 2014 charges, two of which were dropped, was voluntarily extended through to the February 2016 termination date so that she might have time to pay her

court fines. Applicant included no letters of recommendation, but noted bettering her life and completing several professional certifications since the time of the 2014 incident.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1658, the Board may assess a civil fine not to exceed \$5,000, after notice and an opportunity to be heard, to any registrant for violation of the Pharmacy Act of the State of Kansas or any other rules or regulations of the State Board of Pharmacy.

2. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1663, the Board may take action on an application for issuance of any registration as a pharmacy technician on any ground which would authorize the Board to take action against the license of a pharmacist under K.S.A. 65-1627, and amendments thereto.

3. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(1), the Board may discipline the license of any pharmacist who has attempted to obtain a license by false or fraudulent means, including misrepresentation of a material fact.

4. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(3), the Board may place in a probationary status the license of any pharmacist who has been found guilty of unprofessional conduct.

5. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1626(uuu), unprofessional conduct includes conduct likely to deceive or harm the public, or fraud in securing a registration.

6. Applicant's failure to disclose any of her multiple 2011 criminal charges on her application, after having certified as to its completeness, is a misrepresentation of material fact and a basis to impose a civil fine against any registration granted to Applicant pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(1) and 65-1658.

7. Applicant's incident of possession of marijuana and child endangerment is a basis to place Applicant's registration in a probationary status pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(3), as the

potential harm of breaking laws and endangering the public may place the pharmacy community at risk.

8. To prevent harm, the issuance of any registration to Applicant should be carefully supervised and scrutinized to ensure the protection of the public.

ORDER

Based upon the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, Applicant's Application for issuance of pharmacy technician registration is hereby GRANTED, SUBJECT TO A 3-YEAR PROBATIONARY STATUS AND THE PAYMENT OF A \$300 FINE, for the violations. Applicant has 30 days from the date of this order to pay the fine. The terms of Applicant's probation are as follows:

- Applicant must notify the Board of any change in her court status within 10 days of the change;
- Applicant must notify the Board of any arrest or criminal charge within 10 days of the date of the arrest or charge;
- Applicant must notify the Board of any change in employment within 10 days of the change and obtain Board approval for the change;
- Applicant must inform employers of the probationary status of her pharmacy technician registration;
- Applicant must obtain the signature of her pharmacist-in-charge (PIC) documenting knowledge of her probationary status to the Board; and
- Applicant must comply with all rules and regulations of the Pharmacy Practice Act.

NOTICES

Applicant is hereby notified as follows:

1. Applicant may request a hearing pursuant to the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act by filing a written request with the Kansas Board of Pharmacy, 800 SW Jackson, Suite 1414, Topeka, KS 66612-1231 within fifteen (15) days after service of this order.
2. If a hearing is not requested as described above, the Order shall become a final order of the Board, effective upon the expiration of the time to request a hearing.
3. Within fifteen (15) days after entry of a final agency order, either party may file a petition for reconsideration pursuant to K.S.A. 77-529.
4. Within the time limits established in K.S.A. 77-613, either party may seek judicial review of a final agency order, pursuant to said statute. The agency officer designated to receive service of a petition for judicial review is

Alexandra Blasi, JD, MBA
Executive Secretary
Kansas Board of Pharmacy
800 SW Jackson, Suite 1414
Topeka, KS 66612

IT IS SO ORDERED.

12/28/2021

Date




Alexandra Blasi, JD, MBA
Executive Secretary
Kansas Board of Pharmacy

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did, on the 28th day of December 2021, deposit in business mail a copy of the foregoing Summary Order, which is then placed in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, properly addressed to the following:

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Kansas Board of Pharmacy Staff