BEFORE THE KANSAS BOARD OF PHARMACY

In The Matter Of)	
)	Case No. 14-50
SHARON GRIFFITHS)	
Pharmacy Technician)	
Registration No. 14-14122)	
)	

FINAL AGENCY ORDER

On July 25, 2014, the Kansas Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") held a hearing on the allegations that Sharon Griffiths ("Griffiths"), while acting as a pharmacy technician stole controlled substances from her employer. Nguyen did/did not appear in person. Randall J. Forbes of Frieden, Unrein & Forbes, LLP appeared as the Board's Disciplinary Counsel. After considering the evidence admitted at the hearing, the Board enters the following final agency order.

I. FINDING OF FACT

- 1. The Board previously issued Griffiths Kansas Pharmacy Technician registration number 14-14122, which entitled her to engage in the practice of a pharmacy technician in the State of Kansas.
- 2. On April 23, 2014, Nguyen signed a written statement admitting that while acting as a pharmacy technician at the Dillons Pharmacy at 4747 S. Broadway in Wichita, Kansas she stole Lortab, Norco (hydrocodone) and Xanax (alprazolam). As a result of her theft, Griffiths was in unlawful possession of those drugs.

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND FACT

1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1663(e)(1) the Board may take disciplinary action, including revocation, against the registration of a pharmacy technician on any grounds which would authorize the Board to take action against the license of a pharmacist under K.S.A. 65-1627 and amendments thereto.

2. Pursuant to 65-1627(a)(3), the Board can take disciplinary action against the Kansas license of a pharmacist for unprofessional conduct. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1626 (ccc)(5), unprofessional conduct includes the unlawful possession of drugs.

3. As a result of Griffiths' theft of drugs from her employer, the Board can revoke her Kansas pharmacy technician registration.

III. FINAL ORDER

Based upon the evidence introduced at the hearing held July 25, 2014 and the foregoing findings and conclusions, Griffiths' Kansas pharmacy technician registration is hereby REVOKED.

Within fifteen (15) days after service of this Final Agency Order, either party may file a petition for reconsideration pursuant to K.S.A. 77-529.

Within the time limits established in K.S.A. 77-613, either party may seek judicial review of this Final Agency Order, pursuant to said statute. The agency officer designated to receive service of a petition for judicial review is:

Debra Billingsley Executive Director Kansas Board of Pharmacy 800 Jackson, Suite 1414 Topeka, KS 66612

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DAVID R. SCHOLECH, R.Ph.
President
Kansas Board of Pharmacy

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did, on the <u>25</u> day of <u>July</u>, 2014, deposit in the United States mail, postage prepaid, a copy of the foregoing FINAL AGENCY ORDER, properly addressed to the following:

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