

March 18, 2022

Richard Gutoski  
43946 W Wade Dr  
Maricopa AZ 85138

RE: Case No. 22-085

Dear Mr. Gutoski:

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 \$120. 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](mailto:Pharmacy.Compliance@ks.gov).

Sincerely,

Kansas Board of Pharmacy

Enclosure

BEFORE THE KANSAS BOARD OF PHARMACY

In the Matter of )  
Richard Gutoski )  
License No. 1-106704 )

Case No. 22-085

**SUMMARY ORDER**

NOW on this 18th day of March, 2022 comes before the Kansas Board of Pharmacy (the “Board”), through its Executive Secretary, the matter of Richard Gutoski (“Respondent”).

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 investigation materials and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, makes the following findings, conclusions and order:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. The Board has previously issued Respondent License No. 1-106704 which entitles Respondent to practice as a pharmacist in the State of Kansas.
2. On January 12, 2022, Respondent ceased to serve as Pharmacist-in-Charge (“PIC”) at Walgreens Pharmacy.
3. On February 10, 2022, the Board received a Change in PIC Form BA-50, notifying the Board that Respondent had ceased to serve as PIC effective January 12, 2022.
4. On or about February 10, 2022, the Board processed the PIC change.

## 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.A.R. 68-2-5, each pharmacist shall notify the board in writing within five days of ceasing to serve as the pharmacist-in-charge at a pharmacy or registrant required to have a pharmacist-in-charge. The notice shall include the pharmacist's name, the name and address of the pharmacy or registrant, and the date the pharmacist ceased to serve as the pharmacist-in-charge.

3. Respondent had five days to notify the Board of Respondent's resignation as PIC effective January 12, 2022, or until January 17, 2022.

4. Respondent failed to notify the Board of Respondent's resignation as PIC until February 10, 2022 – twenty-four (24) days past the deadline.

5. Respondent violated K.A.R. 68-2-5 by failing to notify the Board of Respondent's resignation as PIC within five days.

## ORDER

Based upon the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, Respondent is ordered to pay a fine of \$120 to the Board within 30 days from the date of this Order.

## NOTICES

The Respondent is hereby notified as follows:

1. The Respondent 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  
Executive Secretary  
Kansas Board of Pharmacy  
800 SW Jackson, Suite 1414  
Topeka, KS 66612

IT IS SO ORDERED.

3/18/2022

Date



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

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did, on the 18th day of March, 2022 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:

Richard Gutoski  
43946 W Wade Dr  
Maricopa AZ 85138



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Kansas Board of Pharmacy Staff