

BEFORE THE KANSAS BOARD OF PHARMACY

In the Matter of)
Chelsea Stone Bontrager)
Registration No. 14-05470)

Case No. 21-031

SUMMARY ORDER OF REVOCATION

NOW, on this 13th day of April 2021, comes before the Kansas Board of Pharmacy (the “Board”), through its Executive Secretary, the matter of Chelsea Stone Bontrager (“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 of Revocation in the above-captioned matter. After reviewing the investigation materials and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, the Board makes the following findings, conclusions and order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Board has issued Respondent Pharmacy Technician Registration Number 14-05470 authorizing Respondent to perform the functions of a pharmacy technician in the State of Kansas (“Respondent’s Registration”).

2. At all times relevant hereto, Respondent was employed as a pharmacy technician at Walgreens Pharmacy #2751, located at 13534 West Maple Street in Wichita, Kansas (“the Pharmacy”).

3. Respondent has admitted that on January 17, 2021, she diverted methylphenidate from a patient’s bag into her own, removing her own bupirone prescription and placing it back on the pharmacy shelf. Respondent then proceeded to pay for what should have been her bupirone

prescription. Additionally, Respondent and one of her coworkers both admitted to having regularly been trading their personal prescriptions of alprazolam and lorazepam with one another, throughout the approximately six months preceding Respondent's diversion.

4. On February 23, 2021, the Board's inspector received a call from the Pharmacy's Asset Protection Manager, notifying the Board of Respondent's diversion admission.

5. Following this call, the Board's inspector received copies of the DEA theft/loss notification and the statements of admission, and subsequently conducted an investigation.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. That pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1663 the Board may limit, suspend, or revoke a registration or deny an application for issuance or renewal 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.

2. That the Board may take action against the license of a pharmacist for unprofessional conduct or professional incompetency as set forth in K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(3).

3. That K.S.A. 65-1626(uuu) defines unprofessional conduct to include the unlawful possession of drugs and/or conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public.

4. Respondent's conduct in stealing drugs from her employer and Respondent's disregard for the potential harmful effects of her action to the public are violations of K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(3) and are bases to revoke Respondent's Registration.

ORDER

Based upon the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, Respondent's Registration is hereby REVOKED.

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.

4/13/2021

Date



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

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did, on the 13th day of April 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:

CHELSEA STONE BONTRAGER
109 W WINTERSET CIR
GODDARD, KS 67052



Kansas Board of Pharmacy Staff