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**BOARD OF PHARMACY**

STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION  
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF

GREGORY S. TREMO, R.P.  
License No. 28RI02133700

TO PRACTICE PHARMACY IN THE  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

**ORDER FOR SURRENDER  
OF LICENSURE**

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Pharmacy ("Board") by receipt of information that on or about May 11, 2006 Gregory S. Tremo, R.P. entered into a Consent Order with the Virginia State Board of Pharmacy for an indefinite suspension until such time as respondent can present evidence to the Virginia Board that he is safe and competent to resume the practice of pharmacy. Specifically, respondent diverted from his employer's active drug stock Soma, Hydrocodone and Fiorcet (Schedule III controlled dangerous substances) for his own personal and unauthorized use. Further, his consumption of these medications resulted in numerous prescription errors.

In lieu of a proceeding to temporarily suspend respondent's license to practice pharmacy pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21, respondent has voluntarily agreed to refrain from further practice of pharmacy and to surrender his original certificate and license renewal, pending further order of the Board. The Board finding the within disposition to be adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare,

IT IS THEREFORE ON THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2006,

ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent Gregory s. Tremo, R.P., is hereby granted leave and shall immediately surrender his license to practice pharmacy in the State of New Jersey, to be deemed a suspension pending further order from the Board. This surrender of licensure shall take place immediately upon the entry date of this Order.
2. Respondent shall cease and desist from engaging in the practice of pharmacy, which includes, but is not limited to the following: respondent shall not handle, order, inventory, compound, count, fill, refill or dispense any drug; he shall not handle anything requiring a prescription, including devices and medications; he shall not handle prescriptions; he shall not advise or consult with patients, and he is prohibited from being present within a prescription filling area of a pharmacy.
3. Respondent shall surrender his original wall certificate, his wallet certificate, and his most recent renewal card of his license to the Executive Director of the Board immediately upon the entry of this Order by mailing same to Joanne

Boyer, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, P.O. Box 45013,  
Newark, New Jersey 07101.

4. Prior to any reinstatement of his license, respondent shall provide proof of the full reinstatement of his license in Virginia and shall:

- (a) Appear before the Board, or a committee thereof, to discuss his readiness to re-enter the practice of pharmacy. At that time, respondent shall be prepared to propose his plans for future employment in New Jersey. The Board hereby agrees to schedule respondent's appearance within ninety (90) days following respondent's written request for reinstatement addressed to the Executive Director of the Board. Respondent hereby agrees to provide the Board with the documentation requested in Subsections (d) through (g) of Paragraph 4 of this Order, prior to making his written request for reinstatement or with his written request for reinstatement;
- (b) Provide the Board with evidence that he is capable of discharging the functions of a licensee in a manner consistent with the public's health, safety and welfare and that he is not then suffering from any impairment

- or limitation resulting from the use of alcohol, or any drug which would affect his ability to practice;
- (c) Provide the Board with evidence that he is not a habitual user of alcohol, drugs or intoxicants in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(1) and is not engaged in professional misconduct in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e);
  - (d) Provide the Board with complete treatment records of all diagnostic and rehabilitative therapy and an in-depth, current evaluation from a Board approved psychiatrist or psychologist. In addition, respondent shall provide reports from each and every mental health professional (including, but not limited to: psychologists, psychiatrists, counselors, and therapists) who have participated in respondent's care and/or treatment during the period of time from his entry into treatment to his appearance before the Board;
  - (e) Submit documentation to the board that he has participated in random, weekly, and directly witnessed urine monitoring, and has not had

any positive test results for alcohol or any other psychoactive substances.

- (f) Provide the Board with proof that he has satisfied the continuing education requirements of the Board, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:14-11.11 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 13:39-3A et seq.; and
- (g) Provide the Board with a full account of his conduct during the intervening period of time from his entry into treatment to his appearance pursuant to this Order.

5. The parties hereby stipulate that entry of this Order is without prejudice to further action by this Board or other law enforcement entities resulting from respondent's conduct prior to entry of this Order.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

By: Edward G. McGinley RPh  
Edward G. McGinley, R.Ph.  
President

I have read the within Order, understand its terms and agree to be bound by them. I consent to entry of the Order by the New Jersey State Board of Pharmacy.

Gregory S. Tremb, R.Ph.  
Respondent