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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR	:	
REVOCAION OF THE REGISTRATION OF	:	
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<b>JOANNE M. NEWMAN</b>	:	
License No.: 28RW00963700	:	CONSENT ORDER
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TO PRACTICE AS A PHARMACY TECHNICIAN:	:	
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Pharmacy (“Board”) upon receipt of information that Joanne M. Newman (“Respondent”) , pharmacy technician, was arrested on February 11, 2013 and charged with nine counts of knowingly acquiring or obtaining possession of a controlled dangerous substance by fraud in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-13.

Specifically, Respondent is charged with dispensing the following controlled substances and prescription legend drugs on multiple occasions between November 2009 and May 2012 without a valid prescription: Alprozolam, Hydrocodone, Xodol, Topiramate, Abilify, Tramadol, Hydrocodone, Paroxetine, and Diphenoxyl.

The Board finds that the above allegations, if proven, would provide grounds to take disciplinary action against Respondent's registration to practice as a pharmacy technician in New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (f), in that Respondent has been charged with engaging in acts constituting crimes of moral turpitude and crimes which relate adversely to the practice of pharmacy.

The parties having agreed to the resolution of this matter without further formal proceedings, and Respondent having agreed and given her voluntary consent to the within Interim Order and waiving any right to a hearing in this matter, and the Board finding the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare and other good cause having been shown;

**IT IS, therefore on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013**

**ORDERED THAT:**

1. Respondent is hereby granted leave and shall immediately surrender her registration to practice as a pharmacy technician in the State of New Jersey pending disposition of the criminal charges and until further Order of the Board.
2. Respondent shall surrender her original wall certificate and the most recent renewal card of her registration to the Executive Director of the Board immediately upon the entry of this Order by mailing same to Anthony Rubinaccio, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, P.O. Box 45013, Newark, New Jersey 07101.
3. Respondent shall refrain from practicing as a pharmacy technician and shall not represent herself as a licensed pharmacy technician unless her registration is reinstated. Any practice in this State prior to such reinstatement shall constitute grounds for a charge of unlicensed practice. For the purposes of this Order, practice as a pharmacy technician includes, but is not limited to the following: respondent shall not retrieve prescription files or patient files; shall not prepare medication labels; shall not engage in

data entry for any pharmacy, shall not count, weigh, measure, pour or compound prescription medication or stock prescription legend drugs or controlled substances; shall not fill an automated medication system; shall not accept authorization for a prescription refill or renewal; shall not handle anything requiring a prescription, including devices and medications; respondent shall not handle prescriptions; and shall not be present within a prescription filling area of a pharmacy.

4. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed prejudicial or an admission of liability on the part of the Respondent should she seek reinstatement of her registration to practice as a pharmacy technician.

5. The entry of the within Order is without prejudice to the further investigation and/or prosecution of any violations by respondent of any statutes or regulations governing the practice of pharmacy in the State or any violations of law, by the Board, the Attorney General or any other regulatory or law enforcement agency, including but not limited to any pending matters under investigation and the conduct relating to Respondent as alleged above.

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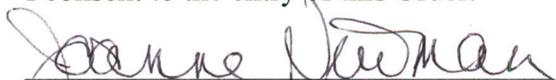
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