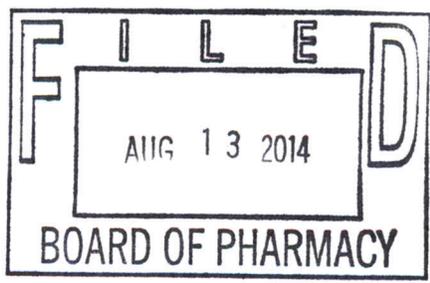


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION : **Administrative Action**
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF :
:
VINCENT A. COZZARELLI, R.P. : **INTERIM CONSENT ORDER**
License No. 28R101177600 :
:
TO PRACTICE PHARMACY IN THE :
STATE OF NEW JERSEY :

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Pharmacy("Board) upon receipt of information alleging that Vincent A. Cozzarelli, R.P., ("Respondent") was engaged in the improper diversion, dispensing or distribution of prescription medications including, controlled substances, primarily Oxycodone and Alprazolam; and upon information that federal authorities arrested him as well as executed a search warrant at his residence and pharmacy on August 13, 2014 and that on or about the same date the United States Attorney for the District

of New Jersey charged him with participation in a narcotics conspiracy.

Respondent, who is the Pharmacist-in-Charge (RPIC) and majority owner of Rossmore Pharmacy located at 338 Washington Avenue, Belleville, New Jersey, 07109, having been advised that he may consult legal counsel before signing this interim order, does not admit the conduct alleged, but has expressed his consent to the temporary suspension of his license pending the outcome of criminal proceedings and/or further order of the Board.

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 13th DAY OF August 2014,
ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Respondent, Vincent A. Cozzarelli, R.P., is hereby granted leave and shall surrender his license to practice pharmacy in the State of New Jersey to be deemed a temporary suspension, effective immediately and until further order of the Board and the resolution of criminal charges against him.

2. Effective immediately, 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 any area of a pharmacy which is not open to the general public, including, but not limited to 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: Anthony Rubinaccio, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, P.O. Box 45013, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

4. Respondent shall comply with the regulations pertaining to closing of pharmacies including N.J.A.C. 13:39-4.10 and 4.11. Respondent shall ensure that the pharmacy inventory of the pharmacy over which he has or had custody and control is secured.

5. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed an admission of liability on the part of the Respondent with regard to the improper dispensing of controlled substances as described above.

6. Respondent understands that this Interim Order is independent of, and not in lieu of, criminal proceedings and further agrees that resolution of the pending criminal charges will not resolve any matter which has, or could, be brought before the Board. The parties hereby stipulate that entry of this Order

is without prejudice to the filing of an Administrative Complaint and/or further investigation and/or action by this Board or other law enforcement entities resulting from Respondent's conduct. The parties further stipulate that the entry of this Order is without admission of any wrongdoing by Respondent.

7. Respondent may apply to the Board to request a hearing for modification of the terms of this Interim Order. If Respondent requests a hearing to modify this Interim Order, the Board shall convene a hearing within forty-five (45) days of Respondent's request to determine whether the restraints in the Interim Order should continue under the requirements set forth in N.J.S.A. 45:1-22. The Board may hear any application pursuant to this paragraph at its next regularly scheduled Board meeting and/or, in its sole discretion, at a specially convened committee meeting of the Board.

8. Respondent has been specifically informed that he may consult an attorney to represent him in this matter. Respondent acknowledges that he has been advised of the ability to consult with counsel and that he chooses to voluntarily enter into this Interim Consent Order.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

Thomas F. X. Bender, Jr.

By: _____

Thomas F.X. Bender, R.P.
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
Board of Pharmacy.

Vincent Cozzarelli
Vincent A. Cozzarelli, R.P.
Respondent

Dated: 8/13/14

Witness:

David Menendez
David Menendez
Print Name

Dated: 8/13/14

Witness:

Daniel Pizzani
Daniel Pizzani
Print Name

Dated: 8-13-2014