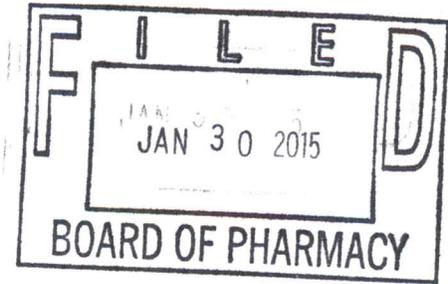


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

Michael Girgis, R.Ph.
License No.: 28RI03341600

**INTERIM CONSENT ORDER
OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF LICENSE**

TO PRACTICE PHARMACY IN THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Pharmacy ("the Board") upon the receipt of information that Michael Girgis, R.Ph. ("Respondent") was arrested on December 13, 2014 and charged with possession of CDS, distribution/possession of a prescription drug/stramodium prep, possession of CDS on school property and possession of prescription drugs after police officers observed a large quantity of loose Vicodin pills and approximately \$6000 in cash in Respondent's car during a traffic stop.

The allegations, if proven, would demonstrate that Respondent has engaged in professional misconduct, in the use of employment of dishonesty, fraud, deception, misrepresentation, false promise or false pretense and engaged in acts constituting crimes of moral turpitude and crimes

which relate adversely to the practice of pharmacy in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b)(e) and (f).

It appearing that respondent wishes to voluntarily enter into an interim agreement without making admissions and without prejudice to respondent's ability to defend the allegations against him; and the Board finding the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and other good cause having been shown;

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 29th **day of** JANUARY, **2015,**

ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent is hereby granted leave and shall immediately surrender his license to practice pharmacy in the State of New Jersey pending resolution of the criminal charges and until further Order of the Board.
2. Respondent shall immediately surrender his original wall certificate and wallet certificate and all renewal cards of his license to Anthony Rubinaccio, Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy, P.O. Box 45013, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey 07101.
3. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from engaging in the practice of pharmacy, including the following: respondent shall not handle, order, inventory, compound, count, fill, refill or dispense any drug; shall not handle anything requiring a prescription including devices and medications; shall not handle prescriptions; shall not advise or consult with any patient, and is prohibited from being present within the prescription filling area of any pharmacy.
4. Prior to any application for restoration of his license, Respondent shall appear before the Board or a committee thereof to discuss his readiness to reenter the practice of pharmacy. At that time Respondent shall be prepared to propose his plans for future practice in New Jersey and demonstrate he is fit and competent to practice and has been rehabilitated to the Board's satisfaction.

5. The Board reserves the right to place restrictions and/or limitations upon Respondent's license to practice as a Pharmacist in the State of New Jersey in the event that his license is reinstated.

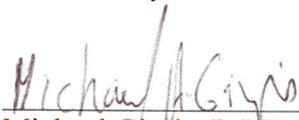
6. Nothing herein shall preclude the Board from initiating disciplinary action based upon the conduct relating to Respondent as alleged above. The entry of the within Order is without prejudice to the further investigation and/or prosecution of any violations by respondent of any statutes or regulations 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. This is an interim order that does not preclude the Board from taking disciplinary action on the alleged conduct detailed herein.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

By:

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Michael Girgis, R.PH

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