

ORDER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

(Docket No. D-021112-029)

In The Matter Of:

STEVEN MARTIN SALO, R.Ph.

7240 Regal Drive
Conneaut, Ohio 44030
(R.Ph. No. 03-3-14337)

INTRODUCTION

THE MATTER OF STEVEN MARTIN SALO CAME FOR HEARING ON APRIL 8, 2003, BEFORE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD: DIANE C. ADELMAN, R.Ph. (presiding); GREGORY BRAYLOCK, R.Ph.; SUZANNE R. EASTMAN, R.Ph.; ROBERT P. GIACALONE, R.Ph.; ELIZABETH I. GREGG, R.Ph.; LAWRENCE J. KOST, R.Ph.; NATHAN S. LIPSYC, R.Ph.; DOROTHY S. TEATER, PUBLIC MEMBER; AND JAMES E. TURNER, R.Ph.

STEVEN MARTIN SALO WAS NOT REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL AND THE STATE OF OHIO WAS REPRESENTED BY SALLY ANN STEUK, ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL.

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

State's Witnesses

None

Respondent's Witnesses

1. Theresa Salo, R.N.
2. David Cunningham
3. Emil Dontenville
4. Steven Martin Salo, R.Ph., Respondent

State's Exhibits

1. Reinstatement Hearing Request letter from Steven M. Salo [11-01-02]
1A-1B. Procedurals
2. Copy of State Board of Pharmacy Order in re Steven Martin Salo [03-09-01]
3. Copy of Notarized Statement of Howard Weisman [09-11-00]; Copy of Statement of Howard Weisman [09-11-00]; Copy of Letter of Resignation of Steven M. Salo [09-11-00]; Copy of Notarized Statement of Howard Weisman [09-19-00]; Copy of Inventory List [not dated]
4. Copy of Notarized Statement of Cheryle Chiaramonte [09-19-00]
5. Copy of Notarized Statement of Theresa M. Salo [09-19-00]
6. Copy of Notarized Statement of Steven M. Salo [09-11-00]
7. Summary Audit Report for Ashtabula County Medical Center [09-19-00]
8. Four photographs of drugs and alcohol

9. Information, State of Ohio vs. Steven Martin Salo, Case No. 2001-CR-29, Ashtabula County Common Pleas Court [01-26-01]
10. Judgment (Guilty Pleas) [03-06-01]
11. Judgment (Sentencing) [04-12-01]

Respondent's Exhibits

- A1. PRO Pharmacist's Recovery Contract for Steven M. Salo [03-19-01]; Support Group Attendance Records [10-30-00 to 04-06-03]
- A2. Quest Diagnostics Chain of Custody Document/Request Forms for Donor Steven M. Salo [12-29-00 to 03-27-03]
- A3. Urine Drug Screen Reports [12-29-00 to 12-18-01]; Compass Vision, Inc. Licensee Summary Report [01-24-02 to 02-10-03]; Compass Vision Test Panel 933 [Faxed 12/10/02]; E-mail from QBCM [04-04-03]
- A4. Fourteen Letters of Support [03-16-03 to 04-08-03]
- A5. Judgment Entry, State of Ohio vs Steven Martin Salo, Case No. 2001-CR-029, Ashtabula County Common Pleas Court [07-31-02]; Letter from Michael T. Jones, Parole Officer [08-08-02]; Copy of three checks from Steven M. Salo: No. 3025 to Ashtabula Co. Med. Center [12-06-00], No. 3083 to Ohio State Board of Pharmacy [03-09-01], and No. 3082 to Ashtabula Co. Law Enf. Trust Fund [03-09-01]
- A6. Copy of two Lake Area Recovery Center Discharge Summaries [05-01-01 and 12-21-01]; Copy of Lake Area Recovery Center Certificate of Completion [05-01-01]
- A7. Continuing Pharmaceutical Education Certificates [04-29-01 to 03-11-03]
- A8. Copy of two Certificates of Sobriety [11-09-01 and 11-09-02]; Copy of four Certificates of Appreciation [02-19-02 to 01-26-03]; Copy of Kent State University Grades [Fall 2001; Spring 2002; Summer 2002; Fall 2002]; Part-Time Dean's List Certificate, Spring 2002 Semester

FINDING OF FACT

After having heard the testimony, observed the demeanor of the witnesses, considered the evidence, and weighed the credibility of each, the State Board of Pharmacy finds that Steven Martin Salo has complied with the terms set forth in the Order of the State Board of Pharmacy, Docket No. D-001003-013, effective March 9, 2001.

DECISION OF THE BOARD

On the basis of the Finding of Fact set forth above, and after consideration of the record as a whole, the State Board of Pharmacy hereby approves the reinstatement of the pharmacist identification card, No. 03-3-14337, held by Steven Martin Salo to practice pharmacy in Ohio and places Steven Martin Salo on probation for five years beginning on the effective date of this Order, with the following conditions:

- (A) Steven Martin Salo must enter into a contract, signed within thirty days after the effective date of this Order, with an Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services (ODADAS) treatment provider or a treatment provider acceptable to the Board for a period of not less than five years and submit a copy of the signed contract to the Board office before his pharmacist identification card is issued. The contract must provide that:

(1) Random, **observed** urine drug screens shall be conducted at least once each month for the first year and then at least once every three months for the remaining four years.

(a) The urine sample must be given within twelve hours of notification. The urine drug screen must include testing for creatinine or specific gravity of the sample as the dilutional standard.

(b) Opiates, propoxyphene, and alcohol must be added to the standard urine drug screen. A Breathalyzer may be used to test for alcohol, but an appropriately certified individual must conduct the test within twelve hours of notification.

(c) Results of all drug and alcohol screens must be negative. Any positive results, including those that may have resulted from ingestion of food, but excluding false positives that resulted from medication legitimately prescribed, indicate a violation of probation.

(d) Refusals of urine screens or diluted urine screens are equivalent to a positive result and indicate a violation of probation.

(2) The intervener/sponsor shall provide copies of all drug and alcohol screen reports to the Board in a timely fashion.

(3) Attendance is required a minimum of three times per week at an Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, and/or similar support group meeting.

(4) The program shall immediately report to the Board any violations of the contract and/or lack of cooperation.

(B) Steven Martin Salo must submit quarterly progress reports to the Board (due January 10, April 10, July 10, and October 10 of each year of probation) that include:

(1) The written report and documentation provided by the treatment program pursuant to the contract, and

(2) A written description of Steven Martin Salo's progress towards recovery and what Steven Martin Salo has been doing during the previous three months.

(C) Other terms of probation are as follows:

(1) The State Board of Pharmacy hereby declares that Steven Martin Salo's pharmacist identification card is not in good standing and thereby denies the privilege of being a preceptor and training pharmacy interns pursuant to paragraph (D)(1) of Rule 4729-3-01 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

(2) Steven Martin Salo may not serve as a responsible pharmacist.

(3) Steven Martin Salo may not destroy, assist in, or witness the destruction of controlled substances.

(4) Steven Martin Salo must, during the first six months of practice, work only with a pharmacist whose license is in good standing.

(5) Steven Martin Salo must notify all future employers of his past problems.

(6) Steven Martin Salo must abide by the contract with his treatment provider and must immediately report any violation of the contract to the Board.

(7) Steven Martin Salo must not violate the drug laws of Ohio, any other state, or the federal government.

(8) Steven Martin Salo must abide by the rules of the State Board of Pharmacy.

(9) Steven Martin Salo must comply with the terms of this Order.

(D) Any violation of probation may result in a Board hearing to consider alternative or additional sanctions under Section 4729.16 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Steven Martin Salo is hereby advised that the Board may at any time revoke probation for cause, modify the conditions of probation, and reduce or extend the period of probation. At any time during this period of probation, the Board may revoke probation for a violation occurring during the probation period.

THIS ORDER WAS APPROVED BY A VOTE OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY (Aye-8/Nay-0).

MOTION CARRIED.

SO ORDERED.

ORDER EFFECTIVE MAY 15, 2003

ORDER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY
(Docket No. D-001003-013)

In The Matter Of:

STEVEN MARTIN SALO, R.Ph.
7240 Regal Drive
Conneaut, Ohio 44030
(R.Ph. No. 03-3-14337)

INTRODUCTION

THE MATTER OF STEVEN MARTIN SALO CAME FOR HEARING ON FEBRUARY 6, 2001, BEFORE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD: DIANE C. ADELMAN, R.Ph. (presiding); ANN D. ABELE, R.Ph.; SUZANNE R. EASTMAN, R.Ph.; ROBERT P. GIACALONE, R.Ph.; LAWRENCE J. KOST, R.Ph.; AMONTE B. LITTLEJOHN, R.Ph.; DOROTHY S. TEATER, PUBLIC MEMBER; JAMES E. TURNER, R.Ph.

STEVEN MARTIN SALO WAS REPRESENTED BY RICHARD KOBLENTZ, AND THE STATE OF OHIO WAS REPRESENTED BY SALLY ANN STEUK, ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL.

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

(A) Testimony

State's Witnesses:

- (1) Joann D. Predina, R.Ph., Ohio State Board of Pharmacy

Respondent's Witnesses:

- (1) David C. Cunningham, R.N., Pharmacists Rehabilitation Organization, Inc.
- (2) David T. Villa, Certified Addiction Counselor
- (3) Steven Martin Salo, R.Ph., Respondent

(B) Exhibits

State's Exhibits:

- (1) Exhibit 1--Copy of three-page Summary Suspension Order/Notice of Opportunity for Hearing letter dated October 3, 2000.
- (2) Exhibit 1A--Hearing Request letter dated October 10, 2000.
- (3) Exhibit 1B--Copy of Hearing Schedule letter dated October 17, 2000.
- (4) Exhibit 1C--Change in Representation letter from Richard S. Koblentz dated October 26, 2000.
- (5) Exhibit 1D--Copy of Pharmacist File computer record for Steven Martin Salo showing original date of registration as July 31, 198.

- (6) Exhibit 2--Two-page hand-written Statement of Howard Weisman signed and notarized on September 18, 2000; hand-written Statement of Howard Weisman dated September 11, 2000; Statement of Howard Weisman signed and notarized on September 19, 2000; and Written Resignation of Steven Salo dated September 11, 2000.
- (7) Exhibit 3-- Statement of Cheryle Chiaramonte signed and notarized on September 19, 2000, with attached hand-written Inventory List.
- (8) Exhibit 4--Baggie containing 47 tablets of Acetaminophen #3; baggie containing 48 tablets of Acetaminophen #3 and 25 tablets of Propoxyphene N 100; baggie containing 3.5 tablets of Furosemide 40mg; and baggie containing empty (punched out) blister-pack of 20 tablets of Propoxyphene N 100 U/D.
- (9) Exhibit 5--Four Statements of Theresa Salo signed and notarized on September 19, 2000.
- (10) Exhibit 6--Four-page Statement of Steven M. Salo signed and notarized on September 11, 2000.
- (11) Exhibit 7--Ohio State Board of Pharmacy Summary Audit Report of Ashtabula County Medical Center dated September 19, 2000.
- (12) Exhibit 8--Four photographs of the inside and outside of an automobile; three photographs of drugs; and one photograph of a bedroom dresser.

Respondent's Exhibits:

- (1) Eleven-page Hearing Memorandum from Richard S. Koblenz, Attorney for Steven M. Salo, not dated.
- (2) Exhibit A--Eight-page Statement of Steven M. Salo dated January 4, 2001.
- (3) Exhibit B--Glenbeigh Health Sources, Discharge Summary of Steven Salo dated October 20, 2000.
- (4) Exhibit C--Letter from Sally Charney dated December 28, 2000.
- (5) Exhibit D--Four drug screen reports of Steven Salo for samples collected December 27, 2000; January 3, 2001; January 8, 2001; and January 17, 2001.
- (6) Exhibit E--Copy of six pages of Attendance record for support group meetings dated October 30, 2000 through January 24, 2001.
- (7) Exhibit E1--Copy of Attendance record dated January 22, 2001, through February 1, 2001.
- (8) Exhibit F--Two-page copy of PRO Inc. Pharmacist's Recovery Contract of Steven Salo dated December 14, 2000.
- (9) Exhibit G--Copy of two-page letter from Barry H. Shick dated November 17, 2000.
- (10) Exhibit H--Copy of letter from Beth A. Diemer dated November 29, 2000.
- (11) Exhibit I--Copy of letter from Lois Acierno dated November 17, 2000.
- (12) Exhibit J--Copy of letter from Kathy Stevens dated November 19, 2000.
- (13) Exhibit K--Copy of letter from Sharon A. Fortune dated November 14, 2000.
- (14) Exhibit L--Copy of letter from Carla R. Hague dated November 7, 2000.
- (15) Exhibit M--Copy of letter from Noreen Petrichello dated November 12, 2000.
- (16) Exhibit N--Copy of letter from Thomas R. Flick dated November 21, 2000.
- (17) Exhibit O--Copy of letter from Guy V. Jeanblanc, not dated.
- (18) Exhibit P--Copy of letter from Albert L. Wright, Jr. dated November 13, 2000.
- (19) Exhibit Q--Copy of letter from Wendy A. Nagy dated November 28, 2000.
- (20) Exhibit R--Copy of two-page letter from John A. and Carolyn S. Burkhart dated November 12, 2000.

- (21) Exhibit S--Copy of letter from Clifford L. and Peggy Davis dated November 11, 2000.
- (22) Exhibit T--Copy of letter from James Reed dated November 12, 2000.
- (23) Exhibit U--Copy of letter from Kristy Schiro dated November 27, 2000.
- (24) Exhibit V--Copy of Care Plan developed with Steve Salo by David Cunningham, Betsy Schenk, and David Villa, not dated.

FINDINGS OF FACT

After having heard the testimony, observed the demeanor of the witnesses, considered the evidence, and weighed the credibility of each, the State Board of Pharmacy finds the following to be fact:

- (1) Records of the State Board of Pharmacy indicate that Steven Martin Salo was originally licensed in the state of Ohio on July 31, 1981, pursuant to examination. On October 3, 2000, Steven Martin Salo's license to practice pharmacy was summarily suspended in accordance with Section 3719.121 of the Revised Code.
- (2) Steven Martin Salo is addicted to liquor or drugs or impaired physically or mentally to such a degree as to render him unfit to practice pharmacy to wit: Steven Martin Salo has admitted to being an alcoholic, consuming up to a fifth of Vodka per day for the past 20 years; Steven Martin Salo has admitted to entering a treatment program in 1997, but relapsing, and again entering into a treatment program; and Steven Martin Salo has admitted to stealing and abusing controlled substances from his pharmacy employer. Such conduct indicates that Steven Martin Salo falls within the ambit of Divisions (A) and (B) of Section 3179.121 and Section 4729.16(A)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code.
- (3) Steven Martin Salo did, on numerous occasions prior to June 13, 2000, with purpose to deprive, knowingly obtain or exert control over controlled substances, the property of the Ashtabula County Medical Center, beyond the express or implied consent of the owner, to wit: Steven Martin Salo has admitted to stealing Darvocet N-100, a Schedule IV controlled substance, and Acetaminophen with Codeine #3, a Schedule III controlled substance, from his employer for his personal abuse. Such conduct is in violation of Section 2913.02 of the Ohio Revised Code.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- (1) Upon consideration of the record as a whole, the State Board of Pharmacy concludes that paragraphs (2) and (3) of the Findings of Fact constitute being guilty of dishonesty and unprofessional conduct in the practice of pharmacy as provided in Division (A)(2) of Section 4729.16 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- (2) Upon consideration of the record as a whole, the State Board of Pharmacy concludes that paragraphs (2) and (3) of the Findings of Fact constitute being addicted to or abusing liquor or drugs or impaired physically or mentally to such a degree as to render him unfit to practice pharmacy as provided in Division (A)(3) of Section 4729.16 of the Ohio Revised Code.

ACTION OF THE BOARD

Pursuant to Section 3719.121 of the Ohio Revised Code, the State Board of Pharmacy hereby removes the Summary Suspension Order issued to Steven Martin Salo on October 3, 2000.

Pursuant to Section 4729.16 of the Ohio Revised Code, and on the basis of the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set forth above, the State Board of Pharmacy hereby suspends indefinitely the pharmacist identification card, No. 03-3-14337, held by Steven Martin Salo and such suspension is effective as of the date of the mailing of this Order.

- (A) Steven Martin Salo, pursuant to Rule 4729-9-01(F) of the Ohio Administrative Code, may not be employed by or work in a facility licensed by the State Board of Pharmacy to possess or distribute dangerous drugs during such period of suspension.
- (B) Steven Martin Salo, pursuant to Section 4729.16(B) of the Ohio Revised Code, must return the identification card and license (wall certificate) to the office of the State Board of Pharmacy within ten days after receipt of this Order unless the Board office is already in possession of both. The identification card and wall certificate should be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested.

Further, after two years from the effective date of this Order, the Board will consider any petition filed by Steven Martin Salo for a hearing, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119., for reinstatement. The Board will only consider reinstatement of the license to practice pharmacy in Ohio if the following conditions have been met:

- (A) Steven Martin Salo must enter into a contract, signed within sixty days after the effective date of this Order, with an Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services (ODADAS) treatment provider or a treatment provider acceptable to the Board for a period of not less than five years and, upon signing, mail a copy of the contract to the Board office. The contract must provide that:
 - (1) Random, observed urine drug screens shall be conducted at least once each month.
 - (a) The urine sample must be given within twelve hours of notification. The urine drug screen must include testing for creatinine or specific gravity of the sample as the dilutional standard.
 - (b) Opiates, propoxyphene, and alcohol must be added to the standard urine drug screen. A Breathalyzer may be used to test for alcohol, but the test must be conducted by an appropriately certified individual within twelve hours of notification.
 - (c) Results of all drug and alcohol screens must be negative. Any positive results, including those which may have resulted from ingestion of food, but excluding false positives which resulted from medication legitimately prescribed, indicates a violation of the contract.

- (2) Attendance is required a minimum of three times per week at an Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, and/or similar support group meeting.
 - (3) The program shall immediately report to the Board any violations of the contract and/or lack of cooperation.
- (B) Steven Martin Salo must provide, at the reinstatement petition hearing, documentation of the following:
- (1) Compliance with the contract required above (e.g.-proof of giving the sample within twelve hours of notification and copies of all drug and alcohol screen reports, meeting attendance records, treatment program reports, etc.);
 - (2) Compliance with the continuing pharmacy education requirements set forth in Chapter 4729-7 of the Ohio Administrative Code as applicable and in effect on the date of petitioning the Board for reinstatement;
 - (3) Compliance with the terms of this Order.
- (C) If reinstatement is not accomplished within three years of the effective date of this Order, Steven Martin Salo must show successful completion of the NAPLEX examination or an equivalent examination approved by the Board.

THIS ORDER WAS APPROVED BY A VOTE OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY (Aye-8/Nay-0).

MOTION CARRIED.

SO ORDERED.

ORDER EFFECTIVE MARCH 9, 2001

SUMMARY SUSPENSION ORDER/NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

October 3, 2000

Steven Martin Salo, R.Ph.
7240 Regal Drive
Conneaut, Ohio 44030

Re: Ohio Registered Pharmacist
Number 03-3-14337

Dear Mr. Salo:

In accordance with Section 3719.121(B) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board has determined that there is clear and convincing evidence that the continuation of your professional practice presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to others. The reasons for the Board's action are that you have committed any and/or all of the following acts:

- (1) Records of the Board of Pharmacy indicate that you were originally licensed in the State of Ohio on July 31, 1981, pursuant to examination, and are currently licensed to practice pharmacy in the State of Ohio.
- (2) You are addicted to liquor or drugs or impaired physically or mentally to such a degree as to render you unfit to practice pharmacy, to wit: you have admitted to being an alcoholic, consuming up to a fifth of Vodka per day for the past 20 years; you have admitted to entering a treatment program in 1997, but relapsing, and again entering into a treatment program; and you have admitted to stealing and abusing controlled substances from your pharmacy employer. Such conduct indicates that you fall within the ambit of Sections 3719.121(A), 3719.121(B), and 4729.16(A)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code.
- (3) You did, on numerous occasions prior to June 13, 2000, with purpose to deprive, knowingly obtain or exert control over controlled substances, the property of the Ashtabula County Medical Center, beyond the express or implied consent of the owner, to wit: you have admittedly stolen Darvocet N-100, a Schedule IV controlled substance, and Acetaminophen with Codeine #3, a Schedule III controlled substance, from your employer for your personal abuse. Such conduct is in violation of Section 2913.02 of the Ohio Revised Code.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Section 3719.121(B) of the Ohio Revised Code states, in pertinent part:

(B) If the board under which a person has been issued a license, . . . , . . . determines that there is clear and convincing evidence that continuation of the person's professional practice or method of prescribing or personally furnishing controlled substances presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to others, the board may suspend the person's license, . . . , . . . , without a prior hearing.

WHEREFORE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 3719.121(B) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOUR REGISTRATION AND LICENSE TO PRACTICE PHARMACY IN THE STATE OF OHIO IS HEREBY SUSPENDED. FURTHER, PURSUANT TO RULE 4729-9-01(F) OF THE OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, DURING THIS TERM OF SUSPENSION YOU MAY NOT BE EMPLOYED BY OR WORK IN ANY FACILITY LICENSED BY THE BOARD OF PHARMACY TO POSSESS OR DISTRIBUTE DANGEROUS DRUGS. This suspension shall remain in effect until a final adjudication order becomes effective, during which time you may not engage in the practice of pharmacy.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Section 4729.16 of the Ohio Revised Code states, in pertinent part:

(A) The State Board of Pharmacy, after notice and hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, may revoke, suspend, place on probation, or refuse to grant or renew an identification card under this chapter, or may impose a monetary penalty or forfeiture not to exceed in severity any fine designated under the Ohio Revised Code for a similar offense, or in the case of a violation of a section of the Ohio Revised Code that does not bear a penalty, a monetary penalty or forfeiture of no more than five hundred dollars, if the Board finds a pharmacist or pharmacy intern:

- (1) Guilty of a felony or gross immorality;
- (2) Guilty of dishonesty or unprofessional conduct in the practice of pharmacy;
- (3) Addicted to or abusing liquor or drugs or impaired physically or mentally to such a degree as to render the pharmacist or pharmacy intern unfit to practice pharmacy;
- (4) Has been convicted of a misdemeanor related to, or committed in, the practice of pharmacy;
- (5) Guilty of willfully violating, conspiring to violate, attempting to violate, or aiding and abetting the violation of any of the provisions of this chapter, sections 3715.52 to 3715.72 or Chapter 2925. or 3719. of the Revised Code;
- (6) Guilty of permitting anyone other than a pharmacist or pharmacy intern to practice pharmacy;
- (7) Guilty of knowingly lending the pharmacist's or pharmacy intern's name to an illegal practitioner of pharmacy or having professional connection with an illegal practitioner of pharmacy;
- (8) Guilty of dividing or agreeing to divide remuneration made in the practice of pharmacy with any other individual, including, but not limited to, any licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs or any owner, manager, or employee of a health care facility, residential care facility, or nursing home;

(9) Has violated the terms of a consult agreement entered into pursuant to section 4729.39 of the Revised Code.

IF YOU REQUEST A HEARING within 30 days of the time of the mailing of this notice, such will be afforded. You may appear at such hearing in person, by your attorney, or by such other representative as is permitted to practice before the agency, or you may present your position, arguments or contentions in writing; and, at this hearing, you may also present evidence and examine any witnesses appearing for and against you.

YOU ARE HEREBY ADVISED that if you do not request such a hearing within thirty (30) days of the mailing of this notice, the State Board of Pharmacy, upon consideration of the aforementioned allegations against you, may take action without such a hearing.

Division (B) of Section 4729.16 of the Revised Code provides in pertinent part that: "Any individual whose identification card is revoked, suspended, or refused, shall return his identification card and certificate of registration to the offices of the state board of pharmacy within ten days after receipt of notice of such action." The certificate and identification card should be forwarded by certified mail, return receipt requested.

(D-001003-013)

BY ORDER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

SUMMARY SUSPENSION EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2000

*This remains in effect until an Order is issued by the Board or a Settlement Agreement is signed.
(Order Effective March 9, 2001)*