

**BEFORE THE
BOARD OF PHARMACY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Statement of Issues Against:

CHRISTIAN WILLIAM DAPAAH, Respondent.

Pharmacist License Applicant

Agency Case No. 7939

OAH No. 2025020374

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on October 15, 2025.

It is so ORDERED on September 15, 2025.

BOARD OF PHARMACY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By

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**STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND
DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

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17 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
18 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

19 **PARTIES**

20 1. Anne Sodergren (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy
21 (Board). She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by
22 Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Adriana Z. Lazark, Deputy Attorney
23 General.

24 2. Respondent Christian William Dapaah (Respondent) is representing himself in this
25 proceeding and has chosen not to exercise his right to be represented by counsel.

26 3. On or about May 3, 2024, Respondent filed an application dated May 3, 2024, with
27 the Board to obtain a Pharmacist License. The Board denied the application on October 3, 2025.
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1 **JURISDICTION**

2 4. Statement of Issues No. 7939 was filed before the Board and is currently pending
3 against Respondent. The Statement of Issues and all other statutorily required documents were
4 properly served on Respondent on December 12, 2024.

5 5. A copy of Statement of Issues No. 7939 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated
6 herein by reference.

7 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

8 6. Respondent has carefully read and understands the charges and allegations in
9 Statement of Issues No. 7939. Respondent has also carefully read and understands the effects of
10 this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.

11 7. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a
12 hearing on the charges and allegations in the Statement of Issues; the right to be represented by
13 counsel at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him;
14 the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of
15 subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to
16 reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the
17 California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

18 8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
19 every right set forth above.

20 **CULPABILITY**

21 9. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Statement of
22 Issues No. 7939.

23 10. Respondent agrees that his Pharmacist License application is subject to denial and
24 agrees to be bound by the Board's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

25 **CONTINGENCY**

26 11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board. Respondent understands
27 and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board may communicate directly
28 with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by

Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

12. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

13. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED upon satisfaction of all statutory and regulatory requirements for issuance of Pharmacist License, a Pharmacist License shall be issued to Respondent and immediately revoked; the order of revocation is stayed, and Respondent is placed on probation for three (3) years upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Precedent to Licensure

As a condition precedent to issuance of his license, Respondent shall reimburse the board for its costs of investigation and prosecution in the amount of \$8,120.50 from prior case entitled In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Christian William Dapaah, Case Number 4880. Said amount shall be paid in full prior to the issuance of his license

1 **2. Obey All Laws**

2 Respondent shall obey all state and federal laws and regulations.

3 Respondent shall report any of the following occurrences to the Board, in writing, within
4 seventy- two (72) hours of such occurrence:

- 5 • an arrest or issuance of a criminal complaint, information, or indictment for violation
6 of any state and federal laws
- 7 • a plea of guilty, or nolo contendere, no contest, or similar, in any state or federal
8 criminal proceeding to any criminal complaint, information or indictment
- 9 • a conviction of any crime
- 10 • the filing of a disciplinary pleading, issuance of a citation, or initiation of another
11 administrative action filed by any state or federal agency which involves respondent's
12 license, or which is related to the practice of pharmacy or the manufacturing,
13 obtaining, handling, distributing, billing, or charging for any drug, device or controlled
14 substance

15 Failure to timely report such occurrence shall be considered a violation of probation.

16 **3. Report to the Board**

17 Respondent shall report to the Board quarterly, on a schedule as directed by the Board. The
18 report shall be made either in person or in writing, as directed. Among other requirements,
19 respondent shall state in each report under penalty of perjury whether there has been compliance
20 with all the terms and conditions of probation.

21 Failure to submit timely reports in a form as directed shall be considered a violation of
22 probation. Any period(s) of delinquency in submission of reports as directed may be added to the
23 total period of probation. Moreover, if the final probation report is not made as directed,
24 probation shall be automatically extended until such time as the final report is made and accepted
25 by the Board.

26 **4. Interview with the Board**

27 Upon receipt of reasonable prior notice, respondent shall participate as directed for
28 interviews with the Board, at such intervals and locations as are determined by the Board. Failure

1 to appear for any scheduled interview without prior notification to Board staff, or failure to
2 appear for two (2) or more scheduled interviews with the Board during the period of probation,
3 shall be considered a violation of probation.

4 **5. Cooperate with Board Staff**

5 Respondent shall timely cooperate with the Board's inspection program and with the
6 Board's monitoring and investigation of respondent's compliance with the terms and conditions of
7 their probation, including but not limited to: timely responses to requests for information by
8 Board staff; timely compliance with directives from Board staff regarding requirements of any
9 term or condition of probation; and timely completion of documentation pertaining to a term or
10 condition of probation. Failure to timely cooperate shall be considered a violation of probation.

11 **6. Continuing Education**

12 Respondent shall provide evidence of efforts to maintain skill and knowledge as a
13 pharmacist as directed by the Board and in compliance with Title 16 California Code of
14 Regulations section 1732.3.

15 **7. Reporting of Employment and Notice to Employers**

16 During the period of probation, respondent shall notify all present and prospective
17 employers of the decision in case number 7939 and the terms, conditions and restrictions imposed
18 on respondent by the decision, as follows:

19 Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within ten (10) days of
20 undertaking any new employment, respondent shall report to the Board in writing the name,
21 physical address, and mailing address of each of their employer(s), and the name(s), telephone
22 number(s), and email address(es) of all of their direct supervisor(s), as well as any pharmacist(s)-
23 in-charge, designated representative(s)-in-charge, responsible manager, or other compliance
24 supervisor(s) and the work schedule, if known. Respondent shall also include the reason(s) for
25 leaving the prior employment and the last day worked. Respondent shall sign and return to the
26 Board a written consent authorizing the Board to communicate with all of respondent's
27 employer(s) and supervisor(s) and authorizing those employer(s) or supervisor(s) to communicate
28 with the Board, concerning respondent's work status, performance, and monitoring. Failure to

1 comply with the requirements or deadlines of this condition shall be considered a violation of
2 probation.

3 Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen (15) days of
4 respondent undertaking any new employment, respondent shall cause (a) their direct supervisor,
5 (b) their pharmacist-in-charge, designated representative-in-charge, responsible manager, or other
6 compliance supervisor, and (c) the owner or owner representative of their employer, to report to
7 the Board in writing acknowledging that the listed individual(s) has/have read the decision in case
8 number 7939, and the terms and conditions imposed thereby. If one person serves in more than
9 one role described in (a), (b), or (c), the acknowledgment shall so state. It shall be the
10 respondent's responsibility to ensure that these acknowledgment(s) are timely submitted to the
11 Board. In the event of a change in the person(s) serving the role(s) described in (a), (b), or (c)
12 during the term of probation, respondent shall cause the person(s) taking over the role(s) to report
13 to the Board in writing within fifteen (15) days of the change acknowledging that they have read
14 the decision in case number 7939, and the terms and conditions imposed thereby.

15 If respondent works for or is employed by or through an employment service, respondent
16 must notify the person(s) described in (a), (b), and (c) above at every entity licensed by the Board
17 of the decision in case number 7939, and the terms and conditions imposed thereby in advance of
18 respondent commencing work at such licensed entity. A record of this notification must be
19 provided to the Board upon request.

20 Furthermore, within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen
21 (15) days of respondent undertaking any new employment by or through an employment service,
22 respondent shall cause the person(s) described in (a), (b), and (c) above at the employment service
23 to report to the Board in writing acknowledging that they have read the decision in case number
24 7939, and the terms and conditions imposed thereby. It shall be respondent's responsibility to
25 ensure that these acknowledgment(s) are timely submitted to the Board.

26 Failure to timely notify present or prospective employer(s) or failure to cause the identified
27 person(s) with that/those employer(s) to submit timely written acknowledgments to the Board
28 shall be considered a violation of probation.

"Employment" within the meaning of this provision includes any full-time, part-time, temporary, relief, or employment/management service position as a(n) Pharmacist License, or any position for which a Pharmacist License is a requirement or criterion for employment, whether the respondent is an employee, independent contractor or volunteer.

8. Notification of Change(s) in Name, Address(es), or Phone Number(s)

Respondent shall further notify the Board as directed within ten (10) days of any change in name, residence address, mailing address, e-mail address or phone number.

Failure to timely notify the Board of any change in employer, name, address, or phone number, within 10 days of the change, shall be considered a violation of probation.

9. Restrictions on Supervision and Oversight of Licensed Facilities

During the period of probation, respondent shall not supervise any intern pharmacist, be the pharmacist-in-charge, designated representative-in-charge, responsible manager, supervising pharmacist, quality manager, designated individual (as defined in the United States Pharmacopeia (USP), including an individual responsible and accountable for the performance and operations of the facility and personnel in the preparation of compounded sterile products), or other supervisor of any entity licensed by the Board, nor serve as a consultant of any entity licensed by the Board. Assumption of any such unauthorized supervision responsibilities shall be considered a violation of probation.

During the period of probation, respondent shall not supervise any ancillary personnel, including, but not limited to, pharmacy technicians, designated representatives, designated representative-3PL, designated individuals (as defined in USP, including as an individual responsible and accountable for the performance and operations of the facility and personnel, in the preparation of compounded products), and production operators in any entity licensed by the Board. Assumption of any such unauthorized ancillary personnel supervision responsibilities shall be considered a violation of probation.

10. Probation Monitoring Costs

Respondent shall pay any costs associated with probation monitoring as determined by the Board each and every year of probation. Such costs shall be payable to the Board on a schedule

as directed by the Board. Failure to pay such costs by the deadline(s) as directed shall be considered a violation of probation.

11. Status of License

Respondent shall, at all times while on probation, maintain an active, current Pharmacist License with the Board, including any period during which suspension or probation is tolled. Failure to maintain an active, current Pharmacist License shall be considered a violation of probation.

If respondent's Pharmacist License expires or is cancelled by operation of law or otherwise at any time during the period of probation, including any extensions thereof due to tolling or otherwise, upon renewal or reapplication respondent's license shall be subject to all terms and conditions of this probation not previously satisfied.

12. License Surrender While on Probation/Suspension

Following the effective date of this decision, should respondent cease practice due to retirement or health, or be otherwise unable to satisfy the terms and conditions of probation, respondent may relinquish their license, including any indicia of licensure issued by the Board, along with a request to surrender the license. The Board shall have the discretion whether to accept the surrender or take any other action it deems appropriate and reasonable. Upon formal acceptance of the surrender of the license, respondent will no longer be subject to the terms and conditions of probation. This surrender constitutes a record of discipline and shall become a part of the respondent's license history with the Board.

Upon acceptance of the surrender, respondent shall relinquish their pocket and/or wall license, including any indicia of licensure not previously provided to the Board within ten (10) days of notification by the Board that the surrender is accepted if not already provided. Respondent may not reapply for any license from the Board for three (3) years from the effective date of the surrender. Respondent shall meet all requirements applicable to the license sought as of the date the application for that license is submitted to the Board, including any outstanding costs.

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1 **13. Practice Requirement – Extension of Probation**

2 Except during periods of suspension, respondent shall, at all times while on probation, be
3 employed as a(n) Pharmacist License in California for a minimum of 120 hours per calendar
4 month. Any month during which this minimum is not met shall extend the period of probation by
5 one month. During any such period of insufficient employment, respondent must nonetheless
6 comply with all terms and conditions of probation, unless respondent receives a waiver in writing
7 from the Board.

8 If respondent does not practice as a(n) Pharmacist License in California for the minimum
9 number of hours in any calendar month, for any reason (including vacation), respondent shall
10 notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of the conclusion of that calendar month. This
11 notification shall include at least: the date(s), location(s), and hours of last practice; the reason(s)
12 for the interruption or reduction in practice; and the anticipated date(s) on which respondent will
13 resume practice at the required level. Respondent shall further notify the Board in writing within
14 ten (10) days following the next calendar month during which respondent practices as a(n)
15 Pharmacist License in California for the minimum of hours. Any failure to timely provide such
16 notification(s) shall be considered a violation of probation.

17 It is a violation of probation for respondent's probation to be extended pursuant to the
18 provisions of this condition for a total period, counting consecutive and non-consecutive months,
19 exceeding thirty-six (36) months. The Board may post a notice of the extended probation period
20 on its website.

21 **14. Violation of Probation**

22 If respondent has not complied with any term or condition of probation, the Board shall
23 have continuing jurisdiction over respondent, and the Board shall provide notice to respondent
24 that probation shall automatically be extended, until all terms and conditions have been satisfied
25 or the Board has taken other action as deemed appropriate to treat the failure to comply as a
26 violation of probation, to terminate probation, and to impose the penalty that was stayed. The
27 Board may post a notice of the extended probation period on its website.

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2 and an opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order that
3 was stayed. If a petition to revoke probation or an accusation is filed against respondent during
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5 the Office of the Attorney General, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction and the period of
6 probation shall be automatically extended until the petition to revoke probation or accusation is
7 heard and decided.

8 **15. Completion of Probation**

9 Upon written notice by the Board indicating successful completion of probation,
10 respondent's license will be fully restored.

11 **16. No Ownership or Management of Licensed Premises**

12 Respondent shall not own, have any legal or beneficial interest in, nor serve as a manager,
13 administrator, member, officer, director, trustee, associate, or partner of any business, firm,
14 partnership, or corporation currently or hereinafter licensed by the Board. Respondent shall sell or
15 transfer any legal or beneficial interest in any entity licensed by the Board within ninety (90) days
16 following the effective date of this decision and shall immediately thereafter provide written
17 proof thereof to the Board. Failure to timely divest any legal or beneficial interest(s) or provide
18 documentation thereof shall be considered a violation of probation.

19 **ACCEPTANCE**

20 I have carefully read the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I understand the
21 stipulation and the effect it will have on my Pharmacist License. I enter into this Stipulated
22 Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be
23 bound by the Decision and Order of the Board of Pharmacy.

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26 DATED: _____

27 CHRISTIAN WILLIAM DAPAAH
28 *Respondent*

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Exhibit A

Statement of Issues No. 7939

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18 **PARTIES**

19 1. Anne Sodergren (Complainant) brings this Statement of Issues solely in her official
20 capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy (Board), Department of Consumer
21 Affairs.

22 2. On or about May 3, 2024, the Board received an application for a Pharmacist License
23 from Christian William Dapaah (Respondent). On or about May 3, 2024, Respondent certified
24 under penalty of perjury to the truthfulness of all statements, answers, and representations in the
25 application. The Board denied the application on October 3, 2024.

26 3. On or about March 18, 2003, The Board issued Pharmacist License No. RPH 54207
27 to Respondent. Effective July 8, 2016, Respondent surrendered his license pursuant to a
28 disciplinary action filed by the Board in Accusation Case No. 4880.

JURISDICTION AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS

4. This Statement of Issues is brought before the Board under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.

5. Code section 4300 states, in pertinent part:

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(c) The board may refuse a license to any applicant guilty of unprofessional conduct. The board may, in its sole discretion, issue a probationary license to any applicant for a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct and who has met all other requirements for licensure. The board may issue the license subject to any terms or conditions not contrary to public policy, including, but not limited to, the following:

- (1) Medical or psychiatric evaluation.
- (2) Continuing medical or psychiatric treatment.
- (3) Restriction of type or circumstances of practice.
- (4) Continuing participation in a board-approved rehabilitation program.
- (5) Abstention from the use of alcohol or drugs.
- (6) Random fluid testing for alcohol or drugs.
- (7) Compliance with laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy.

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6. Code section 4301 states, in pertinent part:

The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct or whose license has been issued by mistake. Unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to, any of the following:

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(f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of relations as a licensee or otherwise, and whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not.

...

(j) The violation of any of the statutes of this state, of any other state, or of the United States regulating controlled substances and dangerous drugs.

1 (o) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the
2 violation of or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the
3 applicable federal and state laws and regulations governing pharmacy, including regulations
4 established by the board or by any other state or federal regulatory agency.

5 7. Code section 4306.5 states, in pertinent part:

6 Unprofessional conduct for a pharmacist may include any of the following:

7 ...

8 (b) Acts or omissions that involve, in whole or in part, the failure to exercise or implement
9 his or her best professional judgment or corresponding responsibility with regard to the
10 dispensing or furnishing of controlled substances, dangerous drugs, or dangerous devices,
11 or with regard to the provision of services.

12 8. Code section 4307 states in pertinent part:

13 (a) Any person who has been denied a license or whose license has been
14 revoked or is under suspension, or who has failed to renew his or her license while it
15 was under suspension, or who has been a manager, administrator, owner, member,
16 officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control
17 of any partnership, corporation, trust, firm, or association whose application for a
18 license has been denied or revoked, is under suspension or has been placed on
19 probation, and while acting as the manager, administrator, owner, member, officer,
20 director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control had
21 knowledge of or knowingly participated in any conduct for which the license was
22 denied, revoked, suspended, or placed on probation, shall be prohibited from serving
23 as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or in
24 any other position with management or control of a licensee as follows:

25 (1) Where a probationary license is issued or where an existing license is placed
26 on probation, this prohibition shall remain in effect for a period not to exceed five
27 years.

28 (2) Where the license is denied or revoked, the prohibition shall continue until
the license is issued or reinstated.

9. Code section 4060 states in pertinent part:

No person shall possess any controlled substance, except that furnished to a person
upon the prescription of a physician, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, veterinarian, or
naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.7, or furnished pursuant to a drug order
issued by a certified nurse-midwife pursuant to Section 2746.51, a nurse practitioner
pursuant to Section 2836.1, or a physician assistant pursuant to Section 35-02.1, or
naturopathic doctor pursuant to Section 3640.5, or a pharmacist pursuant to either
subparagraph (D) of paragraph (4) of, or clause (iv) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph
(5) of, subdivision (a) of Section 4052...

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1 **REGULATORY PROVISION**

2 10. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770, states:

3 (a) For the purpose of denial, suspension, or revocation of a personal or facility
4 license pursuant to Section 141 or Division 1.5 (commencing with Section 475) of the
5 Business and Professions Code, a crime, professional misconduct, or act shall be
6 considered substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of the
7 practice, profession, or occupation that may be performed under the license type
sought or held if to a substantial degree it evidences present or potential unfitness of
an applicant or licensee to perform the functions authorized by the license in a
manner consistent with the public health, safety, or welfare.

8 (b) In making the substantial relationship determination required under
subdivision (a) for a crime, the board will consider the following criteria:

9 (1) The nature and gravity of the offense;

10 (2) The number of years elapsed since the date of the offense; and

11 (3) The nature and duties of the practice, profession, or occupation that may be
12 performed under the license type sought or held.

13 (c) For purposes of subdivision (a), substantially related crimes, professional
misconduct, or acts shall include, but are not limited to, those which:

14 (1) Violate or attempt to violate, directly or indirectly, or to aid, abet or
15 conspire to violate, any provision of law of this state, or any other jurisdiction,
governing the practice of pharmacy.

16 (2) Violate or attempt to violate, directly or indirectly, or to aid, abet or
17 conspire to violate, any provision of Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 801) of
Title 21 of the United States Code regulating controlled substances or any law of this
18 state, or any other jurisdiction, relating to controlled substances or dangerous drugs.

19 (3) Violate or attempt to violate, directly or indirectly, or to aid, abet or
20 conspire to violate, any provision of law of this state, or any other jurisdiction,
relating to government provided or government supported healthcare.

21 (4) Involve dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption related to money, items,
documents, or personal information.

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23 **BACKGROUND FACTS**

24 11. In a disciplinary action entitled, *In the Matter of the Accusation Against Christian*
25 *William Dapaah*, Case No. 4880, the Board issued a Decision and Order, effective July 8, 2016,
26 in which the Board accepted the surrender of Respondent's Pharmacist License RPH 54207.
27 Pursuant to the Stipulated Surrender, Respondent agreed that all charges and allegations
28 contained in Accusation No. 4880 would be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by him

1 when the Board determined whether to grant or deny Respondent's application or petition for any
2 new license.

3 **FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL**

4 **(Acts Involving Moral Turpitude, Dishonesty, Fraud, Deceit, or Corruption)**

5 12. Respondent's application for a Pharmacist License is subject to denial for
6 unprofessional conduct pursuant to Code sections 4300, subdivision (c), and 4301, subdivision
7 (f), in that Respondent committed acts involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or
8 corruption by possessing and transporting marijuana and Lortab Hydrocodone for purposes of
9 sale. The circumstances are as follows:

10 a. On or about April 8, 2013, Respondent was stopped by the California Highway
11 Patrol and was found to be in possession of 915 grams of marijuana, approximately \$18,920.00 in
12 cash, and a container of pills later identified as Lortab Hydrocodone, an opioid, bearing the
13 patient's name E.K. Respondent was also in possession of a cellular telephone that contained text
14 messages regarding the purchase and sale of marijuana and hydrocodone. Respondent stated that
15 he had been having financial troubles and admitted that he was selling marijuana to purchase a
16 sport utility vehicle.

17 **SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL**

18 **(Failed to Exercise Best Professional Judgment or Corresponding Responsibility)**

19 13. Respondent's application for a Pharmacist License is subject to denial for
20 unprofessional conduct pursuant to Code sections 4300, subdivision (c), and 4301, as defined by
21 Code section 4306.5, subdivision (b), in that Respondent failed to exercise his best professional
22 judgment or corresponding responsibility by knowingly dispensing two prescriptions for
23 dangerous drugs and one prescription for a controlled substance that were issued without any
24 existing prescriber-patient relationship or examination. The circumstances were as follows:

25 a. On or about April 1, 2013, Respondent contacted Dr. E.T., a California resident
26 and licensed physician, and requested that Dr. E.T. authorize a prescription for Maxzide for
27 patient E.K., who was a resident of Georgia and not one of the doctor's established patients.

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1 Dr. E.T. agreed to authorize the prescription without examining the patient. Respondent wrote,
2 filled, picked up, and paid for the prescription.

3 b. On or about April 2, 2013, Respondent contacted Dr. E.T. and requested that
4 Dr. E.T. authorize a prescription for Lortab for patient J.D., who was a resident of Oklahoma and
5 was not one of the doctor's established patients. Dr. E.T. agreed to authorize the prescription
6 without examining the patient. Respondent wrote, filled, picked up, and paid for the prescription.

7 c. On or about April 8, 2013, the California Highway Patrol confiscated both
8 prescriptions referenced above in paragraphs 13(a) and (b) from Respondent's possession.

9 d. On or about April 15, 2013, Respondent re-authorized, filled, picked up, and
10 paid for a Maxzide prescription for patient E.K.

11 e. On or about April 16, 2013, Respondent re-authorized, filled, picked up, and
12 paid for a Lortab prescription for patient J.D.

13 **THIRD CAUSE FOR DENIAL**

14 **(Violation of Statutes Regulating Controlled Substances)**

15 14. Respondent's application for a Pharmacist License is subject to denial for
16 unprofessional conduct pursuant to Code sections 4300, subdivision (c), and 4301, subdivision (j)
17 in that Respondent violated statutes regulating controlled substances as set forth above in
18 paragraphs 12 and 13. The circumstances were as follows:

19 a. Respondent possessed marijuana without a prescription in violation of Code
20 section 4060 and Health and Safety Code section 11357, subdivision (c).

21 b. Respondent possessed Lortab Hydrocodone without a prescription in violation
22 of Code section 4060 and Health and Safety Code section 11357, subdivision (c).

23 **FOURTH CAUSE FOR DENIAL**

24 **(Violation of Laws Governing Pharmacy)**

25 15 Respondent's application for a Pharmacist License is subject to denial for
26 unprofessional conduct pursuant to Code sections 4300, subdivision (c), and 4301, subdivision
27 (o), in that Respondent violated the laws governing the practice of pharmacy as set forth above in
28 paragraphs 12 through 14.

OTHER MATTERS

16. Pursuant to Code section 4307, if Respondent is denied a license or discipline is imposed on a license issued to Respondent, he shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of any licensee for five years if the license is placed on probation.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:

1. Denying the application of Christian William Dapaah for a Pharmacist License;
2. Prohibiting Christian William Dapaah from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for five years if his Pharmacist License is placed on probation; and
3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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