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8 **BEFORE THE**  
9 **BOARD OF PHARMACY**

10 **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**  
11 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

12 In the Matter of the Statement of Issues  
13 Against:

Case No. 8091

OAH No. 2026020243

14 **DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER**

15 **TRISTAN ISIAAH CUITLAHUAC**  
16 **MORENO BRONSON**  
17 **15257 Kimball Street**  
18 **Hesperia, CA 92345**  
19 **Pharmacy Technician License**

[Gov. Code, § 11520]

20 Respondent.

21 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

22 1. On or about December 10, 2025, Complainant Anne Sodergren, in her official  
23 capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Consumer Affairs,  
24 (Board) filed Statement of Issues No. 8091 against Tristan Isaiah Cuitlahuac Moreno Bronson  
(Respondent) before the Board of Pharmacy.

25 2. On or about March 4, 2024, Respondent filed an application dated February 6, 2024,  
26 with the Board to obtain a Pharmacy Technician License.

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1           3.     On or about July 31, 2025, the Board issued a letter denying Respondent's application  
2 for a Pharmacy Technician License. On or about September 2, 2025, Respondent appealed the  
3 Board's denial of his application and requested a hearing.

4           4.     On or about December 22, 2025, an employee of the Department of Justice, served by  
5 Certified and First Class Mail a copy of the Statement of Issues No. 8091, Statement to  
6 Respondent, Respondent/Applicant's Notice of Designation of Counsel, Respondent/Applicant's  
7 Notice of Withdrawal of Request for Hearing, Request for Discovery, discovery statutes to  
8 Respondent's address on the application form, which was and is 15257 Kimball Street, Hesperia,  
9 CA 92345. A copy of the Statement of Issues is attached as Exhibit A and is incorporated herein  
10 by reference.

11           5.     Service of the Statement of Issues was effective as a matter of law under the  
12 provisions of Government Code section 11505, subdivision (c).

13           6.     On or about March 6, 2025, a Notice of Hearing was served by mail at Respondent's  
14 address on the application and it informed him that an administrative hearing in this matter was  
15 scheduled for March 19, 2025.

16           7.     The matter was called for hearing at the date, time and location set forth in the Notice  
17 of Hearing. The assigned Administrative Law Judge found that the service of the Notice of  
18 Hearing on Respondent was proper. There was no appearance by or on behalf of Respondent. A  
19 default was declared and on motion of counsel for Complainant, the matter was remanded to the  
20 Board under Government Code section 11520.

21           8.     Government Code section 11506(c) states, in pertinent part:

22                   (c) The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent  
23 files a notice of defense . . . and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all  
24 parts of the accusation . . . not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense  
25 . . . shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing, but the agency in its  
26 discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing.

27           9.     California Government Code section 11520(a) states, in pertinent part:

28                   (a) If the respondent either fails to file a notice of defense . . . or to appear at  
the hearing, the agency may take action based upon the respondent's express  
admissions or upon other evidence and affidavits may be used as evidence without  
any notice to respondent . . . .

10. Pursuant to its authority under Government Code section 11520, the Board finds Respondent is in default. The Board will take action without further hearing based upon the allegation set forth in the Statement of Issues and Respondent's failure to establish entitlement to issuance of a license.

## DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

1. Based on the foregoing findings of fact, Respondent Tristan Isaiah Cuitlahuac Moreno Bronson has subjected his application for a Pharmacy Technician License to denial.

2. Service of Statement of Issues No. 8091 and related documents was proper and in accordance with the law.

3. Service of the Notice of Hearing was proper and in accordance with the law.

4. The agency has jurisdiction to adjudicate this case by default.

5. The Board of Pharmacy is authorized to deny Respondent's application for licensure based upon the following violations alleged in the Statement of Issues:

a. Substantially Related Criminal Conviction in April 2025 [Business and Professions Code section 480(a)(1), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770(a)];

b. Substantially Related Criminal Conviction in November 2024 [Business and Professions Code section 480(a)(1), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770(a)]; and

c. Unprofessional Conduct [Business and Professions Code section 4300(c)].

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**ORDER**

IT IS SO ORDERED that the application of Respondent Tristan Isaiah Cuitlahuac Moreno Bronson is hereby denied. Pursuant to Code section 4307, Respondent Tristan Isaiah Cuitlahuac Moreno Bronson shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee until such time that he is issued a license from the Board of Pharmacy.

Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The agency in its discretion may vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on July 1, 2026.

It is so ORDERED on June 1, 2026.

BOARD OF PHARMACY  
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By



Seung W. Oh, Pharm.D.  
Board President

**Attachments**

Exhibit A: Statement of Issues No. 8091

Exhibit B: Office of Administrative Hearings Findings and Declaration of Default;  
Order of Remand

DOJ docket number:LA2025604088

Exhibit A

Statement of Issues No. 8091

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**STATEMENT OF ISSUES**

15 **Pharmacy Technician License Applicant**

16 Respondent.

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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 March 4, 2024, the Board received an application for a Pharmacy  
23 Technician License from Tristan Isaiah Cuitlahuac Moreno Bronson (Respondent). On or about  
24 February 6, 2024, Tristan Isaiah Cuitlahuac Moreno Bronson certified under penalty of perjury to  
25 the truthfulness of all statements, answers, and representations in the application. The Board  
26 denied the application on July 31, 2025.

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## **JURISDICTION**

3. 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.

## **STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

4. Section 480 of the Code states, in pertinent part:

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, a board may deny a license regulated by this code on the grounds that the applicant has been convicted of a crime or has been subject to formal discipline only if either of the following conditions are met:

(1) The applicant has been convicted of a crime within the preceding seven years from the date of application that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the application is made, regardless of whether the applicant was incarcerated for that crime, or the applicant has been convicted of a crime that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the application is made and for which the applicant is presently incarcerated or for which the applicant was released from incarceration within the preceding seven years from the date of application. However, the preceding seven-year limitation shall not apply in either of the following situations:

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(e) A board may deny a license regulated by this code on the ground that the applicant knowingly made a false statement of fact that is required to be revealed in the application for the license. A board shall not deny a license based solely on an applicant's failure to disclose a fact that would not have been cause for denial of the license had it been disclosed.

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5. Section 4300(c) of the Code provides:

The board may refuse a license to any applicant guilty of unprofessional conduct. . .

6. Section 4307 of the Code states:

(a) Any person who has been denied a license or whose license has been revoked or is under suspension, or who has failed to renew his or her license while it was under suspension, or who has been a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control of any partnership, corporation, trust, firm, or association whose application for a license has been denied or revoked, is under suspension or has been placed on probation, and while acting as the manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control had knowledge of or knowingly participated in any conduct for which the license was

denied, revoked, suspended, or placed on probation, shall be prohibited from serving as a manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or in any other position with management or control of a licensee as follows:

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

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

(b) "Manager, administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, partner, or any other person with management or control of a license" as used in this section and Section 4308, may refer to a pharmacist or to any other person who serves in such capacity in or for a licensee.

(c) The provisions of subdivision (a) may be alleged in any pleading filed pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code. However, no order may be issued in that case except as to a person who is named in the caption, as to whom the pleading alleges the applicability of this section, and where the person has been given notice of the proceeding as required by Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Government Code. The authority to proceed as provided by this subdivision shall be in addition to the board's authority to proceed under Section 4339 or any other provision of law.

### **REGULATORY PROVISIONS**

7. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770(a) states:

For the purpose of denial, suspension, or revocation of a personal or facility license pursuant to Section 141 or Division 1.5 (commencing with Section 475) of the Business and Professions Code, a crime, professional misconduct, or act shall be considered substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of the 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.

### **FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION**

**(April 16, 2025 Criminal Conviction –**

**Possession of Controlled Substance on January 24, 2025)**

8. Respondent's application is subject to denial under Code section 480(a)(1), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770(a), in that on or about April 16, 2025, in a criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California vs. Tristan Isaiah C. Moreno Bronson*, in Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, Case No. FSB25000341, Respondent pled no contest and was convicted of violating Health and Safety

Code section 11357(b)(2) (possession of controlled substance), a misdemeanor. Respondent was sentenced to serve 120 days in jail (concurrent with Case No. MVI24000971), placed on probation for one year with terms and conditions, and ordered to pay fines and fees.

The circumstances surrounding the conviction are that on or about January 24, 2025, a San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department deputy conducted a search of Respondent's vehicle in the parking lot of a rehabilitation center. The deputy recovered approximately one pound of a green leafy-like substance resembling marijuana from Respondent's vehicle. Respondent admitted the marijuana was for personal use. A records check revealed Respondent had an active felony warrant for his arrest.

## **SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION**

### **(November 6, 2024 Criminal Conviction – DUI on August 20, 2023)**

9. Respondent's application is subject to denial under Code section 480(a)(1), in conjunction with California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1770(a), in that on or about November 6, 2024, in a criminal proceeding entitled *The People of the State of California vs. Tristan Isaiah C. Moreno Bronson*, in Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, Case No. MVI24000971, Respondent pled no contest and was convicted of violating Vehicle Code section 23152(b) (driving under the influence alcohol/0.08% or more), a misdemeanor. Respondent was sentenced to serve 10 days in jail, placed on probation for 36 months with terms and conditions, ordered to complete the alcohol education program, and pay fines and fees. On or about April 16, 2025, Respondent admitted to the court he violated probation. Respondent was sentenced to serve 120 days in jail.

The circumstances surrounding the conviction are that on or about August 20, 2023 at approximately 8:56 p.m., a San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department deputy was dispatched to a traffic collision involving Respondent. Upon speaking to Respondent, the officer noticed a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from Respondent's breath and person, bloodshot and watery eyes. Respondent admitted to consuming alcoholic beverages prior to driving. At approximately 4:16 a.m., Respondent submitted to a blood test that revealed a blood alcohol concentration of 0.191% and cannabinoids.

1 **THIRD CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION**

2 **(Unprofessional Conduct)**

3 10. Respondent's application is subject to denial under Code section 4300(c), in that  
4 Respondent committed unprofessional conduct, as follows:

5 a. Complainant refers to and by this reference incorporates the allegations set forth  
6 above in paragraph 7, as though set forth fully.

7 b. Complainant refers to and by this reference incorporates the allegations set forth  
8 above in paragraph 8, as though set forth fully.

9 **PRAYER**

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

12 1. Denying the application of Tristan Isaiah Cuitlahuac Moreno Bronson for a Pharmacy  
13 Technician License;

14 2. Prohibiting Tristan Isaiah Cuitlahuac Moreno Bronson from serving as a manager,  
15 administrator, owner, member, officer, director, associate, or partner of a licensee for five years if  
16 the Pharmacy Technician License is placed on probation; and

17 3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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19 DATED: 12/10/2025

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