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EXAMINATION SECURITY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The California State Board of Pharmacy is committed to maintaining the security and the confidentiality of all examination materials during every phase of development and administration. The board strictly enforces examination security and will prosecute any individual who has been determined to be in violation of statutes pertaining to examination security.

There are a number of laws and regulations that provide for the security of the state's occupational exams and exam processes, such as the board's licensure exams. These include Business and Professions Code sections 123, 496 and 584, as well as Civil Code section 980 and California Code of Regulation section 1723.1.

For example, it is a misdemeanor for anyone to compromise or attempt to compromise a licensing examination. Persons convicted of this crime are personally liable for up to \$10,000 in damages and the costs of litigation, in addition to other penalties. The board may also deny or revoke a license on grounds that the applicant has compromised or attempted to compromise a licensing examination.

Examples of compromising a licensing examination include removing examination materials from a test site without authorization; aiding by any means the reproduction of any portion of the actual examination; paying or using professional or paid examination takers to reconstruct any portion of the examination; and selling, distributing, buying, receiving or having unauthorized possession of any portion of a future, current or previously administered licensing examination. For example, an individual who memorizes a test item with or without intent to provide this information to the provider of a review course is compromising the exam.

California law provides that no person shall violate the security of a licensing examination. Examples include impersonating someone, attempting to impersonate someone, or soliciting the impersonation of someone. Using notes and looking at another candidate's examination materials are two examples of dishonest conduct. Any form of dishonest conduct or cheating, including using prohibited aids, giving or receiving assistance, or communicating with others, may result in the voiding of your examination results and/or dismissal from the examination site.

Failure to follow the instructions of the testing center administrators, whether or not dishonest conduct or cheating is involved, may also result in the disqualification of your examination results and/or dismissal from the examination site.

The test site administrators reserve the right to videotape any examination session.

By signing this acknowledgement, you are affirming that you fully understand the foregoing. A violation of these laws may result in your disqualification as a candidate and could result in an administrative action and/or denial of a pharmacist or intern pharmacist license by the board, plus other penalties.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the above statement.

Name of Candidate Printed

Original Signature of Candidate

Date