

BEFORE THE INDIANA
BOARD OF PHARMACY
CAUSE NUMBER: 2013 IBP 0002

IN THE MATTER OF THE INDIANA)
PHARMACY TECHNICIAN)
CERTIFICATION AND PHARMACIST)
INTERN REGISTRATION OF:)
SETH PATRICK HOUIN, C.P.H.T.,)
CERTIFICATION NUMBER: 67010733A.)
REGISTRATION NUMBER: 45015672A.)



**FINDINGS OF FACT, ULTIMATE FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF
LAW AND ORDER**

The Indiana Board of Pharmacy ("Board") held an administrative hearing on March 11, 2013, in Room W064 of the Indiana State Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204, concerning an Administrative Complaint ("Complaint") filed against Seth Patrick Houin ("Respondent") on January 14, 2013.

The State of Indiana ("Petitioner") was represented by Darren R. Covington, Deputy Attorney General. Respondent did not appear in person or by counsel.

The Board, after considering the evidence presented and taking official notice of its file in this matter, by a vote of 5-0-0, finds Respondent to be in default. The Board, by another vote of 5-0-0, issues the following Findings of Fact, Ultimate Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent's address on file with the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency is 610 South Street, #5, Lafayette, Indiana 47901.

2. Respondent is a certified pharmacy technician in the State of Indiana having been issued certification number 67010733A on January 24, 2007. Respondent's pharmacy technician certification expired on June 30, 2012. Respondent was also issued pharmacy intern registration number 45015672A on September 19, 2008. Respondent's pharmacy intern registration expired May 1, 2012.

3. On or around June 4, 2012, Respondent phoned in a prescription for himself for 120 tablets of Norco 10/325. Respondent then went to Webb's Family Pharmacy, signed for the prescription, and took possession of it. It was later discovered that the prescription was not authorized by Respondent's physician.

4. On or around July 5, 2012, Respondent was charged in Fulton County, Indiana Superior Court with one count of Possession of a Controlled Substance by Deception and Misrepresentation, under Cause Number 25D01-1207-FD-000373.

5. A warrant is still pending for Respondent's arrest.

6. A Complaint was filed by the Petitioner against Respondent on January 14, 2013.

7. On January 23, 2013, the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency sent a hearing notice to Respondent at his last address of record informing him of the date, time, and place of the administrative hearing on the Complaint scheduled for February 11, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

8. Pursuant to Ind. Code § 4-21.5-3-20, Respondent was provided adequate notice of the hearing and Respondent failed to appear for the scheduled hearing in person or by counsel on February 11, 2013.

9. On February 11, 2013, the Board voted 6-0-0 to issue a Notice of Proposed Default Order. On February 22, 2013, the Notice of Proposed Default Order was mailed to Respondent's address of record.

10. Respondent failed to submit a written response within seven (7) days as permitted by Ind. Code § 4-21.5-3-24.

11. On March 11, 2013, the Board voted 5-0-0 to hold Respondent in default.

ULTIMATE FINDINGS OF FACT

Respondent violated Ind. Code § 25-1-9-4(a)(8)(A) in that Respondent has diverted a legend drug as evidenced by Respondent's use of a forged prescription to obtain Norco.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's violations are cause for disciplinary sanctions which may be imposed singly or in combination such as censure, a letter of reprimand, probation, suspension, or revocation and a fine up to the amount of \$1,000 per violation as detailed in Ind. Code § 25-1-9-9.

ORDER

Based upon the above Findings of Fact, Ultimate Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law, the Board issues the following Order:

1. Respondent's certification and registration are **REVOKED**.
2. Within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order, pursuant to Ind. Code § 4-6-14-10(b), Respondent shall pay a fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00) to be deposited into the Health Records and Personal Identifying Information Protection Trust Fund. This fee

shall be paid by check or money order payable to the State of Indiana, and submitted to the following address:

Indiana Office of the Attorney General
ATTN: Katherine Lee
302 W. Washington St., 5th Floor
Indianapolis, IN 46204

ORDERED, this 22 day of March, 2013.

INDIANA BOARD OF PHARMACY

By: _____



Virgil R. Madden
Executive Director
Indiana Professional Licensing Agency

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the "Findings of Fact, Ultimate Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order" has been duly served upon:

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