BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

In Re:

TIMOTHY JAMES BRUFLAT

ORDER REGARDING LICENSURE

THIS MATTER was heard on February 17, 2015, by the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy ("Board") located at 6015 Farrington Road, Suite 201, Chapel Hill, North Carolina (but convening by teleconference) upon the request of Timothy James Bruflat ("Petitioner") for the Board to act upon an application for a license to practice pharmacy in the state of North Carolina. Board members McLaughlin, Minton, Chesson, Mixon and Day conducted this hearing. After hearing the testimony of witnesses, adjudging the credibility of the witnesses, and receiving evidence, the Board makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner is a graduate of the University of North Carolina Eshelman School of Pharmacy ("UNC ESOP").

2. In December 2014, Petitioner submitted an Application for Examination and Registered Pharmacist Certificate to the Board.

3. On the application, Petitioner answered "yes" to the question: "Have you ever been addicted to drugs or alcohol or received treatment for drug or alcohol abuse?"

4. Petitioner disclosed that he been terminated from an intern position at WakeMed Health and Hospitals after he was found to be under the influence of a controlled substance while at work.
5. After that termination, Petitioner met with appropriate parties at UNC ESOP, who determined that he would be allowed to complete the Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum is he complied with certain conditions, which included drug screening, counseling, and therapy.

6. Petitioner complied with the conditions placed on him by UNC ESOP and successfully completed the Doctor of Pharmacy degree.

7. After receiving Petitioner’s application for licensure, Board staff provided records of his testing and treatment while a student at UNC ESOP to the North Carolina Pharmacist Recovery Network (“NCPRN”). NCPRN reviewed those records and subsequently met with Petitioner to discuss their content and his treatment and monitoring program.

8. NCPRN advises that, after reviewing the records and assessing Petitioner, it recommended that he enter into a one-year monitoring agreement. Petitioner did so. NCPRN advises that, from a clinical standpoint, Petitioner is safe to practice pharmacy if he successfully completes the licensure examination process.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Petitioner has demonstrated that he has been in a period of successful recovery.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Petitioner is eligible to proceed through the licensure application process.

2. If Petitioner successfully completes the licensure application process, including achieving satisfactory scores on all required examinations, and is licensed as a pharmacist in North Carolina, Petitioner’s license shall be subject to the following conditions:
a. Petitioner shall successfully complete his NCPRN contract.

b. Petitioner shall not serve as a pharmacist-manager of a pharmacy for a period of one year from the date of this Order.

c. Petitioner may not practice pharmacy more than a number of hours per week deemed clinically appropriate by NCPRN.

3. If Petitioner fails to comply with any terms or conditions of this Order, he may be subject to further discipline.

This is the 17th day of February, 2015.

NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

By: Jack W. Campbell IV
    Executive Director
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on February 14, 2015, I caused a copy of this Order Regarding Licensure to be served on Petitioner by registered mail, return-receipt requested:

cc: Bruflat File
Valanda Nelson, North Carolina Pharmacist Recovery Network

Jack W. Campbell IV
Executive Director