BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

In The Matter Of:

Reciprocity Application of JENNIFER NICOLE HERRELL ORDER REGARDING RECIPROCITY

THIS MATTER came before the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy ("Board") concerning the application of Jennifer Nicole Herrell ("Petitioner") to reciprocate an Alabama license to practice pharmacy. This matter was heard on October 15, 2013 by the Board located at 6015 Farrington Rd., Suite 201, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Board members Minton, Marks, McLaughlin, Chesson, Day, and Mixon conducted the hearing. Having heard the evidence presented and assessed the credibility of the testifying witnesses, the Board makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner presently holds a license to practice pharmacy in Alabama, which she obtained by examination.

2. Petitioner presently holds a license to practice pharmacy in Tennessee, which she obtained by score transfer.

3. When applying to reciprocate her Alabama license to practice pharmacy, Petitioner disclosed, fully and candidly, that both her Alabama and Tennessee licenses are presently on probationary status.

4. In 2008, Petitioner developed a substance abuse problem, which was discovered by her then employer.
5. Petitioner voluntarily surrendered her Alabama and Tennessee licenses to practice pharmacy.

6. Petitioner voluntarily entered a substance abuse treatment and monitoring program with the Alabama Board of Pharmacy’s CORIP program.

7. Petitioner’s Alabama and Tennessee licenses to practice pharmacy were reinstated with conditions pursuant to consent order in May and April, 2009, respectively. Among other things, the consent order requires that Petitioner successfully complete her CORIP treatment and monitoring plan, which runs through May 2014, that she not precept pharmacy students, and that she practice pharmacy no more than 40 hours per week.

8. During the reciprocity application process, Petitioner contacted the North Carolina Pharmacist Recovery Network (“NCPRN”). NCPRN reviewed Petitioner’s treatment and monitoring programming. NCPRN concludes that Petitioner’s course of treatment and monitoring has been clinically appropriate, and that Petitioner may practice pharmacy with reasonable safety and skill.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

All parties are properly before the Board, and the Board has jurisdiction over Petitioner and the subject matter of this proceeding.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that:

1. Petitioner may continue the process for reciprocating her Alabama license to practice pharmacy to North Carolina. Nothing in this order excuses Petitioner from any requirement for successful reciprocity of her Alabama license, including paying all fees, successfully completing all examinations, and making a personal appearance for licensure as required by North Carolina law.
2. If Petitioner successfully completes the reciprocity process, her North Carolina license shall be subject to the following conditions:

   a. Petitioner shall successfully complete the terms of her Alabama and Tennessee consent orders including, specifically, completion of her CORIP treatment and monitoring program in May 2014.

   b. Upon completion of her CORIP treatment and monitoring program, Petitioner shall enter into an 18-month treatment and monitoring agreement with NCPRN and shall comply with all requirements of that agreement.

   c. Petitioner shall violate no laws governing the practice of pharmacy or the distribution of drugs.

   d. Petitioner shall violate no rules or regulations of the Board.

   e. If Petitioner fails to comply with any term or condition of this Order, Petitioner may be subject to additional disciplinary action by the Board.

This the 15th day of October, 2013.
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on October 16, 2013, I caused a copy of this Order Regarding Reciprocity to be served on Petitioner by certified mail, return receipt requested at the following address:

[Redacted]

Jack W. Campbell IV
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cc: Herrell file

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