BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

In Re: MICHELE BERRONG (n:chnician Registration No. 20146)

ORDER APPROVING ELIGIBILITY FOR REINSTATEMENT OF REGISTRATION WITH CONDITIONS

THIS MATTER was heard on March 17, 2009, by the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy (the "Board") located at 6015 Farrington Road, Suite 201, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, upon the request of Michele Berrong (the "Petitioner") for reinstatement of her registration as a technician in the State of North Carolina. Board President Haywood and Board members Chesson, Dennis, and McLaughlin. After hearing the testimony of witnesses, adjudging the credibility of the witnesses and receiving evidence, the Board makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. At all relevant times, Petitioner was registered as a technician and was the holder of registration number 20146.

2. On December 3, 2008, Petitioner entered a guilty plea to a felony charge of larceny for embezzling $82,825.85 from a volunteer fire department where she worked. Petitioner’s guilty plea did not relate to a charge involving the use or distribution of drugs.

3. On December 15, 2008, Petitioner voluntarily reported the guilty plea to the Board and, on December 17, 2008, Petition voluntarily surrendered her technician registration.

4. Board investigators investigated Petitioner’s activities in the practice of pharmacy and did not find evidence that Petitioner had violated any provisions of the Pharmacy Practice Act or its regulations.
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Petitioner has demonstrated good cause for approval of reinstatement of her technician registration, subject to the conditions set forth in this Order. Because a technician cannot register without active employment as a technician and Petitioner does not have a current offer of employment, Petitioner’s registration is not restored at this time; however, Petitioner is declared to be eligible to register at such time as she submits an application that conforms to the Pharmacy Practice Act and its regulations, if she qualifies for registration at the time of application.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Petitioner is eligible to register as a technician at such time as she submits an application that conforms to the Pharmacy Practice Act and its regulations, if she qualifies for registration at the time of that application.

This the 17th day of March, 2009.

NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

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

I certify that on March 18, 2009, I caused a copy of this Order Approving Reinstatement of Registration with Conditions to be served on Petitioner by registered mail, return receipt requested.

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Jack W. Campbell IV
Executive Director