

BEFORE THE IOWA BOARD OF PHARMACY

Re:)	
Pharmacy Technician Registration of)	Case No. 2008-59
CHRISTINE M. SYWASSINK)	
Registration No. 8136,)	STATEMENT OF CHARGES
Respondent.)	

COMES NOW, the Complainant, Lloyd K. Jessen, and states:

1. He is the Executive Director for the Iowa Board of Pharmacy and files this Statement of Charges solely in his official capacity.
2. The Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Iowa Code Chapters 155A and 272C (2007).
3. On March 14, 2003, the Board issued Christine Sywassink (hereinafter, "Respondent") a pharmacy technician registration number 8136, authorizing her to serve as a pharmacy technician subject to the laws of the State of Iowa and the rules of the Board. Respondent's registration expired on December 31, 2004.
4. Respondent's address of record is 1621 Mulberry Avenue, Muscatine, Iowa 52761.

A. CHARGES

COUNT I – CONVICTION OF A FELONY

Respondent is charged with conviction of a felony related to the profession of pharmacy in violation of Iowa Code §§ 155A.6(7) and 657 Iowa Administrative Code § 36.1(4)(e), specifically, conviction of unlawful procurement of a prescription drug, a class C felony, in violation of Iowa Code §§ 124.401(1)(c)(8), 155A.23 and 155A.24 (2007).

B. CIRCUMSTANCES

Circumstances supporting the charges are set forth on Attachment A.

WHEREFORE, the Complainant prays that a hearing be held in this matter and that the Board take such action as it may deem to be appropriate under the law.


LLOYD K. JESSEN
Executive Director

On this 29th day of July 2008, the Iowa Board of Pharmacy found probable cause to file this Statement of Charges and to order a hearing in this case.


LEMAN E. OLSON, Chairperson
Iowa Board of Pharmacy
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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PHARMACY
OF THE STATE OF IOWA**

Re:)	ORDER
Pharmacy Technician Registration)	ACCEPTING
RHONDA E. SWEARINGEN)	SURRENDER OF
Registration No. 1069)	PHARMACY TECHNICIAN
)	REGISTRATION

COMES NOW, Leman E. Olson, Chairperson of the Iowa Board of Pharmacy, on the 17 day of February, 2009, and declares that:

1. On November 17, 2008, Respondent executed a voluntary surrender of her pharmacy technician registration number 1069.
2. On February 17, 2009, the Board reviewed Respondent's voluntary surrender of her pharmacy technician registration and agreed to accept it.

This surrender, pursuant to 657 Iowa Administrative Code § 36.15, shall be considered a revoked license with respect to any future request for reinstatement. Any request for reinstatement will be handled under terms established by 657 Iowa Administrative Code § 36.13.

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that Respondent's voluntary surrender of her Iowa pharmacy technician registration number 1069 is hereby accepted.



LEMAN E. OLSON, Chairperson

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF PHARMACY TECHNICIAN REGISTRATION

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IOWA BOARD OF PHARMACY

I, Rhonda E. Swearingen, a resident of Fort Madison, Iowa, of my own free will and without any mental reservation and not as a result of any inducement, promise or threat on the part of anyone, do hereby voluntarily surrender my pharmacy technician registration in the State of Iowa, number 1069, to the Iowa Board of Pharmacy, for an indefinite period of time. This surrender of registration shall become effective upon the notarized signature of the registrant, Rhonda E. Swearingen, being affixed to this voluntary surrender document.

I, Rhonda E. Swearingen, of my own free will and without any mental reservation and not as a result of any inducement, promise or threat given or made by any representative, officer, or employee of the Iowa Board of Pharmacy, or of any other state official, do hereby further acknowledge that by voluntarily signing this surrender statement that I am knowingly and willingly giving up the exercise of the following legal rights:

- (1) My right to a formal hearing before the Iowa Board of Pharmacy on the matter of my continued registration as a pharmacy technician pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 155A (2007).
- (2) My right to be represented by an attorney in preparation for and during such formal hearing before the Iowa Board of Pharmacy.
- (3) My right to submit evidence and to have witnesses called on my own behalf at such formal hearing.
- (4) My right to be represented by an attorney in this matter at this time.

I, Rhonda E. Swearingen, do hereby acknowledge that pursuant to 657 Iowa Administrative Code § 36.25, a pharmacy technician registration which has been voluntarily surrendered shall be considered a revocation of license with respect to a request for reinstatement, which will be handled under the terms established by 657 Iowa Administrative Code § 36.23, which provides as follows:

Any person ... whose pharmacy technician registration ... has been revoked or suspended must meet the following eligibility requirements:

1. Must have satisfied all the terms of the order of revocation or suspension or court proceedings as they apply to that revocation or suspension. If the order of revocation or suspension did not establish terms and conditions upon which reinstatement might occur, or if the license, registration, or permit was voluntarily surrendered, an initial application for reinstatement may not be made until one year has elapsed from the date of the board's order or the date of voluntary surrender.

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3. All proceedings for reinstatement shall be initiated by the respondent who shall file with the board an application for reinstatement

of the license, registration, or permit. Such application shall be docketed in the original case in which the license, registration, or permit was revoked, suspended, or relinquished. All proceedings upon petition for reinstatement, including all matters preliminary and ancillary thereto, shall be subject to the same rules of procedure as other cases before the board. The board and the respondent may informally settle the issue of reinstatement. The respondent may choose to have an informal reinstatement conference before the board, as provided in rule 657—9.24 (17A,124B,147,155A,272C).

4. An application for reinstatement shall allege facts which, if established, will be sufficient to enable the board to determine that the basis for the revocation or suspension no longer exists and that it will be in the public interest for the license, registration, or permit to be reinstated. The burden of proof to establish such facts shall be on the respondent.

5. An order for reinstatement shall be based upon a decision which incorporates findings of facts and conclusions of law and must be based upon the affirmative vote of a quorum of the board. This order shall be available to the public as provided in 657 Chapter 14.

I, Rhonda E. Swearingen, hereby further acknowledge that I shall not engage in any of the practices or aspects thereof of a pharmacy technician in the State of Iowa for which a registration is required.

11-17-08
Date of signature

Rhonda E. Swearingen
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State of IA

County: of LEE

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on 11-17-08
by Rhonda E. Swearingen. (Date)

Diane M. Bailey
Signature of Notary Public

