

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

In The Matter Of:

CHARLES EDWARD ZIMMERMAN)	
(License No. 7624))	ORDER REINSTATING LICENSE

THIS MATTER came on for hearing upon the request of Charles Edward Zimmerman (Petitioner) for reinstatement of his license to practice pharmacy in North Carolina. Petitioner's request was heard by the Board on January 21, 2003 at the Board office. Based upon the record in this proceeding, and the testimony and other materials of record presented at the hearing, the Board makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner was licensed to practice pharmacy by the Board and was the holder of license number 7624.
2. By Final Order dated December 20, 1993, the Board revoked Petitioner's license to practice pharmacy based upon his obtaining, consuming and dispensing legend prescription drugs and controlled substances without authorization and in violation of State and Federal statutes and regulations. Petitioner previously had surrendered his pharmacist license to the Board and ceased practicing pharmacy on April 13, 1993.
3. On April 17, 1995, Petitioner pled guilty to possession with intent to deliver a Schedule IV controlled substance in violation of G. S. §90-95(a)(1), a Class I Felony. Petitioner was sentenced to two years imprisonment, which sentence was suspended, and Petitioner was placed on supervised probation for a period of thirty months. Among the conditions of probation were that Petitioner submit to warrantless searches by his probation officer for controlled substances, not use, possess or control any illegal drug or controlled substance unless it has been prescribed for Petitioner by a licensed physician and

is in the original container with the prescription number affixed to it, supply breath, urine and/or blood specimens for analysis for the possible presence of a prohibited drug or alcohol and not test positive, and not apply for reinstatement of his pharmacist license during the period of probation.

4. On October 30, 1996, Petitioner was transferred from supervised probation to unsupervised probation for the remainder of the thirty month period. At the hearing on January 21, 2003, Petitioner testified that he completed probation successfully.

5. Petitioner testified that he had obtained approximately 18 hours of continuing education after his license was revoked in 1993.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

The Board, in its discretion, conclude that Petitioner can safely resume the practice of pharmacy, subject to the conditions set forth below.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that, prior to reinstatement of Petitioner's license to practice pharmacy, he must comply with the following conditions:

1. Petitioner shall obtain at least 1500 hours of internship under the supervision of a registered pharmacist.
2. Petitioner shall successfully complete the Board's practical and jurisprudence examinations.
3. Petitioner shall successfully complete the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX).

This the 17th day of March, 20 03.

NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

By: 
David R. Work
Executive Director