

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

In The Matter Of:

**Reciprocity Application of
Amir Bekhit**

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**ORDER DENYING
RECIPROCITY**

THIS MATTER came before the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy (“Board”) concerning the application of Amir Bekhit (“Petitioner”) to reciprocate a license to practice pharmacy. This matter was heard on May 13, 2014 by the Board located at 6015 Farrington Rd., Suite 201, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, before Board members Minton, Marks, McLaughlin, Chesson, Day, and Mixon. Having heard the evidence presented and assessed the credibility of the testifying witnesses, the Board makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner holds a license to practice pharmacy in West Virginia, which he seeks to reciprocate to North Carolina.
2. As part of the reciprocity application process, Petitioner submitted a North Carolina Board of Pharmacy Reciprocity Application. Question 2 of that application asks, “Have you ever failed a state board examination?” Petitioner answered “No.”
3. Petitioner’s signature on the application “affirm[ed] that I have answered the foregoing questions, and that my answers are true and correct. I understand that any false information given by me may subject me to refusal to be licensed, disciplinary action by the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy, and/or any license obtained shall be void and of no effect.”

4. Petitioner also submitted a National Association of Boards of Pharmacy Application for Transfer of Pharmacist Licensure. That application appeared to show that Petitioner had failed the West Virginia Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination.

5. Board staff inquired of Mr. Bekhit concerning the apparent discrepancy.

6. Via electronic mail message in March 2014, and during testimony, Petitioner stated that he had failed both the West Virginia and Virginia Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examinations the first time he took them. Petitioner testified that he retook both examinations, achieved a passing score the second time, and did not have to file a new application for licensure with the West Virginia or Virginia Boards of Pharmacy.

7. Petitioner acknowledged during testimony that the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy Reciprocity Application did not ask whether he was required to file new applications for licensure in either state, but rather asked whether he had “ever failed a state board examination.” Petitioner testified that he did not contact the Board to resolve any questions she may have had about the language of application.

8. Petitioner accepted responsibility for not answering the reciprocity application question correctly.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

Petitioner “made false representations or withheld material information in connection with securing a license or permit.” N.C.G.S. § 90-85.38(a)(1).

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Petitioner’s application to reciprocate a license to practice pharmacy to North Carolina is **DENIED**.

Petitioner may make a new application to reciprocate a license to North Carolina no earlier than six (6) months from the date of this Order.

This Order contains no promise or guarantee, express or implied, that any subsequent application will be approved. Any subsequent application will be assessed, when received, for compliance with North Carolina law, including complete and full disclosure of all information sought in the application materials.

This the 13th day of May, 2014.

NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

By: _____

Jack W. Campbell IV
Executive Director



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on May 15th, 2014, I caused a copy of this Order Denying Reciprocity to be served on Petitioner by certified mail, return receipt requested at the following address:

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Jack W. Campbell IV
Executive Director

cc: Bekhit reciprocity file

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