

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

In the Matter of:

JEWEL FREEMAN
(License No. 10249)

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**CONSENT ORDER OF
DISCIPLINE**

THIS MATTER came on to be considered at a prehearing conference (hereinafter, "Conference") before a member of the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy (hereinafter, "Board") pursuant to 21 N.C.A.C. 46 .2008. This Conference was scheduled for March 14, 2011 and, after appropriate notice, was heard on that day by Board member Dr. Betty H. Dennis at the offices of the Board. Respondent Jewel Freeman (License No. 10249) (hereinafter, "Respondent " or "Freeman") was present, along with other related respondents and their counsel. Respondent was represented by counsel Harvey L. Cosper, Jr. Counsel Clinton R. Pinyan represented the Board. Members of the Board's investigative staff and other Board counsel were also present at the Conference.

Respondent has agreed to waive a formal hearing in the above-referenced matter. Both parties stipulate and agree to the findings of fact and conclusions of law recited herein and to the order of discipline imposed. By her consent, Respondent also stipulates that she waives her right to appeal this Consent Order or challenge in any way the sufficiency of the findings of this Order. Based upon the consent of the parties, the Board hereby enters the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The North Carolina Board of Pharmacy is a body duly organized under the laws of North Carolina and is the proper body for this proceeding under the authority granted it in

Chapter 90 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

2. Respondent is, and was at all relevant times referred to herein, a pharmacist licensed to practice pharmacy in the State of North Carolina with License No. 10249. Respondent was, at all relevant times referred to herein, a pharmacist at Presbyterian Hospital, Permit No. 932, located 200 Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, North Carolina (the "Pharmacy"). Respondent is and was, at all relevant times referenced to herein, subject to the rules and regulations of the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy and the laws of the State of North Carolina.

3. On December 19, 2008, Respondent made a medication dispensing error that resulted in the dispensing of a 9 percent sodium chloride base solution in place of the prescribed 0.9 percent sodium chloride base solution to a pediatric oncology patient. Another pharmacist incorrectly entered the order into a compounding machine as a 9 percent sodium chloride base solution and printed and affixed a label showing that the intravenous bag contained a 9 percent sodium chloride base solution. Respondent's role in the dispensing was to verify that the dispensing was correct. In performing the verification, Respondent failed to recognize that the label on the bag both did not match the amount in the order and showed an amount of sodium chloride that was well in excess of the normal therapeutic dose. Following administration of the drug, the patient died. Respondent acknowledges, and the Board finds, that Respondent misread the 9% sodium chloride label on the bag of base solution as a 0.9% sodium chloride base solution.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the above findings, the Board concludes as a matter of law:

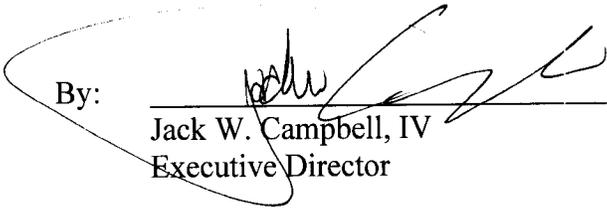
1. Respondent violated N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 90-85.38(a)(6), (7) and (9), 90-85.40(f), and 106-122; 21 N.C.A.C. 46 .1414(a) and .1805.
2. Respondent admits that the conduct in this matter constitutes sufficient grounds for disciplinary action on her license under N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-85.38.

Based upon the foregoing, and with the consent of the parties, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Respondent Jewel Freeman, practicing under License No. 10249, is hereby REPRIMANDED for the aforementioned violations of law.

This the 19th day of April, 2011.

NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PHARMACY

By:



Jack W. Campbell, IV
Executive Director

Jewel Freeman, the holder of license number 10249, has full knowledge that she has the right to a formal hearing in this matter, at which she would have the right to be represented at her expense by counsel. The undersigned freely, knowingly and voluntarily waives such right by entering into this Consent Order.

The undersigned understands and agrees that, by entering into this Consent Order, she certifies that she has read the foregoing Consent Order and that she voluntarily consents to the terms and conditions set forth therein and relinquishes any right to judicial review of Board actions which may be taken concerning this matter.

The undersigned further understands that should she violate the terms and conditions of this Consent Order, the Board may take additional disciplinary action.

The undersigned understands and agrees that this Consent Order will not become effective unless and until approved by the Board.

The undersigned understands that she has the right to have counsel of her choice review and advise her with respect to her rights and this Consent Order, and represents that she enters this Consent Order after consultation with her counsel or after knowingly and voluntarily choosing not to consult with counsel.

CONSENTED TO BY:

Jewel Freeman Date April 7, 2011
Jewel Freeman
(License No. 10249)

NORTH CAROLINA

Mecklenburg COUNTY

I, the undersigned Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the following person(s) personally appeared before me this day, and each acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing document: Jewel Freeman

Date: April 7, 2011

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Notary Public
Imelda Brehmer

My commission expires: July 19, 2012

OBJECTED TO BY:

Date _____

Jewel Freeman
(License No. 10249)