STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
BOARD OF PHARMACY

vs.

ANNA LARA BURAKIEWICZ (LICENSE #PHL04089)

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Section 5-19.1-21 and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, the Department of Health (Department), Board of Pharmacy (Board) has investigated a complaint charging Anna Lara Burakiewicz (Respondent), with violations of RIGL § 5-19.1-21 and Section 27 of the Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Pharmacists, Pharmacies and Manufacturers, Wholesalers and Distributors. After consideration by the Board, the following constitutes the Findings of Fact with respect to the professional performance of the Respondent:

1. Respondent is licensed as a limited pharmacist (intern) in the State of Rhode Island and holds license #PHL04089.

2. On or about July 27, 2010 Respondent pled Nolo Contendere to a charge of Reckless Driving and a charge of Leaving the Scene of an Accident, Property Damage.

3. On or about May 26, 2011 Respondent submitted an application to the Board for licensure as a limited pharmacist (intern) and answered “NO” to the following question: “Have you been convicted of a violation of, or pled Nolo Contendere to any federal, state or local statute, regulation or ordinance or entered into a plea bargain related to a felony (including convictions for driving under the influence)?”

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4. Respondent correctly answered the question cited in Paragraph 3 of this Consent Order as said question did not inquire as to misdemeanors, but only inquired as to felonies.

5. On or about May 17, 2012 Respondent renewed her license as a limited pharmacist (intern) in the State of Rhode Island and answered “NO” to the following question: “Have you been convicted of a violation, pled Nolo Contendere or entered a plea bargain to any federal, state or local statute, regulation or ordinance or any formal charges pending?”

6. Thereafter, on or about March 8, 2013, Respondent contacted the Board to advise of her July 27, 2010 plea of Nolo Contendere to the misdemeanor charges referenced herein and to self-report her belief that she had misinterpreted the pertinent question on her May 2012 renewal application.

7. Respondent omitted her July 27, 2010 plea of Nolo Contendere on her renewal application of May 17, 2012, but failed to contact the Board to seek clarification regarding the pertinent question’s scope.

8. Pursuant to § 5-19.1-21, this conduct constitutes unprofessional conduct in the State of Rhode Island.

Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent is a limited pharmacist (intern) and is able to conduct business under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Rhode Island.

2. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Department and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Department.

3. Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that it is a proposal of the Board and is subject to the final approval by the Department. This Consent Order and the contents thereof are not binding on Respondent until final approval by the Department.

4. Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
   a) The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Board;
   b) The right to produce witnesses and evidence in her behalf at a hearing;
c) The right to cross-examine witnesses;
d) The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board and or the Department;
e) The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
f) Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order;
g) Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Department for consideration and review;
h) Any objection to the fact that it will be necessary for the Department to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to adequately review this Consent Order;
i) Any objection to the fact that the Board reviewing this Consent Order may be the same as the hearing committee presiding over this matter should it later be brought to an administrative hearing; and
j) Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of the presentation of this Consent Order to the Board and or Department.

5. This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and approved by the Department.

6. Acceptance by the Respondent and approval by the Department of this Consent Order constitutes an admission of the facts contained herein.

7. Respondent agrees to a seven (7) month period of probation of her limited pharmacist (intern) license. The probationary term is to commence upon approval of this Order by the Department and will remain in full force pending further order or action of the Department.

8. Respondent shall undergo treatment and/or counseling for substance abuse with a healthcare provider approved by the Board and or the Department and shall continue such treatment during the seven (7) month period of probation. Further, it shall be the responsibility of Respondent to have her treating healthcare professional and/or counselor submit monthly progress reports to the Board. Said reports shall include monthly treatment and/or counseling reports and random
urine screenings conducted at frequencies at the discretion of the treating healthcare professional.

9. Respondent waives confidentiality of her treatment and will direct the healthcare professional rendering treatment to release any progress reports to the Board including but not limited to monthly progress reports and random urine and drug/alcohol screening reports for the duration of the Respondent’s treatment program.

10. This Consent Order will be transmitted forthwith to the healthcare professional which is hereby directed by the Respondent to notify the Board of any breach or termination by the Respondent of her treatment.

11. Respondent agrees to submit reports from her academic pharmacist preceptor and any pharmacy employer which evaluates Respondent’s professional performance as a limited pharmacist (intern). A copy of the monitoring report is attached as Exhibit A. Said reports shall be submitted at the conclusion of each rotation block during her year of Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiential Learning (“APPE”) and will be required for the duration of Respondent’s seven (7) month period of probation. Furthermore, it shall be the responsibility of the Respondent to ensure that all reports are transmitted to the Board from any preceptor and employer at the conclusion of each rotation block.

12. Respondent shall, in writing, request relief from probation in order to return to active unrestricted status upon completion of the seven (7) month period of probation. Once Respondent’s request is approved by the Department, Respondent may return to full and active status provided that Respondent abides by all laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy in this State.

13. That should Respondent violate the terms of this Consent Order, Respondent shall be subject to further disciplinary sanctions.
ANNA LARA BURAKIEWICZ

11/12/2013

Date

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License # PHL04089

11/21/2013

Date

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Chairperson
Rhode Island Board of Pharmacy

Approved on this 21 day of November, 2013.

Michael Fine, M.D.
Director of Health
Rhode Island Department of Health