STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
BOARD OF PHARMACY

VS.

PETER SOLOMON, RPH (RPH03161)

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Sections 5-19.1-21 and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, the Department of Health, Board of Pharmacy (hereinafter “Department”) has investigated a complaint charging Peter Solomon, RPh (hereinafter “Respondent”), with violations of Chapter 5-19.1 of the Rules and Regulations. After consideration by the Department, the following constitutes the Findings of Fact with respect to the professional performance of the Respondent:

1. Respondent is a registered pharmacist licensed to operate in the State of Rhode Island.

2. That on August 5, 2010 and August 24, 2010, routine inspections conducted by the Department revealed excessive outdated stock; the filling of invalid faxed schedule II prescriptions; the filling of invalid schedule III and IV prescriptions without handwritten signatures of the prescriber; outdated schedule II medications not clearly separated and quarantined from dispensable inventory; biennial inventory not completed for year of 2010.

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

The parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent is a licensed registered pharmacist 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 Department and is subject to the final ratification by the Department. This Consent Order and the contents thereof are not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Department.

4. Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
   a) The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Department;
   b) The right to produce witnesses and evidence in its behalf at a hearing;
   c) The right to cross-examine witnesses;
   d) The right to have subpoenas issued by 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 Department 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.
   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 Department.

5. This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and accepted 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 two (2) year period of probation of his registered pharmacist license. The probationary term is to commence upon ratification of this Order by the Board and will abate for the duration of any period in which Respondent ceases to be employed as a pharmacist.

8. Respondent shall, in writing, request relief from probation in order to return to active unrestricted status upon completion of the two (2) year period of probation. Once Respondent's request is approved by the Department, Respondent may return to full and active status provided that he abides by all laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy in this State.

9. Respondent shall also be subject to a minimum of an additional 2 hours (0.2CEU's) of continuing education in the field of state and federal laws, regulations, or compliance. These continuing education requirements shall be in addition to those required under R5-19.1-PHAR-7.4 and Respondent shall submit all required credits to the Department on or before June 30, 2012.

10. Respondent shall also attend the annual Rhode Island Pharmacist’s Association overview of federal and state laws. Respondent shall submit evidence demonstrating attendance of this event to the Department on or before June 30, 2012.

11. Respondent agrees to a Formal Reprimand of his registered pharmacist license.

12. That should Respondent violate the terms of this Consent Order, Respondent shall be subject to further disciplinary sanctions.

Date

Peter Solomon, RPh
License # RPH03161

Approved on this 15 day of December 2011

Jonathan M. Mundy, RPh
Chairperson
Rhode Island Board of Pharmacy