BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD RESPIRATORY CARE EXAMINERS

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In the Matter of:) CASE NO. 2019-RCE-0215
EMILY SCHUNK, RCP Holder of License No. 005977 For the Practice of Respiratory Care))) FINDINGS OF FACT,) CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND) ORDER FOR REVOCATION
In the State of Arizona	
Emily Schunk, RCP ("Respondent")), did not appear before the Arizona State Board of
Respiratory Care Examiners ("Board") for	a Formal Administrative Hearing on Thursday, May
21, 2020. Seamus Monaghan, Assistant A	ttorney General, appeared on behalf of the State of
Arizona. Michael Raine, Assistant Attorne	ey General, appeared as independent advice counsel
for the Board. Following the presentation	n of the State's Motion to Deem the Allegations
Admitted, pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3553(K), the Board voted to grant the State's Motion and
adopted the following Findings of Fact, Con	clusions of Law, and Order.
FINDINGS OF FACT	
1. The Arizona State Board of	Respiratory Care Examiners is the duly constituted
agency for licensing and regulating of the practice of respiratory care in the State of Arizona and	
has jurisdiction over Respondent as a licen	see of the Board and the subject matter pursuant to
A.R.S. § 32-3501, et seq.	
2. Respondent was the holder	of License Number 005977 which enabled her to
practice respiratory care in the State of Arizo	ona, prior to this Order.
3. Respondent's license to prac	etice respiratory care was active until May 7, 2021,
prior to this Order.	
4. On or about August 27, 20	19, the Board received an online complaint which

disclosed that Respondent was charged with a DUI, extreme DUI, criminal damage greater than

\$10,000.00, and endangerment, on or about June 12, 2019.

- 5. Respondent failed to report these charges to the Board in writing, within 10 working days after the charges were filed, as required pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-3208(A) and 32-3501(9)(l).
- 6. The Board reached out to inquire about the pending charges on or about August 27, 2019, and Respondent stated that she was unaware she had a duty to report this type of charge or arrest. Since August 27, 2019, the Board has received no correspondence from licensee, nor has she returned attempts by the Board to contact her.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The conduct described in the Findings of Fact constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-3552(A)(3) and violate the provisions of A.R.S. § 32-3501(9)(g) which states, "Immorality or misconduct that tends to discredit the respiratory therapy profession."
- 2. The conduct described in the Findings of Fact constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-3552(A)(1) and (3) and violate the provisions of A.R.S. § 32-3501(9)(i) which states, "Any conduct or practice which is contrary to recognized standards of ethics of the respiratory therapy profession or any conduct or practice which does or might constitute a danger to the health, welfare or safety of the patient or the public."
- 3. The conduct described in the Findings of Fact constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-3552(A)(1) and (3) and violate the provisions of A.R.S. § 32-3501(9)(k), which states, "Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate a provision of this chapter."
- 4. The conduct described in the Findings of Fact constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-3552(A)(3) and violate the provisions of A.R.S. § 32-3501(9)(1), which states, "Failing to report to the board within 10 calendar days an incident or incidents that appear to show the existence of a cause for disciplinary action or that a licensed respiratory care practitioner is or may be professionally incompetent or is or may be mentally or physically unable to engage safely in the practice of respiratory care."

ORDER

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT** License No. 005977 issued to Respondent shall be **REVOKED** on the effective date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent may not apply to the Board for reinstatement of her license for at least one calendar year from the issuance date of this Order, as specified in A.R.S. § 32-3554 (A) and (B).

NOTICE

In order to be eligible for judicial review pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 7, Article 6, you are required to exhaust your administrative remedies by filing a motion for rehearing or review of the Board's decision within thirty-five days after these Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order are mailed to you at your last known address, or thirty days after they are personally served upon you. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.09(B), you are notified that failure to file a motion for rehearing or review in writing at the Board's office by that date has the effect of prohibiting you from seeking judicial review of the Board's decision.



DATED THIS 22ND DAY OF MAY, 2020.

ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE EXAMINERS

Ву

Jack Confer, Executive Director

Original Findings of Fact, Conclusions Of Law, and Order for Revocation of License to Practice Respiratory Care filed this 22nd day of May, 2020 with the:

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