BEFORE THE
ACUPUNCTURE BOARD
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 1A-2010-176
ANGELA YOUNGSOOK OH, L.Ac. OAH No. 2011110900
Respondent.

STIPULATED SURRENDER OF LICENSE AND ORDER

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

PARTIES

1. Janelle Wedge (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Acupuncture Board. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, by Peggie Bradford Tarwater, Deputy Attorney General.

2. Angela Youngsook Oh, L.Ac. (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney Geoffrey Robert Pope, whose address is 1375 Elma Court, Ontario, California 91764.

3. On or about August 14, 2000, the Acupuncture Board (Board) issued Acupuncture License No. AC 7395 to Angela Youngsook Oh, L.Ac. (Respondent). That license was in full
force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 1A-2010-176 and will expire on June 30, 2012, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 1A-2010-176 was filed before the Board on August 17, 2011 and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on August 17, 2011. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation.

ADVICEMENT AND WAIVERS

5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 1A-2010-176. Respondent also has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.

6. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the following: the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel at her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 1A-2010-176, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders to the Board her Acupuncture License No. AC 7395 for the Board's formal acceptance.

9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of her Acupuncture License without further process.

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RESERVATION

10. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Acupuncture Board or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.

CONTINGENCY

11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Acupuncture Board. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Acupuncture Board may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent or her counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

12. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

13. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT Acupuncture License No. AC 7395, issued to Respondent Angela Youngsook Oh, L.Ac., is surrendered and accepted by the Acupuncture Board.

1. The surrender of Respondent’s Acupuncture License and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent’s license history with the Acupuncture Board.
2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as an acupuncturist in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.

3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board her pocket license and, if one was issued, her wall certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.

4. If Respondent files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 1A-2010-176 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.

5. Respondent shall pay the Board its costs of investigation and enforcement in the amount of $1,487.50 prior to issuance of a new or reinstated license.

ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of License and Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Geoffrey Robert Pope. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Acupuncture License. I enter into this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Acupuncture Board.

DATED: 2/8/12

ANGELA YOUNGSOOK OH, L.Ac.
Respondent
I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Angela Youngsook Oh, L.Ac. the terms and conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I approve its form and content.

DATED: \(2/4/12\)

GEORGE ROBERT POPE
Attorney for Respondent

ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Acupuncture Board of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Dated: Respectfully submitted,

KAMALA D. HARRIS
Attorney General of California
ROBERT MCKIM BELL
Supervising Deputy Attorney General

PEGGIE BRADFORD TARWATER
Deputy Attorney General
Attorneys for Complainant
I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Angela Youngsook Oh, L.Ac. the terms and conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I approve its form and content.

DATED: ___________________________  
GEOFFREY ROBERT POPE  
Attorney for Respondent

ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Acupuncture Board of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Dated: 2/13/12

Respectfully submitted,

KAMALA D. HARRIS  
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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 1A-2010-176
In the Matter of the Accusation Against: ANGELA YOUNGSOOK OH, L.Ac.

203 N. Magnolia Avenue, #D
Anaheim, California 92801

Acupuncture License No. AC 7395

Respondent.

Complainant alleges:

PARTIES

1. Janelle Wedge (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Acupuncture Board of California (Board).

2. On or about August 14, 2000, the Board issued Acupuncture License number AC 7395 to Angela Youngsook Oh (Respondent). That license was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on June 30, 2012, unless renewed.

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3. This Accusation is brought before the Board under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.

4. Section 4955 of the Code states:

"The board may deny, suspend, or revoke, or impose probationary conditions upon, the license of any acupuncturist if he or she is guilty of unprofessional conduct.

"Unprofessional conduct shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

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"(b) Conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of an acupuncturist, the record of conviction being conclusive evidence thereof.

"..."

5. Section 4956 of the Code states:

"A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere made to a charge which is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of an acupuncturist is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this chapter.

"The board may order a license suspended or revoked, or may deny a license, or may impose probationary conditions upon a license, when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence irrespective of a subsequent order under the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing the person to withdraw his or her pleas of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, complaint, information, or indictment."

6. Section 4961 of the Code states:

"(a) Every person who is now or hereafter licensed to practice acupuncture in this state shall register, on forms prescribed by the Acupuncture Board, his or her
place of practice, or, if he or she has more than one place of practice, all of the places of practice. If the licensee has no place of practice, he or she shall notify the board of that fact. A person licensed by the board shall register within 30 days after the date of his or her licensure.

"(b) An acupuncturist licensee shall post his or her license in a conspicuous location in his or her place of practice at all times. If an acupuncturist has more than one place of practice, he or she shall obtain from the board a duplicate license for each additional location and post the duplicate license at each location.

"(c) Any licensee that changes the location of his or her place of practice shall register each change within 30 days of making that change. In the event a licensee fails to notify the board of any change in the address of a place of practice within the time prescribed by this section, the board may deny renewal of licensure. An applicant for renewal of licensure shall specify in his or her application whether or not there has been a change in the location of his or her place of practice and, if so, the date of that change. The board may accept that statement as evidence of the change of address."

COST RECOVERY

7. Section 4959 of the Code states:

"(a) The board may request the administrative law judge, under his or her proposed decision in resolution of a disciplinary proceeding before the board, to direct any licensee found guilty of unprofessional conduct to pay to the board a sum not to exceed actual and reasonable costs of the investigation and prosecution of the case.

"(b) The costs to be assessed shall be fixed by the administrative law judge and shall not in any event be increased by the board. When the board does not adopt a proposed decision and remands the case to an administrative law judge, the administrative law judge shall not increase the amount of any costs assessed in the proposed decision.
"(c) When the payment directed in the board's order for payment of costs is not made by the licensee, the board may enforce the order for payment in the superior court in the county where the administrative hearing was held. This right of enforcement shall be in addition to any other rights the board may have as to any licensee directed to pay costs.

"(d) In any judicial action for the recovery of costs, proof of the board's decision shall be conclusive proof of the validity of the order of payment and the terms for payment.

"(e) All costs recovered under this section shall be considered a reimbursement for costs incurred and shall be deposited in the Acupuncture Fund."

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE
(Conviction of a Crime)

8. The Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 4955, subdivision (b), and 4956 in that she was convicted of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of an acupuncturist. The circumstances are as follows:

9. On or about September 13, 2010, Respondent was charged by misdemeanor complaint with a violation of Labor Code section 3700.5 for willfully and unlawfully failing to secure payment of workers' compensation as required by Labor Code section 3700.1

10. On or about April 4, 2010, Respondent pled guilty to a violation of Labor Code section 3700.5. She was placed on probation for a period of three years with various terms and

1 Labor Code section 3700.5 provides, in pertinent part:

"(a) The failure to secure the payment of compensation as required by this article by one who knew, or because of his or her knowledge or experience should be reasonably expected to have known, of the obligation to secure the payment of compensation, is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for up to one year, or by a fine of up to double the amount of premium, as determined by the court, that would otherwise have been due to secure the payment of compensation during the time compensation was not secured, but not less than ten thousand dollars ($10,000), or by both that imprisonment and fine."
conditions, including the following: maintain full and proper workers' compensation insurance coverage for all employees of any business she owns and/or operates; provide evidence of worker's compensation insurance coverage to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office when requested; and provide to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office written proof of workers' compensation insurance coverage on a monthly basis. Respondent was further ordered to pay a fine in the amount of $10,000, all but $100 of which was suspended on the condition that Respondent maintain continuous workers' compensation insurance coverage.

11. Respondent's failure to secure workers' compensation insurance as required is substantially related to the qualifications, functions and duties of her profession. Respondent failed to take required steps to lessen the risk of harm to employees working under her employ. Respondent breached her professional duties in failing to provide workers' compensation insurance as an employer and as a licensee.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(FAILURE TO REGISTER PRACTICE LOCATION)

12. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 4961 in that she failed to register with the Board all practice locations. The circumstances are as follows:

13. On or about August 13, 2010, Respondent was issued a citation for failure to secure workers' compensation insurance in violation of Labor Code section 3700.5 for Best Acupuncture, 8832 Limonite Avenue, Riverside, California. However, Respondent failed to register this practice location with the Board as required by section 4961.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Acupuncture Board issue a decision:

1. Revoking or suspending Acupuncture License Number AC 7395, issued to Angela Youngsook Oh;

2. Ordering her to pay the Acupuncture Board the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4959; and

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3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: AUG 17 2011

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Accusation

Complaint

TANNELE WEDGE
Executive Officer
Acupuncture Board
Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California