

1 Subsequently, Board staff received information that Respondent had been previously
2 hospitalized for an apparent overdose on medications on November 17, 2015.

3 5. The information was presented to the Executive Director, Investigation Staff,
4 and the Chief Medical Consultant, who all agreed that Respondent's ability to perform
5 healthcare tasks should be restricted. Respondent entered into an Interim Consent
6 Agreement for Practice Restriction which was executed on December 16, 2015.

7 6. According to the terms of the previous Order for Letter of Reprimand and
8 Probation and Consent to Same in case PA-13-0052A, in the event of a chemical
9 dependency relapse by Respondent or Respondent's use of drugs or alcohol in violation of
10 the Order, Respondent's license shall be summarily suspended pending a hearing for
11 revocation. In the alternative, Respondent may surrender her license if she agrees in
12 writing to being impaired by alcohol or drug abuse pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2551(P).

13 7. On December 17, 2015, Respondent submitted a written request to
14 voluntarily surrender her license.

15 8. Respondent admits to the acts described above and that they constitute
16 unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2501(18)(d) ("habitual intemperance in
17 the use of alcohol or habitual substance abuse"); and A.R.S. § 32-1501(18)(k) ("[v]iolation
18 of a formal order, probation or stipulation issued by the board.").

19 CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

20 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over
21 Respondent.

22 2. The Board possesses statutory authority to enter into a consent agreement
23 with a physician assistant and accept the surrender of an active license from a physician
24 assistant who admits to having committed an act of unprofessional conduct. A.R.S. § 32-
25 2551(P).

1 **ORDER**

2 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT Respondent immediately surrender License
3 Number 1883, issued to Linda Diane Teague, P.A. for the performance of healthcare tasks
4 in the State of Arizona, and return her and certificate of licensure to the Board.

5 DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 25th day of February, 2016.

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7 ARIZONA REGULATORY BOARD OF
8 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

9 By Patricia E. McSorley
10 Patricia E. McSorley
11 Executive Director

12 **CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER**

13 1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and the
14 stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Order"). Respondent
15 acknowledges she has the right to consult with legal counsel regarding this matter.

16 2. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that this Order is entered into freely
17 and voluntarily and that no promise was made or coercion used to induce such entry.

18 3. By consenting to this Order, Respondent voluntarily relinquishes any rights
19 to a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged, or to
20 challenge this Order in its entirety as issued by the Board, and waives any other cause of
21 action related thereto or arising from said Order.

22 4. The Order is not effective until approved by the Board and signed by its
23 Executive Director.

24 5. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for final disposition of this
25 matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving
the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended

1 or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government
2 regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or
3 any other state or federal court.

4 6. Upon signing this agreement, and returning this document (or a copy
5 thereof) to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke the consent to the
6 entry of the Order. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Any
7 modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved
8 by the parties.

9 7. This Order is a public record that will be publicly disseminated as a formal
10 disciplinary action of the Board and will be reported to the National Practitioner's Data
11 Bank and on the Board's web site as a disciplinary action.

12 8. If any part of the Order is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the
13 remainder of the Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect.

14 9. If the Board does not adopt this Order, Respondent will not assert as a
15 defense that the Board's consideration of the Order constitutes bias, prejudice,
16 prejudgment or other similar defense.

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18 Linda Teague PA-C
19 Linda Diane Teague, P.A.

DATED: 12/23/15

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21 EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed
22 this 25th day of February, 2016 to:

23 Linda Diane Teague, P.A.
24 Address of Record

25 ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed
this 25th day of February, 2016 with:

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