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OFFICE OF CANNABIS POLICY

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July 27th, 2023

Via Electronic Mail and USPS First Class Mail

James M. Johnson

Subject: Notice of Revocation of Registry Identification Card(s)

The Maine Department of Administrative & Financial Services, Office of Cannabis Policy (Department) is responsible for the administration and oversight of the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Program (MMCP). Protection for authorized conduct requires compliance with the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Act and program rules. Pursuant to its authority under 22 M.R.S., Chapter 558-C, §2430-F, the Department revokes the following Caregiver Registration Card Number(s): CGR29534. Such revocation(s) are effective three (3) calendar days after the date of this notice.

I. Justification for revocation:

The Department's decision to revoke your Caregiver Registration Card(s) is based on your violation of the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Act. More specifically, the Department's MMCP field investigation staff have provided the Department with sufficient evidence to demonstrate the following statutory and regulatory violations:

- On March 13, 2023, a Maine Sheriff's Association (MSA) agent, that has never been issued a patient card, purchased medical cannabis at The Green Moose, 375 Station Road, Stacyville, ME.
- 2. On March 20,2023, a Maine Sheriff's Association (MSA) agent, that has never been issued a patient card, made a second purchase of medical cannabis at The Green Moose, 375 Station Road, Stacyville, ME.
- 3. On January 21, 2023, a MSA agent tried to make a purchase of medical cannabis at The Green Moose, however, the business was closed at that time.
- 4. On May 16, 2023, the OCP determined that the employee who made the sale of medical cannabis to the agent on March 13, 2023, was not registered or licensed as a caregiver assistant with our office. You refused to identify the person but did state that this person was never registered or licensed as a caregiver assistant.

- 5. It was also determined that on March 20, 2023, you were the person who made the sale of medical cannabis to the agent without identifying or asking for a medical card.
- When asked for business records, such as trip tickets or patient transaction logs and employee files. You claimed they were destroyed because of water damage. No records were ever produced except for a signed job description for you.

For these reasons, your eligibility to participate in the MMCP has been revoked.

- 1. 22 M.R.S.A. § 2430-G Failure to Maintain Adequate Business Records/Patient Transaction Logs
- 2. 22 M.R.S.A. § 2425-A (2) Expired or Unregistered Caregiver Assistant(s)/Employee(s)
- 3. 22 M.R.S.A. § 2423-A (2) Furnishing Harvested Marijuana to a Person who was Neither a Qualifying Patient nor Otherwise Authorized to Possess Medical Marijuana; and a basis for Revocation of Registry Identification Card, 22 M.R.S.A. § 2430-F(2)

Please immediately return your Registry Identification Card to:

Department of Administrative & Financial Services Office of Cannabis Policy Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Program 162 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0162

II. Registration Revocation and Right to Request an Administrative Hearing:

Pursuant to 22 M.R.S. §2430-F, the Department may suspend or revoke a registry identification card for violation of Chapter 558-C and the rules adopted by the Department. A person who has had authorization for conduct under Chapter 558-C revoked due to failure to comply with Chapter 558-C and rules adopted by the Department may request an administrative hearing. If you would like to request an administrative hearing, please notify the Department in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the revocation effective date at the address information provided above. A request for an administrative hearing should be sent to Vernon Malloch, Deputy Director of Operations, by email at <u>Vernon.Malloch@maine.gov</u> or USPS at 162 State House Station, 19 Union Street, Augusta, Maine 04333-0062. If the Department does not receive a hearing request in accordance with the policy, the revocation becomes final.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Field

Director of Compliance

Office of Cannabis Policy

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