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March 13, 2023

Via Electronic Mail and USPS First Class Mail

Forrest Teer

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 Assistant Card Number(s): RIC17476. 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 Registry Identification Card Number(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 May 28, 2022, a Maine Sheriff's Association (MSA) agent, that has never been issued a patient card, was given (gifted) medical cannabis at Bold Coast Cannabis, 185 Dublin Street, Machias, ME. There was no packaging (not child resistant or tamper evident), and there was no opaque exit packaging.
- On July 30, 2022, a MSA agent attempted to purchase medical cannabis at Bold Coast Cannabis, 185 Dublin Street, Machias, ME. When the agent advised he had no patient card, the sale was refused. The agent then exited the store.
- On October 5, 2022, a different MSA agent, that has never been issued a patient card, was given (gifted) medical cannabis at Bold Coast Cannabis, 185 Dublin Street, Machias, ME. There was no packaging (not child resistant or tamper evident), and there was no opaque exit packaging.
- On January 9, 2023, the OCP determined the employee that gifted cannabis on May 28 and October 5, 2022, was identified as Forrest Teer. There were no Patient Transaction Logs for the May 28 and October 5, 2022, cannabis gifts.

For these reasons, your eligibility to participate in the MMCP has been revoked.

- **22 M.R.S.A. § 2423-A (2)** Furnishing Harvested Cannabis to a Person who was Neither a Qualifying Patient nor Otherwise Authorized to Possess Medical Cannabis; a Mandatory Revocation of Registry Identification Card pursuant to **22 M.R.S.A. § 2430-F(2)**
- 22 M.R.S.A. § 2430-G Failure to Maintain Adequate Business Records/Patient Transaction Logs

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

Michael W. Field Director of Compliance Office of Cannabis Policy

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