#### SUMMARY SUSPENSION COVER SHEET

In re: Arthur Woodend, E.M.T.

Petition No. 2023-31

- 1. Arthur Woodend ("respondent") of Bristol, Connecticut was certified to practice as an emergency medical technician in 2019.
- 2. On multiple occasions in or about 2020, respondent abused or utilized to excess alcohol and such abuse, or excess use, of alcohol does, and/or may, affect his practice as an emergency medical technician.
- 3. On or about June 21, 2021, respondent abused or utilized to excess alcohol and/or one or more drugs, including, without limitation, Ativan, Oxycodone. Lorazepam, and/or Dilaudid (collectively, "drugs") and such abuse, or excess use, of alcohol or drugs does, and/or may, affect his practice as an emergency medical technician.
- 4. On or about April 19, 2022, respondent abused or utilized to excess alcohol and/or one or more drugs and such abuse, or excess use of alcohol or drugs does, and/or may, affect his practice as an emergency medical technician.
- 5. From at least in or about June 2021 to the present, respondent has or had one or more mental or emotional illness or disorder (collectively, "illness") and such illness does, and/or may, affect his practice as an emergency medical technician.
- 6. For the foregoing reasons, the Department believes that respondent's continued practice as an emergency medical technician represents a clear and immediate danger to public health and safety. The Department respectfully requests the Commissioner of the Department, or her designee, summarily suspend respondent's certificate until a full hearing on the merits can be held.

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# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH

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### MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

The Department of Public Health ("the Department") moves, in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §§4-182(c) and 19a-17(c), that the Commissioner of the Department, or her designee, summarily suspend the certificate of Arthur Woodend to practice as an emergency medical technician in Connecticut. This motion is based on the attached Statement of Charges, report, documents and on the Department's information and belief that the continued practice of Arthur Woodend represents a clear and immediate danger to public health and safety.

Raffaella Calciano, R.N., M.Ed., Paramedic, Director

Office of Emergency Medical Services Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch

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#### STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§19a-10 and 19a-14, the Department of Public Health ("the Department") brings the following charges against Arthur Woodend, E.M.T.:

- 1. Arthur Woodend ("respondent") is the holder of Connecticut emergency medical technician certificate number 024589.
- 2. On multiple occasions in or about 2020, respondent abused or utilized to excess alcohol and such abuse, or excess use, of alcohol does, and/or may, affect his practice as an emergency medical technician.
- 3. On or about June 21, 2021, respondent abused or utilized to excess alcohol and/or one or more drugs, including, without limitation, Ativan, Oxycodone. Lorazepam, and/or Dilaudid (collectively, "drugs") and such abuse, or excess use, of alcohol or drugs does, and/or may, affect his practice as an emergency medical technician.
- 4. On or about April 19, 2022, respondent abused or utilized to excess alcohol and/or one or more drugs and such abuse, or excess use of alcohol or drugs does, and/or may, affect his practice as an emergency medical technician.
- 5. From at least in or about June 2021 to the present, respondent has or had one or more mental or emotional illness or disorder (collectively, "illness") and such illness does, and/or may, affect his practice as an emergency medical technician.
- 6. The above-described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §20-206nn, including, but not limited to:
  - a. §20-206nn (6); and/or
  - b. §20-206nn (7).

## WHEREFORE, the Department prays that:

The Commissioner of the Department, or her designee, as authorized by Connecticut General Statutes §§20-206nn and 19a-17, revoke or order other disciplinary action against the emergency medical technician certificate of Arthur Woodend as he or she deems appropriate and consistent with law.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this

\_day of January , 20

Raffaella Calciano, R.N., M.Ed., Paramedic, Director

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## STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH

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### **SUMMARY SUSPENSION ORDER**

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health having moved for an order of summary suspension in this petition and having submitted a report and documents in support of its motion; and

WHEREAS, said report and documents allege facts which show violations of Connecticut General Statutes §20-206nn, and which imperatively require emergency action in that the public health, safety or welfare of the citizens of the State of Connecticut is in clear and immediate danger.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 4-182(c) and § 19a-17(c), the Commissioner, Department of Public Health, or her designee, **ORDERS**:

1. That certificate number 024589 of Arthur Woodend to practice as an emergency medical technician in the State of Connecticut is hereby summarily suspended

2.	pending a final determination by the Commissioner, Department of Public Health, or her designee, regarding the allegations contained in the Statement of Charges, and			
		g in this matter is scheduled for the(AM/PM) via Microsoft Teams.	of	
Dated at _	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	, Connecticut this day of	, 2024.	
		Commissioner, Department of Public	Health or her designe	_ ee

#### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

Investigation Report dated January 11, 2024 (6 pages) CONFIDENTIAL/SEAL

Excerpts of Records from Health System InterVention Education Network ("Haven") **CONFIDENTIAL/UNDER SEAL** (85 pages total):

Letter dated 8/4/2023 from Haven to Steven Hotchkiss, Health Program Assistant (2 pages) **CONFIDENTIAL/UNDER SEAL** 

Excerpts of Bristol Hospital Records from 6/21/21 admission (42 pages) **CONFIDENTIAL/UNDER SEAL** 

Records from Institute of Living Professionals' Addiction Recovery Services Program (17 pages) CONFIDENTIAL/UNDER SEAL

Prohealth Physician Record for 9/23/21 Visit (3 pages) ) CONFIDENTIAL/UNDER SEAL

Yale New Haven Health Records (16 pages) CONFIDENTIAL/UNDER SEAL

Excerpts of Haven Notes and Emails (5 pages) CONFIDENTIAL/UNDER SEAL