

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PROVIDENCE, SC.

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH :
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION :
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES :
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v. :
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DAVID R. LASHUS, EMT-C (EMT11423; ERS11423) :

SUMMARY SUSPENSION

David R. Lashus (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as an Emergency Medical Technician pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws chapter 23-4.1 and holds license numbers EMT11423 and ERS11423.

On November 9, 2012, Respondent was arrested and charged with the following counts: manufacture/delivery/possession with intent to deliver a Schedule I-II drug, manufacture/selling/possession of 1 to 5 kilograms of marijuana, possession of a Schedule I-V controlled substance and possession of a firearm / controlled substance violation.

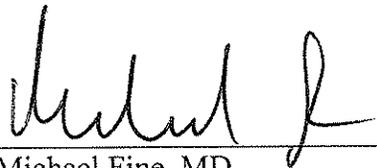
In a typewritten statement prepared by the Johnston Police dated November 9, 2012, Respondent admitted to Johnston Police on that date that he received two packages at his residence that contained four and eight pounds of marijuana respectively over a two week period in October and November 2012. He admitted that he bought the marijuana in Fresno, California, for \$1200 per pound and then shipped the packages to his Johnston residence by Federal Express. Respondent admitted he would sell marijuana in Rhode Island at a rate of \$2400 per pound. Respondent has a medical marijuana card, but he

admitted that he was in possession of more than the allowed amount of marijuana pursuant to the card.

Based upon the foregoing, and pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 23-4.1-9 and 42-35-14(c) and regulations pertaining to unprofessional conduct, the Director of Health has determined that the continuation of the license of David R. Lashus as an emergency medical technician constitutes an imminent threat to the health, welfare and safety of the public, and imperatively requires emergency action. Accordingly, the emergency medical technician licenses of David R. Lashus are hereby suspended forthwith. Said suspension shall continue indefinitely pending further hearing and/or Order of the Department of Health.

Respondent is entitled to a hearing in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws 42-35-14(c).

Signed this 11th day of March, 2013.



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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have delivered via hand delivery the within SUMMARY SUSPENSION to David R. Lashus at 1164 Plainfield Street, Johnston, RI 02919, and by mail to his attorney, Gerrick VanDeusen, Esquire, 225 Broadway, Providence, RI 02903, on this 11th day of March, 2013.

James M. Rhode