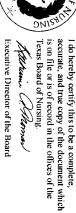


## BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Nurse Midwife and Registered Nurse License Number 233598 § issued to PATRICIA K. BREWER §



## ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Nurse Midwife and Registered Nurse License Number 233598, issued to PATRICIA K. BREWER, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas. Respondent's recognition as a Nurse Midwife is in delinquent status in the State of Texas. Respondent's authorization for prescriptive authority is in delinquent status in the State of Texas.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.
- 3. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas, in May 1975. Respondent completed a Nurse Midwife Program at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, on December 1, 1983. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 6, 1975. Respondent received authorization to practice as a Nurse Midwife on August 15, 1984 and received prescriptive authorization on July 30, 1995.

## 4. Respondent's professional nursing employment history includes:

| 1975 - 1976  | First Lieutenant                       | Army Nurse Corps<br>McPherson General Hospital<br>Fort McPherson, Georgia |
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| 1976 - 1979  | Captain                                | Army Nurse Corps Darnall Army Hospital Fort Hood, Texas                   |
| 1979 - 1982  | Captain                                | Army Nurse Corps<br>Tripler Army Medical Center<br>Honolulu, Hawaii       |
| 1983 - 1984  | Faculty Associate                      | The University of Texas Health Science<br>Center, Dallas, Texas           |
| 1986 - 1987  | Acting Director<br>Nurse/Midwifery     | Flow Memorial Hospital<br>Denton, Texas                                   |
| 1987 - 1988  | Staff Nurse/<br>Midwife                | Parkland Memorial Hospital<br>Dallas, Texas                               |
| 1988 - 1994  | Clinical Director                      | North Texas Community Clinics<br>Dallas, Texas                            |
| 1991 - 1992  | Staff Nurse/<br>Midwife                | Navarro Regional Hospital<br>Denton, Texas                                |
| 1994 - 1999  | CNM                                    | Associates of Woman's Health<br>Denton, Texas                             |
| 1999 - 2003  | CNM                                    | The Women's Center<br>Denton, Texas                                       |
| 2003 - 2006  | Owner/Clinical<br>Director             | A Place for Birth and Women's Care<br>Denton, Texas                       |
| 2006 - 2007  | Associate Professor<br>Lab Coordinator | Collin County Community College<br>Denton, Texas                          |
| 2007 - 12/07 | Field RN                               | CC Home Health<br>Denton, Texas   |

Respondent's professional nursing employment history continued:

12/07 - Present

Field RN

Denton Home Health Denton, Texas

- 5. On November 10, 2009, Respondent was issued the sanction of a Reprimand with Stipulations through an Agreed Order by the Board. A copy of the November 10, 2009, Agreed Order, Finding of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order dated is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 6. Formal Charges were filed on April 19, 2012. A copy of the Formal Charges is attached and incorporated by reference as part of this Order.
- 7. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on April 20, 2012.
- 8. On October 3, 2011, the Board received a notarized statement from Respondent voluntarily surrendering the right to practice nursing in Texas. A copy of Respondent's notarized statement, dated October 3, 2011, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Notice was served in accordance with law.
- 3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove a violation of Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).
- 4. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
- 5. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
- 6. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.452 (b), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TAC§§213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

## <u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of Nurse Midwife and Registered Nurse License Number 233598, heretofore issued to PATRICIA K. BREWER, to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

- 1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice professional nursing, use the title of registered nurse or the abbreviation "RN" or wear any insignia identifying herself as a registered nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a registered nurse during the period in which the license is surrendered.
- 2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order.
- 3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.

Effective this 24th day of April, 2012.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

In the Matter of Permanent License § BEFORE THE TEXAS
Number 233598, Issued to §
PATRICIA K. BREWER, Respondent § BOARD OF NURSING

#### FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, PATRICIA K. BREWER, is a Registered Nurse holding license number 233598, which is in current status at the time of this pleading.

Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged to warrant adverse licensure action was sent to Respondent at Respondent's address of record and Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license prior to commencement of this proceeding.

#### CHARGE I.

On or about November 11, 2010, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on November 10, 2009, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number Three (3) of the Agreed Order which states, in pertinent part:

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics....

A copy of the November 10, 2009, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to. and including, revocation of Respondent's license/s to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301, Texas Occupations Code and the Board's rules, 22 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 213.27 - 213.33. Additionally, staff will seek to impose on Respondent the administrative costs of the proceeding pursuant to Section 301.461. Texas Occupations Code. The cost of proceedings shall include, but is not limited to, the cost paid by the Board to the State Office of Administrative Hearings and the Office of the Attorney General or other Board counsel for legal and investigative services, the cost of a court reporter and witnesses, reproduction of records, Board staff time, travel, and expenses. These shall be in an amount of at least one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200.00).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, which can be found at www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/discp-matrix.html.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Respondent's past disciplinary history, as set out below and described in the Order which is attached and incorporated by reference as part of these charges, will be offered in support of the disposition recommended by staff: Agreed Order dated November 10, 2009.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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Attachments: Agreed Order dated November 10, 2009.

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## BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of License Number 233598

AGREED

issued to PATRICIA K. BREWER

8 ORDER

An investigation by the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, produced evidence indicating that PATRICIA K. BREWER, hereinafter referred to as RESPONDENT, Registered Nurse License Number 233598, may have violated Section 301.452(b)(9),(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code.

A mediation settlement conference was held on October 2, 2009, at the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

Respondent appeared in person. Respondent was represented by Courtney D. Newton, Attorney at Law. In attendance were Administrative Law Judge, Renee M. Rusch; John F. Legris, Assistant General Counsel; and Noemi Leal, Supervising Investigator.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was served on Respondent and Respondent was given an opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license.
- 2. Respondent waived notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas, in May 1975. Respondent completed a Nurse Midwife Program at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, on December 1, 1983. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 6, 1975. Respondent received authorization to practice as a Nurse Midwife on August 15, 1984 and received prescriptive authorization on July 30, 1995.

# 5. Respondent's professional nursing employment history includes:

| 1975 - 1976   | First Lieutenant                       | Army Nurse Corps McPherson General Hospital Fort McPherson, Georgia |
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| 1976 - 1979   | Captain                                | Army Nurse Corps Darnall Army Hospital Fort Hood, Texas             |
| 1979 - 1982   | Captain                                | Army Nurse Corps Tripler Army Medical Center Honolulu, Hawaii       |
| 1983 - 1984   | Faculty Associate                      | The University of Texas Health Science Center, Dallas, Texas        |
| 1986 - 1987   | Acting Director<br>Nurse/Midwifery     | Flow Memorial Hospital<br>Denton, Texas                             |
| 1987 - 1988   | Staff Nurse/<br>Midwife                | Parkland Memorial Hospital<br>Dallas, Texas                         |
| 1988 - 1994   | Clinical Director                      | North Texas Community Clinics Dallas, Texas                         |
| 1991 - 1992   | Staff Nurse/<br>Midwife                | Navarro Regional Hospital Denton, Texas                             |
| 1994 - 1999   | CNM                                    | Associates of Woman's Health<br>Denton, Texas                       |
| 1999 - 2003   | CNM                                    | The Women's Center<br>Denton, Texas                                 |
| 2003 - 2006   | Owner/Clinical<br>Director             | A Place for Birth and Women's Care<br>Denton, Texas                 |
| 2006 - 2007   | Associate Professor<br>Lab Coordinator | Collin County Community College<br>Denton, Texas                    |
| 2007 - 12/07  | Field RN                               | CC Home Health<br>Denton, Texas                                     |
| 12/07 - 11/08 | Field RN                               | Denton Home Health<br>Denton, Texas                                 |

Respondent's professional nursing employment history continues:

02/09 - Present

Director of Nursing

Blessing Healthcare Services, LLC Lewisville, Texas

- 6. On or about July 2005, through January 9, 2006, while employed as a Nurse Midwife/Owner of A Place for Birth & Women's Care Center, Denton, Texas, Respondent lacked fitness to practice nursing in that while on duty she exhibited slurred speech and fell to the floor while examining one of her patients. Respondent's conduct could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in the patient's condition, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.
- On or about July 2005, through January 9, 2006, while employed as a Nurse Midwife/Owner of A Place for Birth & Women's Care Center, Denton, Texas, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of drugs including Promethazine, Narcan, Nubain, and Stadol. Respondent admitted that she was "self medicating" and agreed to go to a treatment facility in Grapevine, Texas. The use of drugs, including Promethazine, Narcan, Nubain, and Stadol, by a Registered Nurse, while subject to call or duty, could impair the nurse's ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in the patient's condition, and could impair the nurse's ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.
- 8. Respondent states that in May 2005 she had an upper respiratory infection for approximately one month. Her physician attempted antibiotic therapy and then steroids without success and later it was diagnosed as MRSA. She continued to feel worse and continued to work because the office manager and the other APN had made statements to staff that they were going to take possession of the facility and she did not want to lose it. Respondent admits that she self-medicated with Phenergan for nausea, but denies using narcan at any time. Respondent also admits using Stadol for sleep while at home and she attempted to boost her energy by using Nubain during this time while at work in an attempt to overcome the extreme fatigue. She admits that while at work she had episodes of falling due to the numbness in her leg as well as fainting spells at work from her illness, exhaustion, and inability to eat. She denies falling to the floor while examining her patient. On January 11, 2006, Respondent states that she stopped working and agreed to go to rehabilitation for five (5) days for evaluation. Respondent states that "I knew that the drug program was not what I needed but I had no strength to argue. . . within 24 hours of admission to rehabilitation I was taken to the emergency room of Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas due to a large abscess that developed quickly on my right leg. . . I was very ill but I was not and am not a drug addict. . . I am now working on my areas of needs:
  - 1) I am working with the Presbyterian Sleep Center for my insomnia
  - 2) I am seeing Dr. Lisa Clayton for depression medication
  - 3) I have my first visit scheduled with Kathleen Smallwood, Psychotherapist, to work on stress management."

- 9. Respondent completed a Forensic Psychological Evaluation on March 10, 2008, performed by Timothy J. Proctor, Ph.D., ABPP, Richardson, Texas. Dr. Proctor states that the results of the Substance Abuse Screening Inventory-3 revealed a low probability of the presence of a substance abuse disorder. However, the results of this test were limited by a defensive response style. Diagnostic Impressions include Axis I Major Depressive Disorder, Recurrent (by history), in remission. Primary Insomnia (stable with treatment per self-report). Dr. Proctor states that it is probable that Ms. Brewer will be able to consistently behave in accordance with the requirement of the Board rules and minimum standards with the following additional recommendations:
  - a. That she undergo a brief, outpatient course of relapse prevention treatment with a mental health professional that has expertise in this area. The purpose of this treatment is to provide Ms. Brewer with resources to prevent future abuse of substances. It is the evaluator's opinion that intensive substance abuse treatment is not required at this time.
  - b. Random urine drug screening should be conducted with regularity.
  - c. Ms. Brewer should continue in treatment with her psychiatrist to manage symptoms of depression and insomnia. Her symptoms are currently stable, but if problems arise in the future, a return to psychotherapy, in addition to medication treatment, is also recommended.
  - d. Positions that prevent a regular sleep schedule should be avoided. It appears that her sleep schedule as a midwife greatly influenced her insomnia, which led to other problems, such as depression and misuse of medication. Positions of this type should be avoided.
  - e. Ms. Brewer should complete an ethics course to provide additional education regarding her responsibilities and duties as a nurse.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Notice was served in accordance with law.
- 3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove violations of Section 301.452(b)(9),(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A)(E),(4),(5),(10)(A).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 233598, heretofore issued to PATRICIA K. BREWER, including revocation of Respondent's professional license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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#### ORDER.

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a REPRIMAND WITH STIPULATIONS, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as amended, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 et seq., the Rules and Regulations Relating to Professional Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.1 et seq. and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice professional nursing in compact states.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license is encumbered by this Order, Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT hereby VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERS her authorization to practice as a Nurse Midwife.

#### IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

(1) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as an advanced practice nurse, or use the title "Nurse Midwife" or the abbreviation "CNM" or wear any insignia identifying herself as an advanced practice nurse or nurse midwife or use any designation, that directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that the RESPONDENT is an advanced practice nurse or a nurse midwife during the period in which the advanced practice authorization is surrendered. For the purpose of this

order, advanced nursing practice is described in 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §221.1(3).

- (2) Should RESPONDENT desire to return to practice as a Nurse Midwife in the State of Texas, RESPONDENT SHALL petition the Board for such authorization to practice as an Advanced Practice Nurse and the petition shall be evaluated pursuant to criteria outlined in 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE, Chapters 221 and 222.
- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is not being offered by a pre-approved provider. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include nurses. It shall be a minimum of six (6) contact hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, documentation of care, principles of nursing ethics, confidentiality, professional boundaries, and the Board's Disciplinary Sanction Policies regarding Sexual Misconduct, Fraud, Theft and Deception, Nurses with Chemical Dependency, and Lying and Falsification. Courses focusing on malpractice issues will not be accepted. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Office of the Board to verify RESPONDENT's successful completion of the course. This course shall be taken in addition to any other courses stipulated in this Order, if any, and in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board has for relicensure. Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinary action.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A REGISTERED NURSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, RESPONDENT WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR 6

OTHER CLINICAL SETTING AND RESPONDENT MUST WORK IN SUCH SETTING A MINIMUM OF SIXTY-FOUR (64) HOURS PER MONTH UNDER THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS FOR TWO (2) YEARS OF EMPLOYMENT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF HER EMPLOYMENT WITH BLESSING HEALTHCARE SERVICES, LLC, LEWISVILLE, TEXAS. THE LENGTH OF THE STIPULATIONS WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT OR OF EMPLOYMENT THAT DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF A REGISTERED NURSE (RN) LICENSE, WILL NOT APPLY TO THIS STIPULATIONS PERIOD:

- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each present employer within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each future employer prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- (5) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
- (6) For the duration of the stipulation period, RESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse who is on the premises. The supervising RN is not required to be on the same 7

unit or ward as RESPONDENT, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if necessary. The supervising RN shall have a minimum of two (2) years experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the Respondent is currently working. RESPONDENT SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited. RESPONDENT is exempt from this stipulation while employed with BLESSING HEALTHCARE SERVICES, LLC, Lewisville, Texas.

- (7) While employed with Blessing Healthcare Services, LLC, RESPONDENT SHALL not provide direct patient care to patients for whom the following medications have been prescribed: Phenergan, Stadol, and Nubain.
- (8) For the duration of the stipulation period, RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a nurse on the night shift, rotate shifts, work overtime, accept on-call assignments, or be used for coverage on any unit other than the identified, predetermined unit(s) to which Respondent is regularly assigned.
- (9) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board, periodic reports as to RESPONDENT's capability to practice nursing. These reports shall be completed by the Registered Nurse who supervises the RESPONDENT. These reports shall be submitted by the supervising Registered Nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) months for two (2) years of employment as a nurse.
- (10) RESPONDENT SHALL abstain from the consumption of alcohol, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates, and/or the use of controlled substances, except as prescribed by a licensed practitioner for a legitimate purpose. If prescribed, RESPONDENT 8

SHALL CAUSE the licensed practitioner to submit a written report identifying the medication, dosage and the date the medication was prescribed. The report shall be submitted directly to the office of the Board by the prescribing practitioner, within ten (10) days of the date of the prescription. In the event that prescriptions for controlled substances are required for periods of two (2) weeks or longer, the Board may require and RESPONDENT SHALL submit to an evaluation by a Board approved physician specializing in Pain Management or Psychiatry. The performing evaluator will submit a written report to the Board's office, including results of the evaluation, clinical indications for the prescriptions, and recommendations for on-going treatment within thirty (30) days from the Board's request.

(11) RESPONDENT SHALL submit to random periodic screens for controlled substances, tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram), and alcohol. For the first three (3) month period, random screens shall be performed at least once per week. For the next three (3) month period, random screens shall be performed at least twice per month. For the next six (6) month period, random screens shall be performed at least once per month. For the remainder of the stipulation period, random screens shall be performed at least once every three (3) months.

Specimens shall be screened for at least the following substances:

Amphetamines
Barbiturates
Benzodiazepines
Cannabinoids
Cocaine
Ethanol
tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram)

Meperidine Methadone Methagualone Opiates Phencyclidine Propoxyphene

A Board representative may appear at the RESPONDENT's place of employment at any time during the stipulation period and require RESPONDENT to produce a specimen for screening.

All screens shall be properly monitored and produced in accordance with the Board's policy on Random Drug Testing. A complete chain of custody shall be maintained for each specimen obtained and analyzed. RESPONDENT SHALL be responsible for the costs of all random

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drug screening during the stipulation period.

Any positive result for which the nurse does not have a valid prescription will be regarded as non-compliance with the terms of this Order and may subject the nurse to further disciplinary action by this Board. Failure to report for a drug screen may be considered the same as a positive result and may result in further disciplinary action by this Board

- Psychiatrist. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the Psychiatrist to submit written reports, on forms provided by the Board, as to the RESPONDENT's progress in therapy, rehabilitation and capability to safely practice nursing. The report must indicate whether or not the RESPONDENT's stability is sufficient to provide direct patient care safely. Such reports are to be furnished each and every month for three (3) months. If treatment is recommended for beyond three (3) months, the reports shall then be required at the end of each three (3) months for the duration of the stipulation period, or until RESPONDENT is dismissed from treatment.
- (13) RESPONDENT SHALL, within ninety (90) days of entry of this Order, successfully complete an outpatient program in Relapse Prevention. RESPONDENT SHALL submit a written summary of the intended Relapse Prevention program to the Board for approval prior to enrollment. Upon completion of the Relapse Prevention program, RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Program Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Office of the Board to verify RESPONDENT's successful completion of the program.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be issued an unencumbered license and multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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## RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this A greed Order. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violations alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order, and any conditions of said Order, to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order is subject to ratification by the Board. When this Order is ratified, the terms of this Order become effective, and a copy will be mailed to me. I understand that if I fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, I will be subject to investigation and disciplinary sanction, including revocation of my license to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 2 day of Orthogo, 2009.

PATRICIA K. BREWER, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of October, 2009.

**SEAL** 

JULI GONZALEZ
Notery Public. State of Texas
My Commission Expires
July 30, 2013

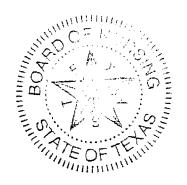
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Approved as to form and substance.

Courtney Newton, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this Znd day of October, 2009.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the <u>2<sup>nd</sup></u> day of <u>October</u>, 2009, by PATRICIA K. BREWER, License Number 233598, and said Order is final.



Effective this 10th day of November, 2009.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN

Executive Director on behalf of said Board

PATRICIA K. BREWER 2500 Ridgewood Drive Plano, Texas 75074 Texas RN License #233598

Voluntary Surrender Statement

September 12, 2011

Dear Texas Board of Nursing:

I no longer desire to be licensed as a professional nurse. Accordingly, I voluntarily surrender my license/licenses to practice in Texas. I, Patricia K. Brewer, waive representation by counsel and consent to the entry of an Order which outlines requirements for reinstatement of my license. I understand that I will be required to comply with the Board's Rules and Regulations in effect at the time I submit any petition for reinstatement.

| Signature Bot Browner          |
|--------------------------------|
| Date 9-20-11                   |
| Texas Nursing License Number/s |

The State of Texas

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared PATRICIA K. BREWER who, being duly sworn by me, stated that she executed the above for the purpose therein contained and that she understood same.

Sworn to before me the 33dd day of September, 2011

**SEAL** 

JENNIFER A KUESPERT My Commission Expires May 29, 2013 otary Public in and for the State of

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