IN THE MATTER OF	§ s	BEFORE THE ELIGIBILITY
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE	Ş	AND DISCIPLINARY
NUMBER 181561	8 8 2	COMMITTEE
ISSUED TO	§	OF THE TEXAS
TONYA SUZANNE PRYOR	§ §	BOARD OF NURSING

ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO:

Tonya Suzanne Pryor

P.O. Box 551

Knox City, Texas 79529

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on Tuesday June 12, 2012, the Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case, based on the failure of the Respondent to appear as required by 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee of the Texas Board of Nursing finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458, Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely Notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.



The Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the

proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached

hereto and incorporated by reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of

revocation by default. This Order will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given

an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing [22 Tex. ADMIN.CODE § 213.16(j)]. All parties have

a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically

adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Certificate Number 181561,

previously issued to TONYA SUZANNE PRYOR, to practice vocational nursing in the State of

Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse

licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 12 day of June, 2012.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment:

Formal Charge filed May 3, 2012.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the <u>I</u>day of <u>June</u>, 2012, a true and correct copy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served by placement in the U.S. Mail via certified mail, and addressed to the following person(s):

Tonya Suzanne Pryor P.O. Box 551 Knox City, Texas 79529

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

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In the Matter of Permanent License § BEFORE THE TEXAS Number 181561, Issued to § TONYA SUZANNE PRYOR, Respondent § BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, TONYA SUZANNE PRYOR, is a Vocational Nurse holding license number 181561, 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 April 26, 2010, Respondent submitted a Texas Online Renewal Document Licensed Vocational Nurse to the Texas Board of Nursing in which she provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that she answered "No" to the question:

"Have you, within the past 24 months or since your last renewal, for any criminal offense, including those pending appeal:

- A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
- B. been convicted of a felony?
- C. pled noto contendere, no contest, or guilty?
- D. received deferred adjudication?
- E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
- F. been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? court-ordered confinement?
- G. been granted pre-trial diversion?
- H. been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?
- 1. been cited or charged with any violation of the law?
- J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?"

Respondent failed to disclose that, on or about January 4, 2010, Respondent was arrested by Haskell County Sheriff's Office, Haskell, Texas, for SECURE EXECUTION OF DOCUMENT BY DECEPTION >=\$1500 <\$20K, a State Jail felony offense, and that criminal charges were pending at the time that she submitted her Renewal Form to the Board.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(6)(I).

CHARGE II.

On or about May 13, 2010, Respondent pled guilty to SECURE EXECUTION OF DOCUMENT BY DECEPTION, a State Jail felony offense committed on September 12, 2007, in the 39th District Court, Haskell County, Texas, under Case No. 6395. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of guilt and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of three (3) years and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(13).

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.

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NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on Adopted Disciplinary Guidelines for Criminal Conduct and on Adopted Disciplinary Sanction Policies for Nurses with for Lying and Falsification, for Fraud, Theft and Deception, which 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.

Filed this 3rd day of May 2012

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