

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

05/2004 - 07/2006	Registered Nurse - Medical/ Surgical, Telemetry, Intensive Care Unit (ICU)	Kindred Hospital Houston, Texas
01/2006 - 03/2007	Registered Nurse - High Observation Unit	Healthsouth Hospital Houston, Texas
07/2006 - Unknown	Registered Nurse - ICU	Triumph Hospital Houston, Texas
06/2007 - Unknown	Registered Nurse - Medical/Surgical/ Telemetry, Oncology	Memorial Hermann Houston, Texas
10/2008 - 01/2010	Registered Nurse - Medical/ Surgical	St. Luke's Hospital The Woodlands, Texas
02/2010 - Present	Unknown	

6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with St. Luke's Hospital, The Woodlands, Texas, and had been in this position for one (1) year and three (3) months.
7. On or about January 7, 2010, while employed with St. Luke's Hospital, The Woodlands, Texas, Respondent failed to initiate emergency response when Patient Medical Record Number B0936200945 complained of chest pain and shortness of breath. Respondent requested an electrocardiogram (EKG), which showed "ST" wave elevation and an Acute Myocardial Infarction (MI), however, Respondent failed to initiate emergency response or notify the on-coming nurse of the patient's condition. Respondent's conduct delayed emergency response and put the patient at risk for complications relating to Acute Myocardial Infarction, including demise.
8. Respondent states that she was notified by the Patient Care Associate (PCA) that the patient complained of chest pain and shortness of breath. She went to the patient's room and assessed the nature of the patient's pain and placed her on oxygen. Respondent states she then requested an EKG which showed ST elevation and an Acute MI. Respondent states that she then checked with the Telemetry tech to see if there were any changes in the ST elevation. The charge nurse inquired as to what was occurring and Respondent informed him. Respondent then administered Dilaudid for pain and had the unit secretary page the patient's physicians twice. Respondent states that she then sought help from the morning charge nurse and they summoned the Rapid Response Team. Two doctors came to see the patient and transferred her to the cath lab.

9. On or about September 18, 2010, Respondent successfully completed the course, "Nursing Ethics/Jurisprudence," which would have been a requirement of this Order.
10. On or about November 14, 2010, Respondent successfully completed the course, "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills," which would have been a requirement 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 violation of Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(B)&(1)(M) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(4).
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 702947, heretofore issued to ELVIRA MARTEL TICZON, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

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

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that, while under the terms of this Order, this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license(s) is/are encumbered by this Order, Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a nurse licensure compact 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, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A NURSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, RESPONDENT WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR OTHER CLINICAL SETTING AND RESPONDENT MUST WORK IN SUCH SETTING A MINIMUM OF SIXTY-FOUR (64) HOURS PER MONTH UNDER THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS FOR ONE (1) YEAR OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE STIPULATION PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH TWELVE (12) MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT OR OF EMPLOYMENT THAT DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF A REGISTERED NURSE (RN) OR A VOCATIONAL NURSE (LVN) LICENSE, AS APPROPRIATE, WILL NOT APPLY TO THIS STIPULATION PERIOD:

(1) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT'S license(s). 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(s). 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.

(2) 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.

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse, who is on the premises. The supervising nurse is not required to be on the same unit or ward as RESPONDENT, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if necessary. The supervising nurse 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.

(4) 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 nurse who supervises the RESPONDENT. These reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) month period for one (1) year of employment as a nurse. IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and RESPONDENT shall be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

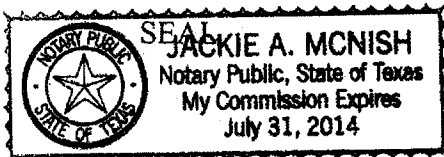
RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed 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(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 19 day of MAY, 2012.

Elvira Martel A. Ticzon
ELVIRA MARTEL TICZON, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19 day of MAY, 2012.



Jackie McNish
Notary Public in and for the State of TEXAS

Approved as to form and substance.

Taralynn R. Mackay
Taralynn Mackay, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 22nd day of May, 2012

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 19th day of May, 2012, by ELVIRA MARTEL TICZON, Registered Nurse License Number 702947, and said Order is final.

Effective this 12th day of June, 2012.



Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN
Executive Director on behalf
of said Board