## BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Vocational Nurse

§ AGREED

License Number 122990

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issued to CARLA ANN PRICE

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the E considered the matter of CARLA ANN PRICE, Vocational Nurse License Number 122990, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 4528c, Sec. 10(a)(2)&(9), Texas Occupations Code, (effective 09/01/1985). Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on April 19, 2011, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director.

### 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(s).
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Nursing from Amarillo College, Amarillo, Texas, on May 27, 1988. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on December 8, 1988.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.
- 6. On or about April 25, 1988, Respondent submitted an Application for Licensure by

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accurate, and true copy of the document where is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.

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Examination to the Texas Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners in which she provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information in that she answered "No" to the question:

"Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor other than a minor traffic violation?"

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about October 25, 1979, Respondent pled guilty and was convicted of THEFT BY CK, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on May 17, 1979, in the County Court, Hockley County, Texas, under Cause No. 13517.

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about March 15, 1982, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty and was convicted of THEFT O/20, U/200, a misdemeanor offense, in the County Court at Law No. 1, Randall County, Texas, under Cause No. 17776L.

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about November 30, 1987, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty and was convicted of ISSUANCE OF A BAD CHECK, a Class C misdemeanor offense, in the County Court at Law No. 1, Randall County, Texas, under Cause No. 28077L.

7. In response to Finding of Fact Number Six (6), Respondent states that she does have these charges of Theft by Check on her criminal background. She explains that until the time she began nursing school, she did not maintain a stable residence or address. Respondent states that she was unaware of these checks being turned over to law enforcement until she was arrested on separate occurrences.

## 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 4528c, Sec. 10(a)(2)&(9), Texas Occupations Code, (eff. 09/01/1985), and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §231.81(2)(A), (eff. 01/01/1985).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 122990, heretofore issued to CARLA ANN PRICE, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

# **ORDER**

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of REMEDIAL EDUCATION AND A FINE, 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 State of Texas and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

### IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

- (1) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days of entry of this Order. Payment is to be made directly to the Texas Board of Nursing in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.
- (2) 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 <u>not</u> 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 Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder; 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/disciplinarvaction/stipscourses.html.

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.

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## RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. 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 when this Order becomes final and the terms of this Order become effective, 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 t	his 3	day of	Novem	ber, 2011	<b></b> .
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3 day of Nov, 2011. Jakuson - Munnich **SEAL** Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Commission Expires

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of
the Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the
3rd day of November, 20 11, by CARLA ANN PRICE, Vocational Nurse License
Number 122990, and said Order is final.

Effective this <u>1st</u> day of <u>December</u>, 20 11.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board