



In the Matter of Registered Nurse License Number 583129

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AGREED

issued to LEONA LESLIE KEMP

§ ORDER

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

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On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of LEONA LESLIE KEMP, Registered Nurse License Number 583129, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(1)&(13), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on June 23, 2011, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, 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 professional nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Galveston College, Galveston, Texas, on May 13, 1992; and received a Master's Degree from The University of Texas Health Science Center Adult Nurse Practitioner Program, Houston, Texas, on March 24, 2004. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 31, 1992; was Board recognized as an Adult Nurse Practitioner in the State of Texas on June 15, 2004; and was Board recognized with Prescriptive Authority on July 28, 2005.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

8/92 - 2/02	Unknown	
3/02 - 6/05	Staff Nurse	Clear Lake Regional Medical Center Webster, Texas
7/05 - 8/06	Adult Nurse Practitioner Neurology	Holly Varner, MD Nassau Bay, Texas
9/06 - 11/06	Adult Nurse Practitioner	Bacon Psychiatric Associates Houston, Texas
12/06 - 1/08	Adult Nurse Practitioner	Digestive Health Center Pasadena, Texas
2/08 - 5/08	Adult Nurse Practitioner	New Haven Clinic Houston, Texas
6/08 - 8/08	Unknown	
9/08 - Present	Adult Nurse Practitioner	House Call Doctors of Texas Houston, Texas

- 6. At the time of the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent was employed as an Adult Nurse Practitioner with New Haven Clinic, Houston, Texas, and had been in this position for three (3) months.
- 7. On or about November 2, 2009, the Texas Board of Nursing was notified that Respondent failed to maintain a current Controlled Substance Registration Number between May 31, 2008 through December 1, 2008, as required, however, Respondent continued to prescribe and dispense Controlled Substances to patients during that time. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacies and is a violation of Chapter 481 of the Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act).
- 8. Respondent admits to the allegations and states that she plans to keep a folder of all her licenses and check each quarter for expirations and requirements.
  - Respondent adds that she was diagnosed with Stage III Breast Cancer the beginning of 2009 and underwent chemotherapy at MD Anderson.
- 9. Formal Charges filed on August 12, 2011.

10. Formal Charges mailed on August 15, 2011.

# 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)(1)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §§217.11(1)(A)&(4)(B) and 222.6(A)&(C).
- 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 583129, heretofore issued to LEONA LESLIE KEMP, 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, 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) 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/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). 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.

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 this 30 day of Delembr 20 11.

LEONA LESLIE KEMP, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30 day of 3000 day.

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CRISTINA GONZALEZ

Notary Public, State of Texas
My Commission Expires

JUNE 10, 2015

Notary Public in and for the State of \_\_\_\_\_

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 <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/journal-nurse-license-number-583129">30th day of December , 2011</a>, by , Registered Nurse License Number 583129, and said Order is final.



Effective this 3rd day of January, 2012.

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