

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse § AGREED License Number 653780 § oRDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of JEAN RODRIQUEZ SNAVELY, Registered Nurse License Number 653780, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on October 12, 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 professional nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received an Associates Degree in Nursing from the College of Southern Maryland, La Plata, Maryland, on May 1, 1998. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on July 17, 1998.

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5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

12/93-12/97	Secretary/Nurse Aide/GN Civista Medical Center La Plata, Maryland
12/97-9/98	Unknown
9/98-5/99	Telemetry Staff Nurse/RN McAllen Medical Center McAllen, Texas
5/99-2/00	Unknown
2/00-8/04	School Nurse/RN Harlingen CISD Harlingen, Texas
8/04-4/05	Triage Nurse/RN Nuestra Clinica Del Valle Pharr, Texas
4/05-9/08	School Nurse/RN Pharr/San Juan/Alamo ISD Pharr, Texas
9/08-11/08	Unknown
11/08-2/09	Substitute School Nurse/RN Corpus Christi ISD Corpus Christi, Texas
2/09-1/10	Unknown
1/10-3/10	Staff Nurse/RN Retama Manor Nursing Home Harlingen, Texas
3/10-Present	Unknown

6. On or about December 29, 2009, Respondent submitted an Online Renewal Document Registered 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 nolo 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?
- I. 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 judgement/punishment/action?"

Respondent failed to disclose the following:

On or about October 13, 2009, Respondent was arrested by the Bandera Police Department, Bandera, Texas for FAILURE TO IDENTIFY (a Class B misdemeanor offense), and the criminal charge was still pending at the time Respondent submitted the renewal. Note: The charge was dismissed on or about May 4, 2010.

On or about October 17, 2009, Respondent was arrested by the Bandera Police Department, Bandera, Texas, with FALSE ALARM OR REPORT (a Class A misdemeanor offense), and the criminal charge was still pending at the time Respondent submitted the renewal.

7. In response to Finding of Fact Number Six (6), Respondent states: She was arrested twice within the same week in October 2009. She was in a relationship with an alcoholic man. He was the nicest person in the world when sober. When he drank, he became obnoxious, mean, and physically abusive towards her. On October 13, 2009, he became physically and verbally abusive to her. The police were called. When the police arrived, he immediately calmed down and looked like an innocent angel. She was extremely hysterical and lost all composure. She was arrested by the Bandera Police. On October 17, 2009, it happened again.

When she renewed her license in December 2009, she was dumb and naive regarding legal issues. She honestly thought she was answering the question correctly because she had not been formally convicted. She now sees that the question asked about being arrested.

- 8. On or about May 4, 2010, Respondent pled Nolo Contendere and was convicted of FALSE ALARM OR REPORT (a Class A misdemeanor offense committed on October 17, 2009), in the County Court at Law of Bandera County, Texas, under Cause No.09-00524. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Bandera County Jail for a period of three hundred sixty-five (365) days; however, imposition of the sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of eighteen (18) months. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine, court costs, and restitution in the amount of one hundred (\$100) dollars.
- 9. In response to Finding of Fact Number Eight (8), Respondent states: On October 17, 2009, it happened again. Her significant other became mean, nasty, and physically abusive. This time, she called the police and he ran outside and hid. When the police arrived he was nowhere to be found. They couldn't find him and they left. As soon as they left, he began banging on her door. She called the police again. When the police arrived, they again could not locate the man, so she was arrested for making a false report. She was convicted in May 2010, and will complete probation in November 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)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(6)(I)&(13).
- 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 653780, heretofore issued to JEAN RODRIQUEZ SNAVELY, 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 two hundred fifty (\$250) dollars. 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 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.

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 day of, 20
	JEAN RODRIQUEZ SNAVELY, Respondent
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Signed this 3/4

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SNAVELY, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

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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 January, 2012, by JEAN RODRIQUEZ SNAVELY, Registered Nurse License Number 653780, and said Order is final.



Effective this 6th day of January, 2012.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf of said Board