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I do hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.

*Marjorie A. Bronk*  
Executive Director of the Board

BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSE EXAMINERS	*	STATE OF TEXAS
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VS.	*	
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STARLA DAWN JONES	*	COUNTY OF TRAVIS

**AGREED BOARD ORDER**

On this day came to be considered by the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, the matter of vocational nurse license number 088249, held by STARLA DAWN JONES, hereinafter called Respondent.

A sworn Complaint has been filed and served on the Respondent, which alleges violations of the Vocational Nurse Act, Texas Revised Civil Statutes Annotated, Article 4528c, and grounds to take disciplinary action against Respondent.

A prehearing conference was held on Tuesday, August 12, 1997, at the office of the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners. The conference was conducted by Marjorie A. Bronk, R.N., Executive Director of the Board, assisted by Susie B. Cheney, LVN, member of the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners. Respondent was present and was not represented by counsel.

The conference was attended by Champ R. Kerr, Investigator for the Board, and Lynn Bey-Roode, Assistant Attorney General. By their notarized signature on this Order, Respondent does hereby waive the right to Notice of Formal Hearing and a Formal Hearing of the Complaint before the Board, and to judicial review of this disciplinary action after this Order is endorsed by the Board.

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After reviewing the Complaint and information provided at the prehearing conference, Respondent agrees to the entry of an Order dispensing with the need for further proceedings on the Complaint. By Respondent's signature on this Order, Respondent neither admits nor denies the truth of the allegations stated in the Complaint. By Respondent's signature on this Order, Respondent acknowledges that they have read and understood this Order and have approved it for consideration by the Board. Notice of this disciplinary action will appear in the Board's newsletter sent to Texas employers.

ORDER OF THE BOARD

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, that license number 088249, heretofore issued to STARLA DAWN JONES, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby suspended, with said suspension stayed and placed on probation for a period of one (1) year.

The probation of said license is subject to the following stipulations, to wit:

1. That if Respondent's place of employment, name, address or telephone number changes, Respondent is to notify the Board office immediately, or no later than ten (10) days after said change has occurred. Said notification shall be in the form of a written letter or report.
2. That Respondent shall comply with Federal, State, and local laws, and all the provisions of the Vocational Nurse Act and Rules and Regulations of the Board.
3. That by copy of this Board Order, Respondent shall provide notice of Board disciplinary action to his/her immediate nursing supervisor(s) and Director(s) of Nursing, throughout the term of probation.

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4. That Respondent shall be responsible for causing his/her immediate nursing supervisor(s) to submit satisfactory reports directly to the Board office on a quarterly basis, throughout the term of probation. The receipt of an unfavorable and/or untimely report shall be considered a violation of probation.

5. That any period(s) of nursing unemployment must be documented in writing by Respondent and submitted to the Board office, as provided in Stipulation No. four (4).

6. That Respondent shall not be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, home health agency, or as a private duty nurse, throughout the term of probation.

7. That Respondent shall attend weekly meetings of a Chemical Dependency Support Group (AA/NA), and shall be responsible for causing his/her program sponsor to submit satisfactory reports directly to the Board office on a quarterly basis, throughout the term of probation. The receipt of an unfavorable and/or untimely report shall be considered a violation of probation.

8. That Respondent shall and hereby agrees to remain free of alcohol and all unprescribed controlled substances. Any controlled or legend medication must be prescribed by a physician knowledgeable about the disease of addiction, as well as Respondent's history, and it is incumbent upon Respondent to insure such physician knowledge. In all such cases, the prescribed drugs must be verified in writing to the Board by the prescribing physician.

9. That Respondent shall submit to random periodic blood alcohol and urine drug screen(s) upon demand of the Board staff throughout the term of probation. Respondent shall submit to a drug screening panel consisting of the following: Alcohol, Amphetamines, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepines, Cannabinoids, Cocaine, Hydrocodone, Meperidine, Opiates, Propoxyphene, PCP, Morphine, Codeine, Methadone, and Methaqualone. Said screen(s) shall be properly monitored with adherence to chain of custody procedures. A positive result shall be legally confirmed by Gas Liquid Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GCMS). The results of said screen(s) shall be submitted directly to the Board office by the laboratory. The expense of said screen(s) shall be borne by Respondent. The report of a positive drug screen shall be considered a violation of probation.

This Agreed Order shall not be effective or take effect and become enforceable in accordance with its terms until endorsed by a majority of the Board present and voting, at its next regularly called session.

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Dated this the 12 day of August, 1997.

Starla Jones  
Signature of Respondent

4514-45TH  
Current Address

Lubbock TX 79414  
City, State and Zip

806, 795-0751  
Area Code and Telephone Number

The State of Texas  
County of Tarrant

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared STARLA DAWN JONES, who being duly sworn by me stated that he or she executed the above for the purpose therein contained, and that he or she understood same.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this the 12th day of August, 1997.

Kathleen A. Davis  
NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR  
THE STATE OF TEXAS  
My Commission Expires 3/15/99

Marjorie A. Bronk  
Marjorie A. Bronk, R.N.  
Agent for the Board of  
Vocational Nurse Examiners

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned authority, on this the 15th day of August, 1997.



Linda Rae Kent  
NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

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ENDORSEMENT OF THE BOARD  
To The Agreed Board Order  
in the matter of Vocational Nurse  
License No. 088249  
Issued to Starla Dawn Jones

At its regularly called session, on the 16th day of September, 1997, came on to be considered the indicated Agreed Board Order pertaining to Starla Dawn Jones. The Board having reviewed the contents of said Order, the Order should be, and is hereby, endorsed as an Order of the Board and made an official act of the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas.

Said Order is rendered on this the 16th day of September, 1997.

Vergie F. Perry  
Carla McBoan  
Betty Sims  
Linda  
Kelli K. Brown  
Janet Woodruff  
Dale M. Robinson

Walter Lee Casey, LVN



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1997,  
a true and correct copy of the foregoing Order was served by placement in the  
U.S. Mail, first class, and addressed to the following person(s):

STARLA DAWN JONES  
4514 45TH  
LUBBOCK TX 79414

Marjorie A. Bronk, RN  
Marjorie A. Bronk, RN  
Executive Director  
Agent for the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners

BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSE EXAMINERS

STATE OF TEXAS

VS.

STARLA DAWN JONES

COUNTY OF TRAVIS

COMPLAINT

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for the State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Champ R. Kerr, who after being by me duly sworn, did depose and say:

As an Investigator for the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners, I, Champ R. Kerr, do hereby present to the Executive Director of the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners, the following complaint against STARLA DAWN JONES, a practitioner of vocational nursing in Texas licensed by the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners with license number 088249, hereinafter called Respondent.

## I.

a. On or about March 13, 1997, the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners received a written referral from the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN) alleging that Respondent had been non-compliant with the TPAPN program.

## II.

a. Respondent was employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse at Companion Care in Lubbock, Texas, from about June 30, 1994, through about May 30, 1995.

b. While so employed with said facility on or about May 24, 1995, Respondent and Home Health Aide N.L. were assigned to the home care of M.E. While on duty at M.E's home Respondent had in her possession a six (6) pack of Beer. Subsequently, Respondent offered Home Health Aide N.L. the ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE.

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## III.

The foregoing acts constitute unprofessional or dishonorable conduct that, in the opinion of the Board, is likely to deceive, defraud, or injure the public, in violation of Article 4528c, Section 10 (a) (9), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas and Rule 239.11 of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners, Title 22, Texas Administrative Code. Rule 239.11, provides in pertinent part: that "Unprofessional Conduct" shall include, but not be limited to:

(10) practicing as a vocational nurse while the individual's ability to practice is impaired by alcohol, drugs, physical or mental disability and/or testing positive for alcohol, illicit drugs, or other substances not prescribed;

(27) failing to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable prevailing practice, regardless of whether or not actual injury to any person was sustained.

## IV.

The foregoing acts constitute grounds for the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners to take disciplinary action as provided under Article 4528c, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1951, as amended.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, I, Champ R. Kerr, do hereby suggest and request the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners take disciplinary action against STARLA DAWN JONES, LVN #088249, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Texas.

  
APPLICANT



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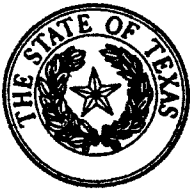
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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME by the said Champ R. Kerr, on this the 18<sup>th</sup>  
day of July 1997.

Kathleen D. Davis  
NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

Filed with the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of July  
1997.

Marjorie A. Bronk, R.N.  
Marjorie A. Bronk, R.N.  
Executive Director  
Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners



**BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSE EXAMINERS**

**333 GUADALUPE STREET, SUITE 3-400**

**AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**

**512/305-8100**

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September 18, 1998

STARLA JONES  
4514 45<sup>TH</sup>  
LUBBOCK TX 79414

Dear Ms. Jones:

You have successfully completed your term of probation as stipulated by the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners.

All pertinent information will remain in your permanent records. We urge you in the future to promote and uphold the ethical standards a Licensed Vocational Nurse should practice.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn Hudson".

Carolyn Hudson  
Investigator

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