

Respondent's professional employment history continued:

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| 06/2005 - 8/2008 | RN | Harris Methodist Hospital (THR) Fort Worth, Texas |
| 09/2008 - 1/2009 | Unknown | |
| 2/2009 - 8/2009 | RN | Weatherford Regional Medical Center Weatherford, Texas |
| 9/2009 | Unknown | |
| 10/2009 - Present | RN | Angels of Care Pediatric Home Health Sherman, Texas |

6. On or about December 13, 2010, Respondent plead guilty to the offense of "Driving While Intoxicated," a Misdemeanor (committed on July 3, 2010) in the County Court at Law #2 of Parker County, Texas, under cause number CCL2-10-0637. Respondent was sentenced to one hundred eighty (180) days confinement in the Parker County Jail. The imposition of the confinement was suspended and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of twenty-four (24) months, and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.
7. On or about June 28, 2011, Respondent lacked fitness to practice professional nursing in that she submitted a License Renewal Form to the Texas Board of Nursing in which she answered "yes" to the following question: "In the past 5 years, have you been addicted or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug? (You may answer "no" if you have completed and/or are in compliance with TPAPN)" Respondent's condition could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patients in potential danger.
8. On or about July 12, 2011, Respondent plead guilty to the offense of "Possession of a Controlled Substance, namely Morphine, of less than 1 gram," a State Jail Felony (committed on July 3, 2010) in the 43rd Judicial District Court of Parker County, Texas, under cause number CR11-0033. Adjudication of guilt was deferred and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of four (4) years, and ordered to pay a fine, court costs, and restitution.
9. In response to the conduct outlined in Finding of Fact Numbers Six (6) and Seven (7), Attorney Matthew McConahay states that with respect to the allegations made against Respondent, she admits that she was arrested for the offenses referenced in the notice letter. However, at this time, they respectfully decline to admit or deny whether or not there was a violation of the Nursing Practices Act. Attorney McConahay adds that Respondent has voluntarily self-referred to TPAPN, and will cooperate fully with any questions or concerns the Board may have.

10. Respondent, by her signature to this Order, expresses her desire to voluntarily surrender her license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
11. The Board policy implementing Rule 213.29 in effect on the date of this Agreed Order provides discretion by the Executive Director for consideration of conditional reinstatement after proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of abstinence from alcohol and drugs followed by licensure limitations/stipulations and/or peer assistance program participation.
12. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.

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)(3),(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(4),(5),(11)(B)&(13).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.453(a), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered License Number 714149, heretofore issued to CARRIE LEANNE ROWE, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Registered License Number 714149, heretofore issued to CARRIE LEANNE ROWE, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice professional nursing, use the title "registered nurse" or the abbreviation "RN" or wear any insignia identifying herself as a registered nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a registered nurse during the period in which the license is surrendered.
2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order; and, RESPONDENT has obtained objective, verifiable proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety immediately preceding the petition.
3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

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.

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

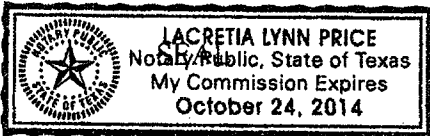
I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violations alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order, and any conditions of said Order, to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order becomes final when accepted by the Executive Director at which time the terms of this Order become effective and a copy will be mailed to me.

Signed this 8th day of December, 2011.

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CARRIE LEANNE ROWE, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of December, 2011.



Loretta Lynn Price

Notary Public in and for the State of TEXAS

Approved as to form and substance.

Matthew McConahay, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20__.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby accept the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 714149, previously issued to CARRIE LEANNE ROWE.

Effective this 19th day of December, 2011.



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