BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of

AGREED

Registered Nurse License Number 650720

issued to STEPHANIE CARR

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of STEPHANIE CARR, Registered Nurse License Number 650720, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. Art. 4525(b)(2)&(9) (eff. 9/1/97). Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on June 11, 2012, 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 Amarillo College, Amarillo, Texas, on December 1, 1997. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on May 26, 1998.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.
- 6. On or about October 28, 2009, Respondent's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas was issued the sanction of a REMEDIAL EDUCATION by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Agreed Order dated October 28, 2009, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.

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- 7. On or about December 17, 1997, Respondent submitted an Application for Initial Licensure for Graduates of Schools in the United States to the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in which Respondent provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that, she answered "No" to the question:
 - " Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than minor traffic violations."

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about November 22, 1978, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of THEFT OF THE VALUE OF OVER \$20 BUT LESS THAN \$200, a misdemeanor offense committed on September 14, 1978, in the County Court at Law, Potter County, Texas, under Cause No. 26248.

8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that she did not intentionally try to defraud the Board regarding this offense. It happened 38 years ago, and her record has been clean since. She was under the impression that after she served probation and paid the fine, the offense would be sealed because she was a juvenile at the time of the offense.

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(s) of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.13(17) (eff. 7/1/97).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. Art. 4525(b)(2)&(9) (eff. 9/1/97), to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 650720, heretofore issued to STEPHANIE CARR, 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 a 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 dollars (\$250). 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.texas.gov/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 violation(s) 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 and day of July	.20 /2
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STEPHANIE CARR, Respondent	

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of

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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 27th day of July , 2012, by STEPHANIE CARR, Registered Nurse License Number 650720, and said Order is final.



Effective this 10th day of August, 2012.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse

AGREED

License Number 650720 issued to STEPHANIE CARR

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ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of STEPHANIE CARR, Registered Nurse License Number 650720, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code. Section 302.402(a)(), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on October 6, 2009, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 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.
- 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 Amarillo College, Amarillo, Texas on December 1, 1997. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on May 26, 1998.

Respondent's professional nursing employment history includes:

1998-2000

Staff Nurse

Northwest Texas Healthcare

Amarillo, Texas

2000-2005

Registered Nurse

Daybreak

Denton, Texas

2005-2006

Registered Nurse V.A. Hospital Amarillo, Texas

2006-Present

Sedation Nurse

Northwest Texas Healthcare

Amarillo, Texas

- 6. At the time of the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent was employed as a Staff Nurse with Northwest Texas Healthcare, Amarillo, Texas, and had been in this position for approximately three (3) years.
- 7. On or about August 27, 2007, while employed with Northwest Texas Healthcare System, Amarillo, Texas, Respondent administered 50 mg Demerol intravenously push (IVP) to Patient #75103754, although patient informed Respondent that she was allergic to Demerol. Respondents action exposed said patient to the risk of harm in that she could have developed anaphylactic shock, to include: redness, swelling, and compromised airway.
- 8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that she administered a lawfully ordered medication in error. When realizing the patient had an allergy, Respondent contacted the physician, administered Benadryl as ordered, and continued to monitor the patient. Respondent adds that she then informed her supervisors, the patient, and the patient's family of the mistake. Respondent also educated the patient and the patient's family on the signs and symptoms of anaphylactic shock

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 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(C), and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B)&(4).
- 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 650720, heretofore issued to STEPHANIE CARR, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of REMEDIAL EDUCATION, 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 this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license is encumbered by this Order, Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a multistate licensure 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 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/disciplinarvaction/stipscourses.html.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order successfully complete a course in medication administration. 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. The didactic portion of this course shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The course shall contain a minimum twenty-four (24) hour

clinical component which is to be provided by the same Registered Nurse who provides the didactic portion of this course. The clinical component SHALL focus on tasks of medication administration only. In order for the course to be approved, the course's content shall include: a review of proper administration procedures for all standard routes; computation of drug dosages; the five (5) rights of medication administration; factors influencing the choice of route; and possible adverse effects resulting from improper administration. The course description shall indicate goals and objectives for the course, resources to be utilized, and the methods to be used to determine successful completion of the course. RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete both the didactic and clinical portions of the course to satisfy this stipulation. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the instructor 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 following Board website 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 and RESPONDENT shall be eligible for multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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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 26th day of october, 2009, by STEPHANIE CARR, Registered Nurse License Number 650720, and said Order is final.

Effective this

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Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN Executive Director on behalf

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