



In the Matter of \$ AGREED

Vocational Nurse License Number 170417 §

issued to CHRISTINE BERNADETTE HARMONING § ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of CHRISTINE BERNADETTE HARMONING, Vocational Nurse License Number 170417, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was provided to 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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Northland Technical College, Thief River Falls, Minnesota, on March 1, 1996. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on December 9, 1998.
- 5. Respondent's complete vocational nursing employment history is unknown.
- 6. On or about April 12, 2012, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty and was convicted of INTOXICATION ASSAULT, (a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Felony offense committed on September 2, 2011), in the 221<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Court of Montgomery County, Texas, under Cause No.

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Executive Director of the Board

11-09-09773-CR. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to ten (10) years confinement in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, Institutional Division, with the imposition of the sentence suspended, and Respondent was placed on Community Supervision for a period of five (5) years. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to serve thirty (30) days in the Montgomery County Jail, and pay a fine and court costs.

- 7. Formal Charges were filed on July 17, 2012.
- 8. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on July 18, 2012.
- 9. Respondent, by her signature to this Order, expresses her desire to voluntarily surrender her license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

### **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 §217.12(13).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 170417, heretofore issued to CHRISTINE BERNADETTE HARMONING, 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.

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### **ORDER**

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Vocational Nurse License Number 170417, heretofore issued to CHRISTINE BERNADETTE HARMONING, 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 vocational nursing, use the title "vocational nurse" or the abbreviation "LVN" or wear any insignia identifying herself as a vocational nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a vocational 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.
- 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 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 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 7th day of Quaus 1,2012

CHRISTINE BERNADETTE HARMONING, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this  $\frac{7}{1}$  day of  $\frac{20}{1}$ .

**SEAL** 



Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby accept the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 170417, previously issued to CHRISTINE BERNADETTE HARMONING.



Effective this 10th day of August, 20 12.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board