

IN THE MATTER OF  
PERMANENT REGISTERED NURSE  
LICENSE NUMBER 791402  
ISSUED TO  
CHRISTOPHER JAMES ALLEN

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BEFORE THE TEXAS  
BOARD OF NURSING  
  
ELIGIBILITY AND  
DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

**ORDER OF THE BOARD**

TO: CHRISTOPHER JAMES ALLEN  
PO BOX 12658  
EL PASO, TX 79913

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on August 14, 2012, the Texas Board of Nursing Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case, based on the failure of the Respondent to appear as required by 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

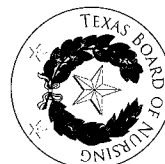
The Committee finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458, Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely Notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.

The Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This Order



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.  
*Patricia Williams*  
Executive Director of the Board

will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing [22 TEX. ADMIN.CODE § 213.16(j)]. All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that , Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 791402 previously issued to CHRISTOPHER JAMES ALLEN, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is/are hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 14th day of August, 2012.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment: Formal Charges filed May 31, 2012.

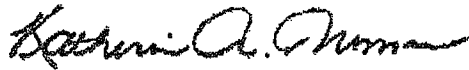


Re: , Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 791402  
Issued to CHRISTOPHER JAMES ALLEN  
DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 7th day of August, 2012, a true and correct copy of the foregoing  
DEFAULT ORDER was served by placement in the U.S. Mail via certified mail, and addressed to  
the following person(s):

CHRISTOPHER JAMES ALLEN  
PO BOX 12658  
EL PASO, TX 79913



BY:

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KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN

In the Matter of Permanent License	§	BEFORE THE TEXAS
Number 791402 and Privilege to Practice	§	
from Arizona Registered Nurse License	§	
Number RN140096, Issued to	§	
CHRISTOPHER JAMES ALLEN, Respondent	§	BOARD OF NURSING

### FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, CHRISTOPHER JAMES ALLEN, holding Privilege to Practice from Arizona Registered Nurse License Number RN140096, which is in current status at the time of this pleading and is a Registered Nurse in the State of Texas holding license number 791402, which is in MSR License - TX Invalid status at the time of this pleading.

Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged to warrant adverse licensure action was sent to Respondent at Respondent's address of record and Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license prior to commencement of this proceeding.

#### CHARGE I.

On or about October 2, 2007, Respondent failed to repay his Texas Guaranteed Student Loan, as provided in Section 57.491 of the Texas Education Code. Respondent's failure to repay his Texas Guaranteed Student Loan may have deprived other applicants of funds for nursing school loans.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(7).

#### CHARGE II.

On or about July 8, 2010 through August 23, 2010, while employed with St. Joseph Medical Center, Houston, Texas, Respondent withdrew medications from the Pyxis Medication Dispensing System, for patients, but failed to document and/or accurately document the administration of the medications in the patients' Medication Administration Record (MAR), as follows:

Date/Time	Patient	Physician's Order	Pyxis Record	MAR	Wastage
7/8/10 @ 9:01pm	LM	Darvocat-N100 1 tab PO QID PRN pain	Propoxyphene 1 tab	No	No waste
7/9/10 @ 5:01am	LM	same as above	Propoxyphene 1 tab	No	No waste
7/28/10 @ 8:01pm	DM	Ambien 15mg PO Q HS	Zolpidem 10mg	2100 15mg	No waste
7/28/10 @ 8:02pm	DM	same as above	Zolpidem 5mg	2100	No waste

7/28/10 @ 8:05pm	DM	same as above	Zolpidem 5mg	No	No waste
7/28/10 @ 10:37pm	MS	Ambien 5mg PO HS PRN insomnia	Ambien 5mg	No	No waste
7/28/10 @10:23pm	GC	Norco 10/325 1 tab PO Q 8 hrs PRN pain	Norco 10/325mg	No	No waste
8/23/10 @ 8:50pm	JM	Seroquel 200mg PO Q AM Seroquel 600mg PO Q HS	Seroquel 200mg	2100 600mg	No waste
8/23/10 @ 8:20pm	JH	Seroquel 400mg PO Q HS Seroquel 50mg PO Q 4hrs PRN anxiety	2 - Seroquel 400mg	2100 600mg 1245 50mg 0200 50mg	No waste
8/23/10 @ 9:05pm	GD	Risperidone 5mg PO QHS	Risperdal 1mg	2100 4mg	No waste
8/23/10 @ 9:01pm	MN	Temazepam 60mg 2 tabs 30mg QHS	Tamezepam 30mg	No	No waste

Respondent's conduct above was likely to injure the patients in that subsequent care givers would rely on his documentation to further medicate the patient which could result in an over medication.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§217.11(1)(A)&(1)(D) and 217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C),(4)&(10)(B).

### CHARGE III.

On or about July 8, 2010 through August 23, 2010, while employed with St. Joseph Medical Center, Houston, Texas, Respondent withdrew Ambien, Darvocet, Norco, Temazepam and Seroquel from the Pyxis Medication Dispensing System for Patients MN, DM, GC and MS, but failed to follow the policy and procedure for the wastage. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the hospital pharmacy and place them in violation of Chapters 481 and 483 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act and Dangerous Drug Act).

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B), (4),(10)(C)&(11)(B).

### CHARGE IV.

On or about July 28, 2010, while employed with St. Joseph Medical Center, Houston, Texas, Respondent lacked fitness to practice in that while on duty Respondent looked sedated, lethargic, walked with an unsteady gait, had trouble concentrating, and had trouble with the pyxis. Respondent disclosed to his supervisor that he had been diagnosed with temporal lobe epilepsy or psychomotor seizures, that he was not sleeping well, and his medications were making him drowsy. Respondent's

conduct could have affected his ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in the patient's condition, and could have affected his ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(E)&(5).

#### CHARGE V.

On or about August 23, 2010, while employed with St. Joseph Medical Center, Houston, Texas, Respondent lacked fitness to practice in that while on duty Respondent reported to his supervisor that he was not feeling well and was dizzy. He made incorrect entries in patient records and had several medication errors. Respondent's conduct could have affected his ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in the patient's condition, and could have affected his ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(E)&(5).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license/s to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301, Texas Occupations Code and the Board's rules, 22 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 213.27 - 213.33. Additionally, staff will seek to impose on Respondent the administrative costs of the proceeding pursuant to Section 301.461, Texas Occupations Code. The cost of proceedings shall include, but is not limited to, the cost paid by the Board to the State Office of Administrative Hearings and the Office of the Attorney General or other Board counsel for legal and investigative services, the cost of a court reporter and witnesses, reproduction of records, Board staff time, travel, and expenses. These shall be in an amount of at least one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200.00).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at the Board's website, [www.bon.texas.gov](http://www.bon.texas.gov).

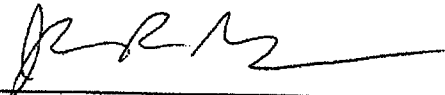
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NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, which can be found at [www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/discp-matrix.html](http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/discp-matrix.html).

Filed this 31 day of May, 2012.

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