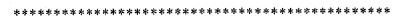
BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of Vocational Nurse

AGREED

License Number 159264

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issued to TIFFANY DESHON HAGAN

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of TIFFANY DESHON HAGAN, Vocational Nurse License Number 159264, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(2),(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on May 9, 2012, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, subject to ratification by the Board.

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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Nursing from Victoria College Yoakum Extension, Yoakum, Texas on August 9, 1996. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on September 24, 1996.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

10/1996 - 11/2008

Unknown

12/2008 - 9/2009

Vocational Nurse

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Executive Director of the Board

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

10/2009 - 11/2009 Unknown

12/2009 - 1/2010 Vocational Nurse Yoakum Nursing & Rehab

Yoakum, Texas

2/2010 - 5/2010 Vocational Nurse Hallesttsville Rehab & Nursing Center

Hallesttsville, Texas

6/2010 - Present Unknown

6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Vocational Nurse with Hallettsville Rehab & Nursing Center, Hallettsville, Texas, and had been in this position for three (3) months.

- 7. On or about November 9, 2000, Respondent was convicted of Driving While License Suspended, a Class B Misdemeanor offense committed on October 12, 2000, in the Lavaca County Court, Hallettsville, Texas, under cause number 17387. Respondent was sentenced to one hundred eighty (180) days probation and ordered to pay court cost.
- 8. On or about January 31, 2001, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form to the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in which she provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that Respondent answered "no" to the following question:

"Were you convicted of a misdemeanor other than a minor traffic violation since your last renewal?"

Respondent failed to disclose that on November 9, 2000, she was convicted of Driving While License Suspended in the Lavaca County Court, Hallettsville, Texas, under cause number 17387. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the Board and could have affected the decision to issue a license.

- 9. On or about February 22, 2007, Respondent plead Nolo Contendere to Theft of Property by Check, a Class B Misdemeanor offense committed on August 11, 2006, in the Lavaca County Court, Hallettsville, Texas, under cause number 20234. Adjudication of guilt was deferred and Respondent was placed on Community Supervision for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days.
- On or about October 25, 2007, Respondent's Probation was Revoked by the Lavaca County Court, Hallettsville, Texas, under cause number 20234.

- 11. On or about January 31, 2007, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form 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 following question:
 - "Have you ever been convicted, place on community supervision whether or not adjudicated guilty, sentenced to serve jail or prison time or granted pretrial diversion, or plead guilty, no contest or nolo contendere to any crime in any state, territory or country, or received a court order whether or not sentenced was imposed, including any pending criminal charges or unresolved arrests whether or not on appeal (excluding minor Class C traffic violations)? This includes expunged offenses and deferred adjudications with or without a finding of guilt."

Respondent failed to disclose that on November 1, 2006, she was issued a Deferred Adjudication Order for the offense of Theft of Property by Check, a Class B Misdemeanor offense committed on August 11, 2006, in the Lavaca County Court, Hallettsville, Texas, under cause number 20234. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the Board and could have affected the decision to issue a license.

- 12. On or about July 9, 2009, Respondent plead Guilty and was convicted of Theft by Check, (a Class A Misdemeanor Offense committed May 27, 2009), in the Dewitt County Court, Cuero, Texas, under cause number 2009-16162. Respondent was sentenced to one (1) year probation and ordered to pay a fine and court cost.
- 13. On January 27, 2011, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form to the Texas Board of Nursing in which Respondent provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that Respondent answered "no" to the following question:

Have you, within the past 24 months or since your last renewal, for any criminal offense, including those pending appeal:

- A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
- B. been convicted of a felony?
- C. pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
- D. received deferred adjudication?
- E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
- F. been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? court-ordered confinement?
- G. been granted pre-trial diversion?
- H. been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?
- I. been cited or charged with any violation of the law?
- J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?

Respondent failed to disclose that on July 9, 2009, she was convicted of Theft by Check, (a Class A Misdemeanor Offense committed May 27, 2009), in the Dewitt County Court, Cuero, Texas, under cause number 2009-16162. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the Board and could have affected the decision to issue a license.

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)(2),(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(6)(I)&(13).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 159264, heretofore issued to TIFFANY DESHON HAGAN, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS & 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 Texas Board of Nursing 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 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.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete the course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills," a 3.6 contact hour online program provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Learning Extension. In order

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to receive credit for completion of this program, RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within ninety (90) 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.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A NURSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, RESPONDENT WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR OTHER CLINICAL SETTING AND RESPONDENT MUST WORK IN SUCH SETTING A MINIMUM OF SIXTY-FOUR (64) HOURS PER MONTH UNDER THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS FOR ONE (1) YEAR OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE STIPULATION PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH TWELVE (12) MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT OR OF EMPLOYMENT THAT DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF A REGISTERED NURSE (RN) OR A VOCATIONAL NURSE (LVN) LICENSE, AS APPROPRIATE, WILL NOT APPLY TO THIS STIPULATION PERIOD:

(4) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT'S license(s). RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each present employer within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT

SHALL notify all future employers in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT'S license(s). RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each future employer prior to accepting an offer of employment.

- (5) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
- (6) RESPONDENT SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Direct supervision requires another nurse, as applicable, to be working on the same unit as RESPONDENT and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. RESPONDENT SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). The RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
- (7) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board, periodic reports as to RESPONDENT'S capability to practice nursing. These reports shall be completed by the nurse who supervises the RESPONDENT. These reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) month period for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.

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.

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 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 is subject to ratification by the Board. When this Order is ratified, the terms of this Order become effective, and 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 3rd day of July , 2012.

TINE NY DESHON HAGAN, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of July , 20 12

SEAL

MANCY A. CHUMCHAL Notary Public State of Texas Comm. Expires 11-29-2012 Manay & Chumchal

Notary Public in and for the State of **LEXAS**

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 3rd day of July, 2012, by TIFFANY DESHON HAGAN, Vocational Nurse License Number 159264, and said Order is final.

Effective this 14th day of August, 2012.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board