IN THE MATTER OF	§	BEFORE THE ELIGIBILITY
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE	8 8	AND DISCIPLINARY
NUMBER 681407	\$ \$	COMMITTEE
ISSUED TO	§ §	OF THE TEXAS
EDWARD LYNN STJOHN	§ §	BOARD OF NURSING

ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: Edward Lynn St. John 3417 N. Midland Dr. #1705 Midland, TX 79707

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on August 14, 2012, the 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 of the Texas Board of Nursing 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 to practice professional 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 Eligibility and Disciplinary 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 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 Certificate Number 681407.

previously issued to EDWARD LYNN STJOHN, to practice professional nursing in the State of

Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse

licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 14th day of August, 2012.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment:

Formal Charge filed May 9, 2012.

Re: Permanent Certificate Number 681407 Issued to EDWARD LYNN STJOHN DEFAULT ORDER -REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 16 day of AUGUST, 2012, a true and correct
opy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served by placement in the U.S. Mail via certified
nail, and addressed to the following person(s):
dward Lynn St. John

Edward Lynn St. John

3417 N. Midland Dr. #1705

Midland, TX 79707

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

In the Matter of Permanent License	§	BEFORE THE TEXAS
Number 681407, Issued to	§	
EDWARD LYNN ST. JOHN, Respondent	§	BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, EDWARD LYNN ST. JOHN, is a Registered Nurse holding license number 581407, which is in current 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 7, 2008, Respondent defaulted on his Texas Guaranteed Student Loan. Respondent exhibited unprofessional conduct in his failure to repay his Texas Guaranteed Student Loan, which may have deprived other students of funds necessary for their educational programs.

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 April 28, 2011, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form to the Texas Board of Nursing in which he answered "Yes" to the 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 any pending criminal charges?
- I. been <u>cited</u> 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 disclosed that on or about March 16, 2011, Respondent pled Not Guilty and was found Guilty by Jury Verdict of BURGLARY OF A HABITATION, a 2nd Degree Felony offense committed on October 19, 2009, in the 441st Judicial District Court, Midland County, Texas, under Cause No. CR37352. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for a period of four (4) years; however, imposition of the sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of four (4) years.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(13).

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.

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NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on Adopted Disciplinary Guidelines for Criminal Conduct and on Adopted Disciplinary Sanction Policies for Fraud, Theft and Deception, which can be found at the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

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.

Filed this day of May, 20 12

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