BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Vocational Nurse

§ AGREED

License Number 183837

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issued to MARGARET ANN WHITE

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board considered the matter of MARGARET ANN WHITE, Vocational Nurse License Number 183837, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(2)&(8), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on July 6, 2011, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, 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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Galen Health Institute, San Antonio, Texas on January 23, 2002. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on March 1, 2002.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

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Staff LVN

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Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

08/2002 to 08/2003	Staff LVN	Air Force Village Foundation San Antonio, Texas
08/2003 to 08/2005	Staff LVN	Vitas Hospice San Antonio, Texas
03/2004 to 07/2004	Staff LVN	Wrangell Health Care Center Wrangell, Alaska
08/2005 to 10/2005	Volunteer	Kelly USA/Katrina San Antonio, Texas
11/2005 to 03/2006	Staff LVN	Norton Samuel Hospital Nome, Alaska
03/2006 to 11/2007	Not employed	d in Nursing
11/2007 to 03/2008	Staff LVN	Resalene Staffing Big Sky, Montana
03/2008 to 08/2008	Staff LVN	Median Valley LTG & Rehab Casterville, Texas
08/2008 to 02/2010	Staff LVN	Angel Staffing San Antono, Texas
02/2010 to 06/2010	Staff LVN	Nurses Etc. San Antonio, Texas

6. On or about July 16, 2009, while holding a license as a Vocational Nurse in the State of Texas, Respondent received a Final Order by Default from the Board of Nursing, Department of Labor and Industry, State of Montana wherein Respondent's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Montana received a public reprimand and educational requirements by default. On or about April 14, 2010, Respondent's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Montana was Suspended Indefinitely for failure to comply with the Default Order issued by the State of Montana on July 16, 2009. A copy of the Final Order by Default issued by the Montana Board of Nursing dated July 16, 2009 is attached and incorporated by reference as a part of this pleading.

7. On or about May 29, 2011, Respondent submitted a renewal application to the Texas Board of Nursing - Online Renewal Document, Licensed Vocational Nurse in which she provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that she answered "no" to the following question:

"Has any licensing authority refused to issue you a license or ever revoked, annulled, cancelled, accepted surrender of, suspended, placed on probation, refused to renew a nursing licensee, certificate or multi-state privilege held by you now or previously, or ever fined, censured, reprimanded or otherwise disciplined you?"

On or about July 16, 2009, Respondent received a Final Order by Default from the Board of Nursing, Department of Labor and Industry, State of Montana and on or about April 14, 2010, Respondent's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Montana was Suspended Indefinitely. Respondent's conduct may have affected the Board's decision to license Respondent as a nurse.

8. In response to Findings of Fact Numbers Seven (7) and Eight (8), Respondent states that she received letters from the State of Montana instructing her to complete courses. Respondent states she completed some of the courses but could not find specific ones in the San Antonio area. Respondent further states that she later received a letter from the State of Montana informing her that her Montana License was Suspended.

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)&(8), Texas Occupations Code and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(6)(I).
- 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 183837, heretofore issued to MARGARET ANN WHITE, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of 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, 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 <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. 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 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 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. Information regarding Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board we bsite address:

 http://www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.
- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00). 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.

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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 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 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 _t day of Oct ____, 2011.

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MARGARET ANN WHITE Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

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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 4th day of October, 2011, by MARGARET ANN WHITE, Vocational Nurse License Number 183837, and said Order is final.



Effective this 11th day of October, 2011.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN Executive Director on behalf of said Board

Anjeanette C. Lindle DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY Office of Legal Services 301 South Park Avenue P.O. Box 200513 Helena, MT 59620-0513 Phone: (406)841-2318 5 6 7 BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY 8 STATE OF MONTANA 9 IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY Docket No. CC-09-0222-NUR TREATMENT OF THE LICENSE OF: 11 Complaint No. 2008-0129-NUR Margaret Ann White, LPN NOTICE OF PROPOSED License No. 35401 BOARD ACTION AND 13 **OPPORTUNITY FOR** HEARING 14 15 TO: Margaret Ann White 158 Paradise Valley 16 San Antonio, TX 78227 17 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT: 18 The Screening Panel of the Board of Nursing of the State of Montana (Screening Panel) met to review all documentation regarding the complaint against you in case number 2008-0129-20 NUR. The Screening Panel found reasonable cause to believe that you have violated Title 37, Chapter 1, Part 3 of the Montana Code Annotated and Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 22 Title 24, Chapter 159, Subchapter 2301. Such violations justify disciplinary sanctions to be 23 imposed against your Montana license. The Board of Nursing (Board) has such authority pursuant 24 to Montana Code Annotated §§37-1-307, 37-1-316, 37-8-101, 37-8-202 and ARM 24.159.2301. 25 The Screening Panel has reason to believe that you committed the following violations: 26 -Unprofessional conduct consisting of conduct that does not meet the generally accepted standards of practice, in violation of §37-1-316(18) Mont. Code Ann., and 27 28 Notice of Proposed Board Action and Opportunity for Hearing

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-Unprofessional conduct consisting of failing to follow policies or procedures defined in the practice situation to safeguard patient care, in violation of A.R.M. 24.159.2301(2)(c).

THEREFORE, pursuant to Montana Code Annotated §37-1-307, the Board proposes to impose against you one or more of the sanctions authorized under Montana Code Annotated §37-1-312.

REASONS FOR ACTION

There is reasonable cause to believe that the following assertions will be proven and will justify the imposition of sanctions against your license.

FACTUAL ASSERTIONS

- 1. Margaret Ann White, LPN (Licensee) is licensed by the Montana Board of Nursing to practice as a licensed practical nurse, holding Montana License number 35401.
- 2. On March 28, 2008, the Montana Board of Nursing received a complaint against the Licensee from Lori Henderson, Administrator of Northern Montana Care Center in Havre, Montana, alleging that the Licensee abandoned her shift without reasonable cause or notice, in violation of facility policies and procedures.
- 3. According to the complaint, the Licensee was contracted to work at Northern Montana Care Center through Resolve Staffing.
- 4. According to the complaint, the Licensee was scheduled to work the night shift at Northern Montana Care Center on March 5, 2008. The Licensee clocked in a 5:43 that evening, and checked out at 5:53. Ms. Henderson states that Licensee did not like the staffing levels and refused to work.
- 5. Ms. Henderson further states in the complaint that the Licensee became argumentative when the Staff Development Coordinator told her the staffing was appropriate. The Coordinator corroborated this in a subsequent board-ordered investigation into the matter.
- 6. Ms. Henderson additionally conveys that when the Licensee called her, Ms. Henderson asked her to come back and talk with her. The Licensee refused and stated that her back had been hurting for several days & that "she was calling off sick." Ms. Henderson then

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reminded the Licensee about the facility's sick leave policy and "that it was unacceptable to not give proper notice so that a replacement could be found..." Licensee did not return to the facility. to complete her shift.

- 7. Ms. Henderson states that on the following morning (March 6, 2008), Resolve Staffing was notified of Licensee's actions and that her contract with Northern Montana Care Center was terminated, and "we will not rehire Margaret White due to her unprofessional conduct and lack of accountability."
- The Rules and Regulations for Northern Montana Care Center state, "If an employee is unable to be on duty as scheduled, he is required to notify the Department Manager at least one (1) hour before the scheduled starting time."
- 9. The Rules and Regulations also state, "An employee may not leave his/her 12 assigned duties until the scheduled day is complete."
- 10. The Travel Nurse Handbook for Select Nursing Services, Inc., the company who 14 has acquired certain assets of Resolve Staffing, includes the following provisions:
 - "Canceling shifts creates hardships on our customers. However, we realize that from time to time...situations beyond your control arise and it becomes necessary to cancel a shift. We ask that you give as much advance notice as possible. The earlier you can advise of your absence, the better."
 - "This listing is not all-inclusive and shall not be deemed to restrict or deny the company the right to discipline or dismiss its employees for reasons not included: Leaving work without permission...."
 - 11. Licensee sent a written response to the complaint on April 10, 2008, in which she admits to leaving the facility without working her shift or giving adequate notice, explaining she was used to have two aids (CNAs) assigned to her on the shift, but on this shift was only assigned one. Licensee states that the CNA was 4' 10" tall, 97 pounds, and "very inexperienced." Licensee asserts that when she attempted to explain the situation to the Staff Development Coordinator, she refused to listen.

1	12. Accordingly, the Screening Panel of the Board of Nursing directed that this forma
2	Notice of Proposed Board Action and Opportunity for Hearing be served upon Margaret Ann
3	White, LPN pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. §37-1-309.
4	ASSERTIONS OF LAW
5	1. The information contained in the fact assertions herein indicate that Margaret Ann
6	White, LPN, has committed unprofessional conduct.
7	2. According to Montana law, the following is unprofessional conduct for a licensee
8	or license applicant:
9 10	Conduct that does not meet the generally accepted standards of practice. §37-1-316(18) Mont. Code Ann., and
11	- Failing to follow policies or procedures defined in the practice situation to safeguard patient care. A.R.M. 24.159.2301(2)(c).
12	3. As a result of the above information and an investigation into the complaint, the
13	Board's Screening Panel heard the above matter, determined that there is reasonable cause to
14	believe that you have violated a statute or rule justifying disciplinary sanctions to be imposed
15	against your Montana license and so moved to serve you this formal Notice of Proposed Board
16	Action and Opportunity for Hearing.
17	UNIFORM PROFESSIONAL LICENSING AND REGULATION PROCEDURE
18	You are advised that the law provides:
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20	MCA 37-1-309. Notice — request for hearing. (1) If a reasonable cause determination is made pursuant to 37-1-307 that a violation of
21	this part has occurred, a notice must be prepared by department legal staff and served on the alleged violator. The notice may be served by certified mail to the current address on file with the
22	board or by other means authorized by the Montana Rules of Civil Procedure. The notice may no allege a violation of a particular statute, rule, or standard unless the board or the board's screening
23	panel, if one has been established, has made a written determination that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the particular statute, rule, or standard has been violated.
24	(2) A licensee or license applicant shall give the board the licensee's or applicant's current address and any change of address within 30 days of the change.
25	(3) The notice must state that the licensee or license applicant may request a hearing to
26	contest the charge or charges. A request for a hearing must be in writing and received in the offices of the department within 20 days after the licensee's receipt of the notice. Failure to request a hearing constitutes a default on the charge or showers and the heard may enter a
27	request a hearing constitutes a default on the charge or charges, and the board may enter a decision on the basis of the facts available to it.
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(1) Upon a decision that a licensee or license applicant has violated this part or is unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety due to a physical or mental condition or upon stipulation of the parties as provided in subsection (3), the board may issue an order providing for one or any combination of the following sanctions:

revocation of the license;

suspension of the license for a fixed or indefinite term;

restriction or limitation of the practice;

(b) (b) (d) satisfactory completion of a specific program of remedial education or treatment; monitoring of the practice by a supervisor approved by the disciplining authority;

censure or reprimand, either public or private;

compliance with conditions of probation for a designated period of time;

payment of a fine not to exceed \$1,000 for each violation. Fines must be deposited in the state general fund.

denial of a license application:

refund of costs and fees billed to and collected from a consumer.

A sanction may be totally or partly stayed by the board. To determine which sanctions are appropriate, the board shall first consider the sanctions that are necessary to protect or compensate the public. Only after the determination has been made may the board consider and include in the order any requirements designed to rehabilitate the licensee or license applicant.

The licensee or license applicant may enter into a stipulated agreement resolving potential or pending charges that includes one or more of the sanctions in this section. The

stipulation is an informal disposition for the purposes of 2-4-603.

A licensee shall surrender a suspended or revoked license to the board within 24 hours after receiving notification of the suspension or revocation by mailing it or delivering it personally to the board.

MCA 2-4-631(3). Licenses.

Whenever notice is required, no revocation, suspension, annulment, withdrawal, or amendment of any license is lawful unless the agency gave notice by mail to the licensee of facts or conduct which warrant the intended action. If the agency finds that public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action and incorporates a finding to that effect in its order, summary suspension of a license may be ordered pending proceedings for revocation or other action. These proceedings shall be promptly instituted and determined.

STATEMENT OF RIGHTS

You are entitled to a hearing, promptly instituted and determined, as provided for by the Montana Administrative Procedure Act (2-4-601, MCA, and following, including 2-4-631, MCA) and by 37-1-121(1), MCA. You have a right to be represented by an attorney at such hearing and during related proceedings. If you desire to have a hearing and to resist the proposed action taken under the jurisdiction of the Board, you must so advise Becky Carter, Director of Compliance, Department of Labor and Industry, 301 South Park, P.O. Box 200513, Helena, Montana 59620-0513, in writing within twenty (20) days of your receipt of this Notice.

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POSSIBILITY OF DEFAULT

Failure to give notice or to advise the Board of your request for a hearing within the time specified will result in the entry of a default order pursuant to §37-1-309, MCA, and the Board may enter a decision, imposing any of the sanctions found in §37-1-312, MCA, on the basis of the facts available to it without additional prior notice to you.

DATED: 5/4/09

Anjeanette C. Lindle
Attorney for Department of Labor & Industry

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	License No. 35401	}	OF DEFAULT	
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i	TO: THE BOARD OF NURSING			
	Please enter the default of Respondent/L	icensee, l	Margaret Ann White, LPN, with	1
	respect to the Notice of Proposed Board Action	and Oppo	ortunity for Hearing filed and	
	served in the above-entitled matter, pursuant to l	Mont. Co	de Ann. §37-1-309(3), because	of
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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

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6	License No. 35401 SUSAN C. PETERS			
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8	STATE OF MONTANA)			
9	LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY) ss.			
10	I, Susan C. Peters, being first duly sworn, depose and say as follows:			
11	1. I am a citizen of the United States, over the age of eighteen years, a resident of			
12	Lewis and Clark County, Montana, by profession an employee of the Montana Department			
13	of Labor and Industry (the Department), and Legal Secretary for the Office of Legal			
14	Services.			
15	2. I am familiar with the procedural history of this case and have personal knowledge			
16	of the same.			
17	3. On May 6, 2009, the Department duly served Margaret Ann White,			
18	Respondent/Licensee, with a copy of the Notice of Proposed Board Action and Opportunity			
19	for Hearing, Docket number CC-09-0222-NUR, by certified mail receipt #7007 1490 0005			
20	0568 9807. The Notice provided a statement of rights which contained a specific notice to			
21	Respondent/Licensee that she was required to submit a written request for a hearing within			
22	twenty days of the date on which she received the Notice in order to preserve her right to			
23	challenge the proposed action under the jurisdiction of the Board of Nursing. More than			
24	twenty days have passed since service of the Notice and no request for hearing has been			
25	received. Respondent/Licensee has failed to plead or otherwise defend as provided in the			
26	Montana Code Annotated.			
27	4. I am informed and verily believe and upon such information and belief state that			

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Margaret Ann White is not now an incompetent person or minor and was not such when the instant action was commenced; further, that Margaret Ann White is not now a member of the military or naval services of the United States, nor has she been a member thereof within six months preceding commencement of this action.

5. As Legal Secretary for the Office of Legal Services, I request that the default of Margaret Ann White be duly entered with respect to the Notice of Proposed Board Action filed and served in this matter.

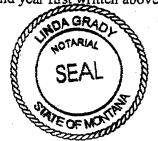
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

DATED this 29 day of may, 2009

Susan C. Peters

On this 29 day of 000, 2009, before me, a Notary Public for the State of Montana, personally appeared Susan C. Peters, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, that the same is true and correct and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first written above.



Notary Public for the State of Montana

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED DISCIPLINARY TREATMENT OF THE LICENSE OF Margaret Ann White, LPN

License No. 35401

Docket No. CC-09-0222-NUR Complaint No. 2008-0129-NUR

ORDER GRANTING ENTRY OF DEFAULT

On May 6, 2009, the Department duly served Respondent/Licensee, Margaret Ann White, LPN by Certified Mail, receipt # 7007 1490 0005 0568 9807 with a Notice of Proposed Board Action and Opportunity for Hearing, Docket No. CC-09-0222-NUR. The Notice provided a statement of rights which contained a specific notice to Respondent/Licensee that she was required to submit a written request for a hearing within twenty days of the date on which she received the Notice in order to preserve her right to challenge the proposed action under the jurisdiction of the Board of Nursing. More than twenty days have passed since service of the Notice and no request for hearing has been received. The Department requested entry of default on May 29, 2009.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the default of the Respondent/Licensee is entered for failure to request a hearing. For purposes of this order, the fact assertions contained in the Notice issued in the above-entitled matter are hereby adopted as the findings of fact and the conclusions of said Notice are adopted as the conclusions of law.

A final order providing for disposition of this matter will be subsequently entered.

DATED the 14h day of May 2009

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BECKY CARTEN COMPLIANCE SUPERVISOR DEPT. OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED DISCIPLINARY TREATMENT OF THE LICENSE OF Margaret Ann White, LPN

Docket No. CC-09-0222-NUR Complaint No. 2008-0129-NUR

License No. 35401

FINAL ORDER OF DEFAULT

On May 6, 2009 the Department duly served Respondent/Licensee, Margaret Ann White, LPN, by Certified Mail, receipt # 7007 1490 0005 0568 9807 with a Notice of Proposed Board Action and Opportunity for Hearing, Docket No. CC-09-0222-NUR. The Notice provided a statement of rights which contained a specific notice to Respondent/Licensee that she was required to submit a written request for a hearing within twenty days of the date on which she received the Notice in order to preserve her right to challenge the proposed action under the jurisdiction of the Board of Nursing.

More than twenty days have passed since service of the Notice and no request for hearing has been received. Accordingly, and upon the request of Department counsel on May 29, 2009, the Board issued an order granting entry of default.

For purposes of this order, the fact assertions and conclusions contained in the Notice of Proposed Board Action and Opportunity for Hearing issued in the above-entitled matter are hereby adopted by the Board and fully incorporated into this final order as the findings of fact and the conclusions of law.

Based upon Margaret Ann White's default for failing to request a hearing and the information presently before the Board, including the aforementioned findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Board enters the following:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Licensee/Respondent shall successfully complete the following courses offered by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) within sixty (60) days from the date of this Final Order:

"Ethics of Nursing Practice," and

"Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses."

FINAL ORDER OF DEFAULT

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In the event that any of the above courses are not available, Licensee/Respondent shall substitute another course in the same subject area for the unavailable course.

Licensee/Respondent shall have the instructor or course sponsor submit verification directly to the Board indicating successful completion of the courses described above.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Final Order shall serve as a public letter of reprimand as a result of the conduct alleged in the Notice of Proposed Board Action issued in this matter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Licensee/Respondent shall review and obey all laws and rules pertaining to the conduct of nurses in this state including the provisions of Title 37, Chapters 1 and 2 of the Montana Code Annotated and Title 24, Chapter 159, Subchapter 2301, of the Administrative Rules of Montana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Licensee/Respondent shall immediately provide a copy of the Notice and this Final Order issued in this case to her supervisor(s) at all of the places where she is employed or becomes employed which require a nursing license.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within ten (10) days of her date of hire/assignment, the Licensee/Respondent shall thoroughly read and review all nursing policies, procedures and rules in place at Licensee/Respondent's place of employment, as well as any other information which the Licensee/Respondent's immediate supervisor thinks would be helpful to the Licensee/Respondent.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Licensee/Respondent shall notify the Board of Nursing within ten (10) days of any change in employment, home address or name.

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that you have the right to request judicial review of this final order by filing a petition for judicial review within thirty days of service of this final order in a district court of the State of Montana, as provided in § 2-4-702, MCA.

DATED this day of	July)	, 2009.	
	By:		
	J.	PRESIDING OFFICER BOARD OF NURSING	

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 17th day of July, 2009, I served a true and accurate copy of the foregoing ORDER GRANTING ENTRY OF DEFAULT AND FINAL ORDER OF DEFAULT by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, upon the Licensee addressed as follows:

Margaret Ann White 158 Paradise Valley San Antonio TX 78227

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