IN THE MATTER OF	§ 8	BEFORE THE ELIGIBILITY
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE	\$ \$	AND DISCIPLINARY
NUMBERS 147744 AND 661472	. § . §	COMMITTEE
ISSUED TO	8 §	OF THE TEXAS
KAREN K. HAGAR	§ §	BOARD OF NURSING

ORDER OF THE BOARD

Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case, based on the failure

TO: Karen K. Hagar 4115 Dixon St. Big Spring, Texas 79720

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on September 13, 2011, the Eligibility and

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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 and vocational 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 Numbers 147744 and

661472, previously issued to KAREN K. HAGAR, to practice professional and vocational 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 and vocational nursing in the State of

Texas.

Entered this 13th day of September , 2011.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN. RN

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment:

Formal Charge filed June 29, 2011.

Re: Permanent Certificate Numbers 147744 and 661472 Issued to KAREN K. HAGAR DEFAULT ORDER -REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the <u>Stoplember</u>, 20<u>11</u>, 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):

Karen K. Hagar 4115 Dixon St. Big Spring, Texas 79720

BY:

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



Texas Board of Nursing

333 Guadalupe Street, Ste. 3-460, Austin, Texas 78701 Phone: (512) 305-7400 Fax: (512) 305-7401 www.bon.state.tx.us

> Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN Executive Director

June 29, 2011

Certified Mail No. 71 7199 9991 7030 3061 3249 Return Receipt Requested

Karen K. Hagar 4115 Dixon St. Big Spring, Texas 79720

Dear Ms. Hagar:

Enclosed are Formal Charges which have been filed against you alleging one or more violations of Section 301.452(b) of the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code. Within three weeks of the date of this letter, you must file a written answer to each charge admitting or denying each allegation. If you intend to deny only part of an allegation, you must specify so much of it as is true and deny only the remainder. Your answer shall also include any other matter, whether of law or fact, upon which you intend to rely for your defense. Please send your written answer to the attention of Veronica Franco, Investigator. You may obtain legal counsel at your own expense.

FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER TO THE FORMAL CHARGES, EITHER PERSONALLY OR BY LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE, WILL RESULT IN THE ALLEGATIONS CONTAINED IN THE FORMAL CHARGES BEING ADMITTED AS TRUE AND THE PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF WILL BE GRANTED BY DEFAULT.

Please be advised that should you fail to file a written answer, the case will proceed on a default basis and it will be staff's recommendation that a default order be entered revoking your license(s) and/or nurse licensure compact privilege(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

The results of any default order or formal disposition (Board Order) are public information. Results of informal and formal dispositions will appear in the Board's newsletter under the heading of "Disciplinary Action."

Should you desire to discuss this matter, you may contact Veronica Franco, Investigator, Enforcement Division, at the above address, or at (512) 305-7949.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN

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Executive Director

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Enclosure:

Formal Charges

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In the Matter of Vocational Nurse License	§	
Number 147744 and Registered Nurse License	§	BEFORE THE TEXAS
Number 661472, Issued to	§	
KAREN K. HAGAR, Respondent	§	BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, KAREN K. HAGAR, is a Vocational Nurse holding license number 147744, which is in Delinquent status at the time of this pleading and a Registered Nurse holding license number 661472, 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 May 15, 2009, while employed as a professional nurse with Big Spring State Hospital, Big Spring, Texas, Respondent verbally abused Patient Medical Record Number 49161 in that she called her a "bitch." Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that it exposed the patient unnecessarily to a risk of experiencing emotional and/or psychological harm.

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(4)&(6)(C).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to revocation of Respondent's license 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.state.tx.us.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, which can be found at www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/discp-matrix.html.

Filed this 29th day of Jane, 2011.

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> Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN Executive Director

September 16, 2011

Amy Clemmer, RN Big Spring State Hospital 1901 N. Hwy 87 Big Spring, Texas 79720

RE: Karen K. Hagar, LVN #147744 and RN #661472

Dear Ms. Clemmer:

Pursuant to Section 301.469, Texas Occupations Code, we are providing you with a copy of the Order of the Board issued by the Texas Board of Nursing to the above identified nurse on September 13, 2011.

Your endeavor to assist this agency in protecting the public is appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Enforcement at (512) 305-6838.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN

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Executive Director

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Enclosure:

Order of the Board

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