#### BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of
Vocational Nurse License Number 111183
issued to LORI DEAN HAND

# ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 111183, issued to LORI DEAN HAND, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.
- 3. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from John A. Logan Community College, Carterville, Illinois on December 1, 1983. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on September 16, 1985.
- 4. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

08/94 - 98 LVN Angelton Danbury Medical Center Angelton, TX

08/98 - 05/00 LVN NSI

Houston, TX

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Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

04/00 - 07/06	LVN	Medical Staffing Network Houston, TX
08/06 - 03/08	LPN	Southern Illinois Healthcare Carbondale, IL
08/08 - Present	LVN	CPS Staffing Houston, TX
08/09 - Present	LVN	Oakmont of Katy Nursing and Rehabilitation Katy, TX
12/09 - 03/12	LVN	Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital Katy, Texas

- 5. On or about May 10, 2012, Respondent was provided notice by the Board of the following alleged violations of the Nursing Practice Act of the State of Texas:
  - On or about April 25, 2011, while employed with Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital, Katy, Texas, Respondent removed medications from the facility medication dispensing system for patients but failed to accurately and completely document the administration of said medications in the patients' Medical Administration Record (MAR).
  - On or about April 25, 2011, while employed with Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital, Katy, Texas, Respondent withdrew medications from the medication dispensing system for patients, but failed to follow the policy and procedures for the wastage of unused portions of said medications.
  - On or about April 25, 2011, while employed with Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital, Katy, Texas, Respondent misappropriated medication belonging to the facility and patients thereof, or failed to take precautions to prevent such misappropriation.
  - On or about April 25, 2011, while employed with Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital, Katy, Texas, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of Morphine and Hydromorphone in that Respondent produced a drug screen which tested positive for Morphine and Hydromorphone.
  - On or about March 15, 2012, while employed with Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital, Katy, Texas, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of Morphine in that she produced a drug screen which tested positive for Morphine.

- 6. On August 27, 2012, the Board received a notarized statement from Respondent voluntarily surrendering the right to practice nursing in Texas. A copy of Respondent's notarized statement, dated August 25, 2012, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.
- 7. The Board policy implementing Rule 213.29 in effect on the date of this Agreed Order provides discretion by the Executive Director for consideration of conditional reinstatement after proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of abstinence from alcohol and drugs followed by licensure limitations/stipulations and/or peer assistance program participation.
- 8. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.

## **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 violation(s) of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1) (A), (B) & (D) and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A), (1)(B), (1)(C), (4), (6)(G), (8), (10)(A), (10)(C), (10)(D).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(9),(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 111183, heretofore issued to LORI DEAN HAND, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- 5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
- 6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
- 7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.452 (b), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TAC§§213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

## **ORDER**

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 111183, heretofore issued to LORI DEAN HAND, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

- 1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice vocational nursing, use the title of "vocational nurse" or the abbreviation "LVN" or wear any insignia identifying herself as a vocational nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a vocational nurse during the period in which the license is surrendered.
- 2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order; and, RESPONDENT has obtained objective, verifiable proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety immediately preceding the petition.
- 3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

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.

Effective this 10th day of September, 2012.

By:

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

of said Board

# LORI DEAN HAND 21500 Park Row Dr, Apt 1202 Katy, TX 77449 Vocational Nurse License Number 111183

Voluntary Surrender Statement

Dear Texas Board of Nursing:

I no longer desire to be licensed as a nurse. Accordingly, I voluntarily surrender my license(s) to practice in Texas.

I waive representation by counsel and consent to the entry of an Order which outlines requirements for reinstatement of my license. I understand that I may not petition for reinstatement until one (1) year from the effective date of the Order. I understand that I will be required to comply with the Board's Rules and Regulations in effect at the time I submit any petition for reinstatement.

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Vocational Nurse License Number 111183

The State of Texas

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared LORI DEAN HAND who, being duly sworn by me, stated that he or she executed the above for the purpose therein contained and that he or she understood same.

Sworn to before me the 25 day of Angus

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Notary Public in and for the State of Teles

