BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

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Executive Director of the Board

In the Matter of License Number 141989 Issued to: CAROLYN SUE WALTERS

On this day, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter refer to as the Board, considered the matter of CAROLYN SUE WALTERS, License Number 1419

hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Sections 301.303 and 301.452(b)(1), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Texas Administrative Code, ch. 237.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice, hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order offered by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director, on behalf of 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.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and consented to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent failed to make full and timely compliance with the Board's requirements for continuing education for the period ending 10/2004.

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. Evidence received was sufficient to prove violation of Sections 301.303 and 301.452(b)(1), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Texas Administrative Code §237.14.
- 4. Respondent's failure to comply with Continuing Education requirements is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against License Number 141989, heretofore issued to CAROLYN SUE WALTERS, including revocation of Respondent's vocational license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a Fine in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100), 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 Vocational Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 Texas Administrative Code, §211.01 et seq., and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that RESPONDENT SHALL submit, with this signed Agreed Order and the fine, documentation of successful completion of nineteen (19.0) Type I contact hours of continuing education. Documentation shall include copies of certificates of program attendance. These contact hours are to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure.

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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 violation 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 becomes final and effective when entered by the Executive Director and that 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 to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

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CAROLYN SUE WAL	TERS, Resp	ondent

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas ratifies and acknowledges satisfaction of the requirements of the Agreed Order that was signed on the 14th day of April, 20 05, by CAROLYN SUE WALTERS, License Number 141989, and said Order is final.

Signed this 28th day of April , 2005

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN Executive Director

on behalf of said Board