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Katherine A. Thomas
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of § AGREED
Registered Nurse License Number 571171 §
& Vocational Nurse License Number 101818 §
issued to KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, a/k/a, §
KATIE A. BRANDT § ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, Registered Nurse License Number 571171, and Vocational Nurse License Number 101818, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on July 25, 2012, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, 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 professional nursing in the State of Texas. Respondent holds a license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, which is currently in delinquent status.
4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Cuero Community Hospital, Cuero, Texas, on August 12, 1983, and an Associate Degree in Nursing from Victoria College, Victoria, Texas, on May 14, 1991. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on November 30, 1983, and Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 26, 1991.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.
6. On or about March 21, 2005, Respondent was issued the sanction of a FINE by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Agreed Order dated December 9, 2008, is attached and incorporated herein, by reference, as part of this Order.
7. On or about May 10, 1991, Respondent submitted a Registration by Examination to the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in which she provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that she answered "No" to the question: "Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than minor traffic violations?"

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about September 8, 1986, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of the LESSER BUT INCLUDED OFFENSE OF ISSUANCE OF A BAD CHECK, a misdemeanor offense committed on July 30, 1986, in the County Court, Victoria County, Texas, under Cause No. 2-46,058.

8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that she did pay a fine and there was not any court or other fines that she can recall. After she paid for the fine, she was told she was ok and that her record was cleared, which is why she checked "no" on the application.
9. Formal Charges were filed on July 2, 2012.
10. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on July 3, 2012.

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 §217.12(6)(I).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against, Registered Nurse License Number 571171, and Vocational Nurse License Number 101818, heretofore issued to KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a 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 not 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.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html>.

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two hundred 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.

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

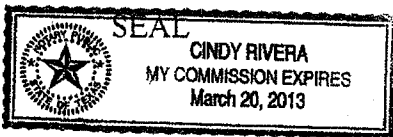
I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order.

I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) 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 4 day of October, 2012.

Katherine A Brandt
KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of October, 2012.



Cindy Rivera
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

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, 20 12, by KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, Registered Nurse License Number 571171, and Vocational Nurse License Number 101818, and said Order is final.



Effective this 11th day of October, 20 12.

Katherine A. Thomas

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



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Executive Director

July 3, 2012

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Return Receipt Requested

Katherine Ann Brandt
1004 Fairview
Victoria, Texas 77904

Dear Ms. Brandt:

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 Terry Washington, 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 Terry Washington, Investigator, Enforcement Division, at the above address, or at (512) 305-6852.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN
Executive Director

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Enclosure: Formal Charges

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In the Matter of Registered License § BEFORE THE TEXAS
Number 571171, and Vocational Nurse License §
Number 101818, Issued to §
KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, Respondent § BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, is a Registered Nurse holding license number 571171, which is current at the time of this pleading, and a Vocational Nurse holding license number 101818, which is in delinquent 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 10, 1991, Respondent submitted a Registration by Examination to the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in which she provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that she answered "No" to the question: "Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than minor traffic violations?"

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about September 8, 1986, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of the LESSER BUT INCLUDED OFFENSE OF ISSUANCE OF A BAD CHECK, a misdemeanor offense committed on July 30, 1986, in the County Court, Victoria County, Texas, under Cause No. 2-46,058. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ART. 4525(a)(9)(eff. 9/1/1989), and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.13(15)(eff. 5/1988).

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.

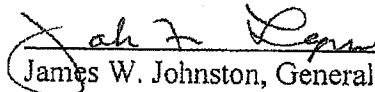
NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on Adopted Disciplinary Sanction Policies for Lying and Falsification, which can be found at the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

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.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Respondent's past disciplinary history, as set out below and described in the Order which is attached and incorporated by reference as part of these charges, will be offered in support of the disposition recommended by staff: Agreed Order dated March 21, 2005.

Filed this 2nd day of July, 2012.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING


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Attachments: Order of the Board dated March 21, 2005

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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS
FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS**

In the Matter of License Number 571171
Issued to: KATHERINE ANN BRANDT

§ AGREED
§ ORDER

On this day, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, License Number 571171, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.303 and Section 301.452(b)(1), Texas Occupations Code and 22 Texas Administrative Code, §216.

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 9/2004.

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 Section 301.303 and Section 301.452(b)(1) Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Texas Administrative Code §216.3.
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 571171, heretofore issued to KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, including revocation of Respondent's professional 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, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, Annotated, as amended, Texas Occupations Code §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Professional 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 (20.0) 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 professional nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 8 day of March, 2005.

Katherine A. Brandt
KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, Respondent

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 8th day of March, 2005, by KATHERINE ANN BRANDT, License Number 571171, and said Order is final.

Signed this 21st day of March, 2005.

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