

Respondent's complete vocational nursing employment history continued:

2006-05/08	LVN	Millennium Home Care Texarkana, Texas
06/08-03/10	LVN	Cypress Home Care Paris, Texas
04/10-Present	Not Employed in Nursing	

6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Cypress Home Care, Paris, Texas, and had been in this position for approximately one (1) year and seven (7) months.
7. On or about January 26, 2010, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Cypress Home Care, Paris, Texas, Respondent lacked fitness to practice nursing in that she was diagnosed with and sought treatment for an addiction to Hydrocodone. Respondent's condition could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patients in potential danger.
8. In Response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent admits to self-referring herself to the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN) for an addiction to Hydrocodone. Respondent states she attended Alcoholics Anonymous/Narcotics Anonymous (AA/NA) meetings daily, and on February 25, 2010, she began attending Community Healthcore, an addiction recovery program, four (4) days a week, in addition to her 90/90 AA/NA meetings. In addition, Respondent states she began seeing a counselor and psychiatrist two (2) times a week, and successfully completed Community Healthcore in June 2010.
9. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to 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)(B)&(T) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(B)&(E),(4)&(5).

4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10),(12)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 199540, heretofore issued to KIMBERLY RENA JONES, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a LIMITED LICENSE with Stipulations, 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 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 Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

(1) While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL NOT provide direct patient care. For the purposes of this Order, direct patient care involves a personal relationship between the Nurse and the client, and includes, but is not limited to: teaching, counseling, assessing the client's needs and strengths, and providing skilled nursing care.

(2) SHOULD RESPONDENT desire to return to a clinical practice setting, which would require her to provide direct patient care, RESPONDENT SHALL petition the Board for such approval.

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 this Order is subject to ratification by the Board. When this Order is ratified, the terms of this Order become effective, and 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.

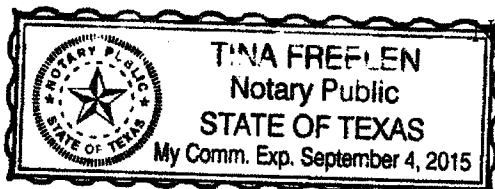
Signed this 15 day of October, 20 12.

Kimberly Rena Jones
KIMBERLY RENA JONES, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of October, 20 12.

SEAL

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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 15th day of October, 2012, by KIMBERLY RENA JONES, Vocational Nurse License Number 199540, and said Order is final.

Effective this 13th day of November, 2012.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Katherine A. Thomas".

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