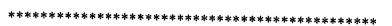
BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of Vocational Nurse License Number 228499 issued to LORI ANN SWANK



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 228499, issued to LORI ANN SWANK, 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's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas is currently delinquent.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.
- 3. Respondent received a Certificate from Mesabi Range Community College, Eveleth, Minnesota, on May 15, 2003. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on June 22, 2010.
- Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.
- Formal Charges were filed on November 3, 2011.
- 6. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on November 10, 2011.
- 7. First Amended Formal Charges were filed on January 3, 2013, A copy of the First Amended Formal Charges is attached and incorporated by reference as part of this Order.

- 8. First Amended Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on January 3, 2013.
- 9. On January 23, 2013, 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 January 16, 2013, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

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(5).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 228499, heretofore issued to LORI ANN SWANK, 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.

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ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 228499, heretofore issued to LORI ANN SWANK, 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.
- 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 24 day of January, 2013.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

In the Matter of Permanent License \$ BEFORE THE TEXAS Number 228499, Issued to \$ BOARD OF NURSING

FIRST AMENDED FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, LORI ANN SWANK, is a Vocational Nurse holding license number 228499, 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 April 26, 2010, Respondent lacked fitness to practice nursing in that she sought treatment due to being unable to control her moods and believing she was in "crisis and needs a medication review." Additionally, Respondent admitted to binge drinking. Respondent was subsequently diagnosed with Major Depressive Disorder-Single Episode and prescribed Celexa and Tegretol. On September 22, 2010, Respondent sought treatment for Depression and Anxiety and was diagnosed with Depression with features of Anxiety. Further, on or about June 7, 2011, Respondent was diagnosed with Mood Disorder-Not Otherwise Specified with a history of alcohol abuse and Bipolar Disorder. 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.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(5).

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, 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.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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LORI ANN SWANK 12 KNOB HILL DRIVE VIRGINIA, MN 55792 Vocational Nurse License Number 228499

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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Date	1/16/13	

Vocational Nurse License Number 228499

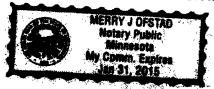
The State of Texas

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared LORI ANN SWANK 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 16th day of January, 2013

SEAL

Notary Public in and for the State of Minnesota





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> Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN Executive Director

January 24, 2013

TIMOTHY SWANK, HUSBAND 201 RIVER ROAD LIBERTY HILL, TX 78642

RE: LORI ANN SWANK

Dear TIMOTHY SWANK:

Effective January 24, 2013, the Texas Board of Nursing accepted the voluntary surrender of the above referenced nurse's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas. A copy of the final Order may be obtained by submitting a written request to the Board.

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

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (512) 305-6945.

Sincerely,

Christen M. Werley, Investigator

Enforcement Division

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