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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 594970 §
issued to GERI ANNE HILL § ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of GERI ANNE HILL, Registered Nurse License Number 594970, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ART. 4525(a)(2)&(9)(eff. 9/1/1991), and Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on January 11, 2013.

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 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.
4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, Texas, on May 15, 1993. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on September 22, 1993.
5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.
6. On or about May 19, 1993, Respondent submitted a Registration by Examination for Graduates of Schools in the United States to the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of

Texas in which she provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that he/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 November 2, 1992, Respondent pled Nolo Contendere and was found Guilty of OPERATING OR DRIVING A MOTOR VEHICLE IN A PUBLIC PLACE IN BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS WHILE INTOXICATED, a misdemeanor offense committed on May 18, 1992, in the County Court at Law No. 1, Bexar County, Texas, under Cause No. 523275.

7. On or about May 17, 2001, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE OF OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE IN A PUBLIC PLACE WHILE INTOXICATED, a Class A misdemeanor offense committed on November 10, 2000, in the County Court, Atascosa County, Texas, under Cause No. 22424. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Atascosa County Jail for a period of three hundred sixty five (365) days; however, imposition of the sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of twelve (12) months, and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), along with a fine and court costs.
8. In response to Findings of Fact Numbers Six (6), and Seven (7), Respondent states the DUI arrests arose out of bad decision-making on her part, however they believe that her wrong doing is mitigated by a number of factors. First, the incidents were isolated-approximately 7-9 years passed between each of the three arrests. Second, all three of the arrests are quite old-the first arrest was nearly thirty years ago, and the most recent was still over 10 years ago. Third, Respondent has never faced any past discipline by the Board, and she has kept a clean work record, never having had a complaint alleged impairment or substance abuse.

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 §217.13(17)(eff. 4/1993), and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(22).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ART. 4525(a)(2)&(9)(eff. 9/1/1991), and Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against, Registered Nurse License Number 594970, heretofore issued to GERI ANNE HILL, 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 five hundred dollars (\$500.00). 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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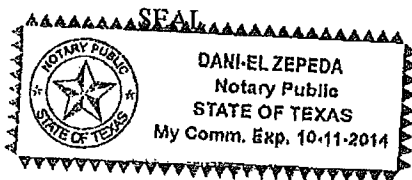
RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I 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 5th day of February, 2013.
Gerianne Hill
GERI ANNE HILL, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

5 day of February, 2013.
Daniel Zepeda
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas



Approved as to form and substance.

Darrin Dest
Darrin Dest, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 12 day of February, 2013.

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 5th day of February, 2013, by GERI ANNE HILL, Registered Nurse License Number 594970, and said Order is final.

Effective this 12th day of February, 2013.



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