IN THE MATTER OF	§	BEFORE THE TEXAS
PERMANENT REGISTERED NURSE	§	
LICENSE NUMBER 596979	§	BOARD OF NURSING
ISSUED TO	§	ELIGIBILITY AND
MONICA KEVBE MEEKS	§	DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE



ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: MONICA KEVBE MEEKS 11506 MILL BRIDGE CT SUGAR LAND, TX 77498

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, the Texas Board of Nursing Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case, based on the failure of the Respondent to appear as required by 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458, Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely Notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.

The Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This

Order will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing [22 Tex. ADMIN.CODE § 213.16(j)]. All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 596979, previously issued to MONICA KEVBE MEEKS, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is/are hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 11th day of June, 2013.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

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Attachment: Formal Charge filed March 28, 2013.

Re: Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 596979
Issued to MONICA KEVBE MEEKS
DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 12th day of 5000, 2013, a true and correct
copy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served and addressed to the following person(s),
as follows:
Via USPS Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested
MONICA KEVBE MEEKS
11506 MILL BRIDGE CT

BY:

SUGAR LAND, TX 77498

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

In the Matter of	§.	BEFORE THE TEXAS
Permanent Registered Nurse	Š	
License Number 596979	8	
Issued to MONICA KEVBE MEEKS, a/k/a,	8	
MONICA K. MEEKS, Respondent	§	BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, MONICA KEVBE MEEKS, a/k/a, MONICA K. MEEKS, is a Registered Nurse holding License Number 596979 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 May 16, 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 Respondent provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that Respondent answered "No" to the question: "Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation?"

Respondent failed to disclose that, on or about June 17, 1992, Respondent pled Guilty to and was convicted of CREDIT CARD ABUSE, as charged in Count I of the Indictment, a Third Degree felony offense committed on September 19, 1991, in the 182nd District Court of Harris County, Texas, under Cause No. 618552. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Institution Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for a period of ten (10) years; however, imposition of the sentence of confinement was suspended and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of ten (10) years.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Tex. Rev. Civ. STAT. ART. 4525(a)(2)&(9)(eff. 9/1/1991), and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.13(17)(eff. 1/1/1993).

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

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 Guidelines for Criminal Conduct and 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(s) which is/are attached and incorporated by reference as part of these charges, will be offered in support of the disposition recommended by staff: Order dated April 1, 2002.

Filed this ______ day of _______, 20_13.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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Attachments: Order of the Board dated April 1, 2002

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Board of Nurse Examiners For the State of Texas

Katherine Thomas. Linda Rounds,
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April 1, 2002

Certified Mail No. 7001 2510 0008 2753 9299 Return Receipt Requested

Monica Sodje P.O. Box 773291 Houston, TX 77215

Dear Ms. Sodje:

This office is in receipt of your paid fine, submitted by you in order to comply with the requirements of the proposed Order of the Board recently sent to you. Enclosed, please find a copy of your Order of the Board issued on April 1, 2002. Please keep this copy for your record.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER OF THE BOARD. READ THE ORDER CAREFULLY. CONTACT THIS OFFICE AT (512) 305-6838 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR DO NOT UNDERSTAND ANY PART OF THE ORDER.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN

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Executive Director

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Enclosure: Order of the Board

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of License Number 596979

AGREED

Issued to: MONICA SODJE

§ ORDER

On this day, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of MONICA SODJE, License Number 596979, 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 5/99 through 5/01.

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 596979, heretofore issued to MONICA SODJE, 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.

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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 19th day	y of March	, 20 <u>0&</u> .
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MONICA SODJE, RO	espondent	

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 19th day of March, 2002, by MONICA SODJE, License Number 596979, and said Order is final.

Signed this 1st day of April , 2002.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN

Executive Director on behalf of said Board



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Executive Director

April 3, 2013

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Return Receipt Requested

Monica Kevbe Meeks 11506 Mill Bridge Ct Sugar Land, TX 77498

Dear Monica Kevbe Meeks:

Enclosed are Formal Charges which have been filed against you because your pending alleged violation(s) of Section 301.452(b) of the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, have not been resolved. Within three weeks from the date of this letter, you must file a <u>written</u> 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. Send your written answer to the attention of Terry Washington, Investigator, at the above address. 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.

If a <u>written</u> answer to the Formal Charges is not received within three weeks from the date of this letter, this matter 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 result of any disciplinary action, including any default order or formal disposition (Board Order), is public information. Dispositions, including default orders and formal dispositions, will appear in the Board's quarterly newsletter and will be reported to the National Council of State Boards of

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Nursing, Inc., the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank (HIPDB), and the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB).

Should you desire to discuss this matter, contact Terry Washington, Investigator, Enforcement Division at (512) 305-6852.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director

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Enclosure:

Formal Charges

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