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### BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of§AGREEDVocational Nurse License Number 170145§issued to JERRY GLEN CURTIS§ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of JERRY GLEN CURTIS, Vocational Nurse License Number 170145, 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. Ann. Article 4528c, sec 10(a)(9)(effective 9/1/1997). Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on June 11, 2012.

### 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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Odessa College, Andrews, Texas, on August 7, 1998. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on October 30, 1998.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.

On or about June 15, 1998, Respondent submitted an Application for Licensure by Examination to the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in which he provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that he answered "No" to the question:

"Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor other than a minor traffic violation?"

Respondent failed to disclose the following:

On or about May 29, 1990, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of THEFT BY CHECK REDUCED TO ISSUANCE OF A BAD CHECK, a Class C misdemeanor offense committed on March 13, 1990, in the County Court of Winkler County, Texas, under Cause No. 11,427. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was ordered to pay court costs.

On or about March 2, 1992, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of THEFT OVER \$20.00 UNDER \$200.00, a misdemeanor offense committed on January 30, 1992, in the County Court of Winkler County, Texas, under Cause No. 11,721. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Winkler County Jail for a period of thirty (30) days.

On or about June 14, 1994, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of THEFT, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on May18, 1994, in the County Court at Law No. 2 of Ector County, Texas, under Cause No. 941544. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Winkler County Jail for a period of three (3) days and ordered to pay a fine and courts costs.

In response to Finding of Fact Number Six (6), Respondent states on May 8, 1990, Larcenytheft by check in Winkler County, Texas had occurred due to a miscalculation of his and his former spouse's part in balancing their check book. The check was written to a veterinary clinic in Kermit, Texas. It did go quickly to the county attorney's office at which time they promptly prosecuted. He did pay all necessary fees involved in compliance with the court order. On January 30, 1992, he was charged with larceny theft \$20-\$200 in Kermit, Texas. He did take movies from a store in Kermit, Texas. He can offer no excuses for his behavior and actions other than to acknowledge that what he did was wrong and to accept full responsibility for those actions. He did pay all necessary fees in compliance with the court order. On May 18, 1994, he was charged with theft \$20-\$200. This was a movie that he took from a store in Odessa, Texas. Once again, he can offer no excuses. He accepts this also and understands that what he did was wrong. He actually was not confined for 3 days. He was arrested and posted bail the same day. Once he went before the judge he was released with time served. He did not disclose these matters to the Board because he was in nursing school.

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#### 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 \$239.11(8)&(29)(A)(effective through 9/28/2004).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. Ann. Article 4528c, sec 10(a)(9)(effective 9/1/1997), to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 170145, heretofore issued to JERRY GLEN CURTIS, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

#### <u>ORDER</u>

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 (\$250.00) dollars. 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.

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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.

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Signed this 17 day of June 2013

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GLEN CURTIS, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17 day of 34 NC, 201

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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 <u>17th</u> day of <u>June</u>, 20<u>13</u>, by JERRY GLEN CURTIS, and Vocational Nurse License Number 170145, and said Order is final.

Effective this <u>18</u> day of <u>June</u>, 20<u>13</u>.

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