

IN THE MATTER OF PERMANENT
REGISTERED NURSE LICENSE
NUMBER 718628 ISSUED TO
JOHN STEPHEN MEDLIN

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BEFORE THE TEXAS
BOARD OF NURSING
ELIGIBILITY AND
DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE



I do hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.
Patricia A. Plummer
Executive Director of the Board

ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: John Stephen Medlin
2202 Warren
Big Spring, TX 79720

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on **August 6, 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 718628, previously issued to JOHN STEPHEN MEDLIN, 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 6th day of August, 2013.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:



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

Attachment: Formal Charge filed May 3, 2013.

Re: Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 718628
Issued to JOHN STEPHEN MEDLIN
DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 8 day of August, 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

John Stephen Medlin
2202 Warren
Big Spring, TXx 79720

BY:



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

In the Matter of ,
Permanent Registered Nurse
License Number 718628
Issued to JOHN STEPHEN MEDLIN,
Respondent

§ BEFORE THE TEXAS
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§ BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, JOHN STEPHEN MEDLIN, is a Registered Nurse holding License Number 718628 which is in delinquent 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 18, 2011, while employed as a staff nurse with Big Spring State Hospital, Big Spring, Texas, Respondent inaccurately and incompletely documented a complete nursing assessment of Patient 185616, in that he documented that the patient had a bruise on the left cheek, when the patient actually had a bruise over the left eye. Additionally, Respondent failed to completely and accurately document a treatment plan for Patient 185616. Respondent's conduct resulted in an incomplete medical record which subsequent care givers would rely on to provide further patient care.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(B)&(1)(D) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B)&(4).

CHARGE II.

On or about May 23, 2011, while employed as a staff nurse with Big Spring State Hospital, Big Spring, Texas, Respondent failed to document a nursing assessment of Patient 271609. Additionally, Respondent failed to document that he contacted the medical provider and received verbal orders when the patient experienced an elevated temperature. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurate medical records which subsequent care givers would rely on to provide further patient care.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(B)&(1)(D) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B)&(4).

CHARGE III.

On or about May 23, 2011, while employed as a staff nurse with Big Spring State Hospital, Big Spring, Texas, Respondent falsely documented a skin assessment for Patient 24162. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurate medical records which subsequent care givers would rely on to provide further patient care.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(B)&(1)(D), and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B),(4)&(6)(A).

CHARGE IV.

On or about May 23, 2011, while employed as a staff nurse with Big Spring State Hospital, Big Spring, Texas, Respondent failed to clarify a physician's verbal medication order to renew all medications for Patient 24162, including Aspirin, which the patient had a known intolerance. Respondent's conduct placed the patient at risk of experiencing adverse reactions to Aspirin.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(B),(1)(D)&(1)(N) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B)&(4).

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.

Filed this 3rd day of May, 2013.

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