

In the Matter of

AGREED §

Vocational Nurse License Number 54374

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issued to KATHY JO ROBERTSON

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of KATHY JO ROBERTSON, Vocational Nurse License Number 54374, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10) & (13), Texas Occupations Code. 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 July 10, 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 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.
- Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Greenville Vocational Nursing 4. School, Greenville, Texas, on September 13, 1972. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on October 18, 1972.
- 5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

03/2003 - 03/2011

LVN

Family Care Center Quitman, Texas

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Executive Director of the Board

Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

03/2011 - 07/2011

LVN

Trinity Mother Frances Clinic

Winnsboro, Texas

07/2011 - 03/2013

LVN

Heritage Nursing Home

Quitman, Texas

03/2013 - present

unknown

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with The Heritage Nursing Home, Quitman, Texas, and had been in this position for approximately two (2) years and eight (8) months.
- 7. On or about March 11, 2013, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with The Heritage Nursing Home, Quitman, Texas, Respondent physically forced Patient N.E. to get out of his bed against his will and hollered, "Get your lazy ass out of bed." Additionally, Respondent admitted to using profanity while conversing with Patient N.E. Respondent's conduct exposed the patient unnecessarily to a risk of emotional and/or psychological harm.
- 8. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent admits to saying, "Get your lazy ass out of bed." However, Respondent states that she did not force Patient N.E. to get out of bed. Respondent states that she has never in her forty (40) years as a nurse been like that to a patient. Respondent states that she was not feeling well that morning, which is no excuse. Respondent states that she is so sorry that this happened and she can assure that this will never happen again. Respondent states that she will always act in a manner that is expected of her. Respondent adds that she cares about her patients and will treat them all with respect and kindness. Respondent states that she has learned a very valuable lesson.

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 §217.11(1)(B), and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B) & (6)(C).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10) & (13), Texas

Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against, Vocational Nurse License Number 54374, heretofore issued to KATHY JO ROBERTSON, 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 REMEDIAL EDUCATION, 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 <u>not</u> 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, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete the course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills," a 3.6 contact hour online program provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Learning Extension. In order to receive credit for completion of this program, RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

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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 may 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.

day of July

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 34 day of Ju

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

	WHEREFOR	RE, PREMISES CONS	IDERED, the Executive	Director, on behalf of
the Texa	as Board of Nursing,	does hereby ratify and	adopt the Agreed Order the	hat was signed on the
30 th	day of <u>July</u>	, 20 <u>13</u>	, by KATHY JO ROBI	ERTSON, Vocational
Nurse L	icense Number 5437	4, and said Order is fir	al.	
		Effective this 1st	day of <u>August</u>	, 20 <u>13</u>
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		Katherine A. Thomas	, MN, RN, FAAN	
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