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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 246574 §
issued to KATHLEEN TERESA GREEN § ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board considered the matter of KATHLEEN TERESA GREEN, Registered Nurse License Number 246574, 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 26, 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 professional nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from San Jacinto College, Pasadena, Texas, on August 1, 1977. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on March 28, 1979.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

1979 - 1980	Registered Nurse	Hermann Hospital Houston, Texas
1980 - 1980	Registered Nurse	Wilcrest Emergency Medical Center Houston, Texas

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

1980 - 1980	Registered Nurse	Houston Northeast Medical Center Humble, Texas
1980 - 1985	Registered Nurse	Amoco Production Company Houston, Texas
1985 - 1986	Registered Nurse	St. Joseph Hospital Houston, Texas
1986 - 1987	Registered Nurse	Sunbelt Regional Hospital Houston, Texas
1983 - 1991	Registered Nurse	Texas Air Evac Houston, Texas
1987 - 1996	Registered Nurse	Harris County Sheriff's Department Houston, Texas
1996 - 1997	Registered Nurse	Prime Care Inc., Houston, Texas
1997 - 2001	Registered Nurse	The Care Group of Texas, Inc., Houston, Texas
1999 - 2001	Registered Nurse	SIMS Deltec St. Paul, MN
2000 - 2001	Registered Nurse	IVA Homecare Houston, Texas
2001 - 2002	Registered Nurse	Prime Staff Houston, Texas
2001 - 2004	Registered Nurse	Christus St. Joseph Hospital Houston, Texas
2005 - Unknown	Registered Nurse	Halliburton Energy Services Houston, Texas
2005 - 2008	Registered Nurse	Pulse Staffing Houston, Texas

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

2008 - Unknown	Registered Nurse	Bayside Surgery Center Pasadena, Texas
2006 - 2012	Registered Nurse	Houston Physician's Hospital Webster, Texas
2012 - Present	Unknown	

6. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Houston Physician's Hospital, Webster, Texas, and had been in this position for six (6) years and four (4) months.
7. On or about May 30, 2012, while employed as a Registered Nurse at Houston Physician's Hospital, Houston, Texas, Respondent obtained a Digoxin Level from Patient Medical Record Number 34741 without a physician's order. Respondent's conduct exposed the patient unnecessarily to a risk of harm from excessive bleeding, feeling light-headed, fainting, hematoma, and infection.
8. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that if she forgot to write the order, it was an unintentional over-site. Respondent states the order for a Digoxin level is written as a single order on a physician order form.

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)(A),(1)(C),(1)(D),(1)(M),(1)(P)&(3)(A) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(4).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against, Registered Nurse License Number 246574, heretofore issued to KATHLEEN TERESA GREEN, 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 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, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing documentation. 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. The course shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length of classroom time. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include Nurses. The course shall include content on the following: nursing standards related to accurate and complete documentation; legal guidelines for recording; methods and processes of recording; methods of alternative record-keeping; and computerized documentation. RESPONDENT SHALL cause the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Board's office 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>.*

(3) 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>.*

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.

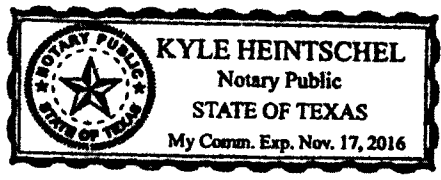
Signed this 9 day of September, 2013.

Kathleen Teresa Green
KATHLEEN TERESA GREEN, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9 day of September, 2013.


[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

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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 9th day of September, 2013, by KATHLEEN TERESA GREEN, Registered Nurse License Number 246574, and said Order is final.

Effective this 13th day of September, 2013.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Katherine A. Thomas".

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