BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING





In the Matter of \$ AGREED Registered Nurse License Number 581404 \$

issued to JESSE BARTLETT BAKER JR § ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of JESSE BARTLETT BAKER JR, Registered Nurse License Number 581404, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was provided to 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 Kilgore College, Kilgore, Texas, on May 1, 1992. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 31, 1992.
- 5. Respondent's professional nursing employment history is unknown.
- 6. On or about July 25, 2013, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form to the Texas Board of Nursing, in which he answered "Yes" to the question: "Have you, within the past 24 months or since your last renewal, for any criminal offense, including those pending appeal:

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- A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
- B. been convicted of a felony?
- C. pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
- D. received deferred adjudication?
- E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
- F. been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? court-ordered confinement?
- G. been granted pre-trial diversion?
- H. been arrested or any pending criminal charges?
- I. been <u>cited</u> or charged with any violation of the law?
- J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation, or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?"

On or about February 28, 2012, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to and was convicted of THEFT, a State Jail Felony offense committed May 15, 2011, in the 411th Judicial District Court of Trinity County, Texas, under Cause No. 9932. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the State Jail Facility for a period of two (2) years, however, imposition of the sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of two (2) years.

- 7. In Response to Finding of Fact Number Six (6), Respondent states that there were some checks written to him for reimbursement of money he spent for the fire department, but all of the receipts were burned in a fire in July 2011 so he had no proof.
- 8. Respondent, by his signature to this Order, expresses his desire to voluntarily surrender his license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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 §217.12(13).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 581404, heretofore issued to JESSE BARTLETT BAKER JR, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

- 5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
- 6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
- 7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Registered Nurse License Number 581404, heretofore issued to JESSE BARTLETT BAKER JR, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

- 1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice professional nursing, use the title "registered nurse" or the abbreviation "RN" or wear any insignia identifying himself as a registered nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a registered nurse during the period in which the license is surrendered.
- 2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order.
- 3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

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.

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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 this Order becomes final when accepted by the Executive Director at which time the terms of this Order become effective and a copy will be mailed to me.

Signed this $\underline{4}$ day of \underline{Dee} , $20/3$.
JESSE BARTLETT BAKER JR, Respondent
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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby accept the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 581404, previously issued to JESSE BARTLETT BAKER JR.

Effective this 13th day of December, 2013.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf of said Board