BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of Vocational Nurse License Number 181620

issued to MARK DOUGLAS SHAW

AGREED §

ORDER

Executive Director of the Board

On this day the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referre to as the Board, considered the matter of MARK DOUGLAS SHAW, Vocational Nurse License Number 181620, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 302.402(a)(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on May 3, 2006, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these 1. 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.
- Respondent waived informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this 2. Order.
- Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas. 3.
- Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Lee College, Baytown, Texas, 4. on August 15, 2001. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on September 25, 2001.
- 5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

8/15/01 to 7/2102

Unknown

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Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

7/22/02 to 11/10/03

LVN

Southfield Nursing Home

Pasadena, Texas

11/11/03 to Present

Unknown

- 6. On or about September 2, 1988, at the 184th District Court, Harris County, Texas, Respondent plead "Guilty" and was convicted of the offence of Assault, a Class "A" Misdemeanor and was sentenced to ninety (90) days confinement in the Harris County Jail.
- 7. On or about July 2, 2001, Respondent provided false information on his Application for Licensure by Examination to the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in that Respondent answered "No" to the question, "Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor other than a minor traffic violation?" Respondent's conduct was deceitful and may have affected the decision to license Respondent as a Licensed Vocational Nurse.
- 8. In regards to the incident of Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that he had informed the staff at Lee College, Baytown, Texas, of his conviction prior to his enrollment and was advised that he could answer "No" to the question of the misdemeanor conviction since it had been only one conviction and was more than three (3) years prior to the application. In addition, those same instructions were in the student handbook.

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 a violation of Section 302.402(a)(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(8).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 181620, heretofore issued to MARK DOUGLAS SHAW, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Board of Nurse Examiners, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of REMEDIAL EDUCATION WITH A FINE, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as amended, Texas Occupations Code §§301.001 et seq., the Rules and Regulations Relating to Vocational Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.01 et seq. and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license is encumbered by this Order, Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a multistate licensure 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 deliver the wallet-sized license issued to MARK DOUGLAS SHAW to the office of the Board of Nurse Examiners within ten (10) days of the date of ratification of this Order for appropriate notation.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence. 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) contact hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, and documentation of care. 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 on the Board's website, www.bne.state.tx.us (under BNE events).

- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing 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. The course shall be a minimum of six (6) contact hours in length. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include Nurses. The course shall include content on the following: principles of nursing ethics; confidentiality; and professional boundaries. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to verify RESPONDENT's successful completion of the course. 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 on the Board's website*, <u>www.bne.state.tx.us</u> (under BNE events).
- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days of entry of this Order. Payment is to be made directly to the Board of Nurse Examiners in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be issued an unencumbered license and multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation 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 to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 27 day of 3, 20,04

MARK DOUGLAS SHAW, Respondent

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of
the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order
that was signed on the 27 th day of July, 20 <u>06</u> , by MARK DOUGLAS SHAW,
Vocational Nurse License Number 181620, and said Order is final.

Effective this 3rd day of August, 2006.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN Executive Director on behalf

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