

# BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of

AGREED

Registered Nurse License Number 254147

issued to KAY ANN MCKELVAIN

ORDER

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Executive Director of the Board

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Boconsidered the matter of KAY ANN MCKELVAIN, Registered Nurse License Number 254147, 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)(1)&(10) and 301.453, 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 May 27, 2014.

### 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's license practice professional nursing is currently in inactive status in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from The University of Texas Arlington, Arlington, Texas, on December 1, 1980. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on March 20, 1981.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.

- On or about May 23, 2013, Respondent was issued an Agreed Order by the Texas Board of Nursing which required her to participate in, and successfully complete the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order dated May 23, 2013, is attached and incorporated by reference as part of this order.
- 7. On or about December 31, 2013, Respondent became non-compliant with the Agreed Order issued to her by the Texas Board of Nursing on May 23, 2013. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to submit the required Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN) board order fee and failing to follow licensure renewal requirements. Stipulation Number One (1) of the Agreed Order dated May 23, 2013, states:
  - "(1) RESPONDENT SHALL, within forty-five (45) days following the date of entry of this final Order, apply to TPAPN and SHALL, within ninety (90) days following the date of entry of this final Order, sign and execute the TPAPN participation agreement and complete the enrollment process, which SHALL include payment of a non-refundable participation fee in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) payable to TPAPN.

On or about December 31, 2013, Respondent was dismissed from TPAPN and referred to the Board for further disposition.

- 8. The Respondent's conduct described in the preceding Findings of Fact was reportable under the provisions of Sections 301.401-301.419, Texas Occupations Code.
- 9. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.
- 10. Formal Charges were filed on May 1, 2014.
- 11. Charges were mailed to Respondent on May 2, 2014.
- 12. Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact resulted from or was significantly influenced by Respondent's substance use disorder.
- 13. Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact resulted from or was significantly influenced by Respondent's substance use disorder.
- 14. Respondent's compliance with the terms of a Board approved peer assistance program should be sufficient to protect patients and the public.

### 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(11)(B).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 254147, heretofore issued to KAY ANN MCKELVAIN, up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- 5. The Board may, in its discretion, order a nurse to participate in a peer assistance program approved by the Board if the nurse would otherwise have been eligible for referral to peer assistance pursuant to Section 301.410, Texas Occupations Code.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that Registered Nurse License Number 254147, previously issued to KAY ANN MCKELVAIN, to practice nursing in Texas is/are hereby SUSPENDED and said suspension is ENFORCED until Respondent complies with Stipulation Numbers One (1) and Two (2):

- (1) RESPONDENT SHALL apply to and be accepted into the TPAPN and complete the enrollment process, which SHALL include payment of a non-refundable participation fee in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) payable to TPAPN.
- (2) Upon acceptance into the TPAPN, RESPONDENT SHALL waive confidentiality and provide a copy of the executed TPAPN participation agreement to the Texas Board of Nursing.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, upon verification of compliance with Stipulation Numbers One (1) and Two (2), the SUSPENSION will be stayed, and RESPONDENT SHALL

comply with the following conditions for such a time as is required for RESPONDENT to successfully complete the TPAPN:

- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL comply with all requirements of the TPAPN participation agreement during its term and SHALL keep all applicable license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas current.
- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the TPAPN to notify the Texas Board of Nursing of any violation of the TPAPN participation agreement.

RESPONDENT SHALL pay all re-registration fees, if applicable, and RESPONDENT'S licensure status in the State of Texas will be updated to reflect the applicable conditions outlined herein.

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 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 multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT fail to comply with this Order or the terms of the participation agreement with the TPAPN, such noncompliance will result in further disciplinary action including EMERGENCY SUSPENSION pursuant to Section 301.4551,

Texas Occupations Code, or REVOCATION of Respondent's license(s) and nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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. I acknowledge possessing a diagnosis that deems me eligible to participate in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Stipulation Numbers One (1) through Four (4) of this Order to obtain disposition of the allegations through peer assistance and to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order becomes effective upon acceptance by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, and 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 25 day of July 2014

Tay ann MCKELVAIN Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25

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WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director	on behalf of the
Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby accept and enter the Agreed Order that was	signed on the
25 <sup>th</sup> day of July , 2014 , by KAY ANN MCKELVAIN, R	Registered Nurse
License Number 254147, and said Order is final.	
Effective this 29th day of July	, 20 <u>_14</u> .
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Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN Executive Director on behalf	·



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ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of KAY ANN MCKELVAIN, Registered Nurse License Number 254147, 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)(9)(10)&(12) and 301.453, 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 February 4, 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).
- Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent holds a license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas, which is currently in inactive status.
- Petitioner received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from University of Texas, Arlington, Texas, on December 1, 1980. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on March 20, 1981.
- 5. Respondent's professional nursing employment history is unknown.

6. On or about June 4, 2012, Respondent submitted an application for Six Month Temporary Permit to Complete Refresher Course, Extensive Orientation, or Nursing Program of Study in Professional Registered Nursing to the Texas Board of Nursing, in which she answered "Yes" to the following question:

"Within the past five (5) years have you been addicted to and/or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug?"

Respondent states that she began having a problem with alcohol in 2009. In November of 2009, she voluntarily checked herself into La Hacienda treatment facility. She completed a 30 day program and returned home. She began attending AA meetings. Almost 2 years later, again due to health issues, she found herself reverting to old habits and voluntarily returned to La Hacienda for three weeks. In November 2011, she re-injured herself and was again hospitalized. She has not used alcohol or prescription pain medications since her release.

- 7. The Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact was reportable under the provisions of Sections 301.401-301.419, Texas Occupations Code.
- 8. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.
- Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact resulted from or was significantly influenced by Respondent's substance use.
- Respondent's compliance with the terms of a Board approved peer assistance program should be sufficient to protect patients and the public.

# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.455, 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(5).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(9)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against RN, Registered Nurse License Number 254147, heretofore issued to KAY ANN MCKELVAIN, up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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### **ORDER**

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IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT fail to comply with this Order or the terms of the participation agreement with the TPAPN, such noncompliance will result in further disciplinary action including EMERGENCY SUSPENSION pursuant to Section 301.4551, Texas Occupations Code, or REVOCATION of Respondent's license(s) and nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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My Comm. Exp. 06-09-15

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WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby accept and enter the Agreed Order that was signed on the 22nd day of April, 2013, by KAY ANN MCKELVAIN, RN, Registered Nurse License Number 254147, and said Order is final.

Entered and effective this 23rd day of May, 2013.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board