# BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of Permanent Certificate

Number 585164 issued to

BRANDIE LEE LAUCK

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AGREED ORDER

I do hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.

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On this day the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, h referred to as the Board, considered the matter of BRANDIE LEE LAUCK, license number 585164, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Article 4525(b)(9), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice, hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on December 17, 1997, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director, subject to ratification by the Board.

#### **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.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and consented to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Diploma in Nursing from Methodist Hospital School of Nursing, Lubbock, Texas, in June 1992.

Respondent's professional employment history includes:

7/92 - 7/97

Staff Nurse

St. Mary of the Plains Hospital

Lubbock, Texas

7/97 - present

Unknown

- 6. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Staff Nurse with St. Mary of the Plains Hospital. Lubbock. Texas. and had been in this position for five (5) years.
- 7. On or about July 15, 1997, while employed with the aforementioned facility, Respondent misappropriated 200mg Demerol and 50mg Phenergan from the facility. Respondent's conduct was likely to derraud the facility of the cost of the medication.
- 8. Respondent misappropriated and administered the medication to her mother who was admitted to the facility with problems associated with Multiple Sclerosis.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Article 4525, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- Notice was served in accordance with law.
- 3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove violation of Article 4525(b)(9), TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN., and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.13(15).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Article 4525(b), TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN., to take disciplinary action against license number 585164, heretofore issued to BRANDIE LEE LAUCK.

#### AGREED SANCTIONS

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED, subject to ratification by the Board of Nurse Examiners, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a Warning with Stipulations, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Revised Civil

Statutes of Texas as amended, Art. 4513 et. seq., the Rules and Regulations Relating to Professional Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.01 et. seq. and this Order.

#### IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

- (1) RESPONDENT SHALL deliver the wallet-size license issued to BRANDIE LEE LAUCK, to the office of the Board of Nurse Examiners within ten (10) days of the date of this Order for appropriate notation.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing jurisprudence. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience must include registered nurses. It must be a minimum of six (6) contact hours in length. The course's content should 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 is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure.
- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of \$500.00. RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days of entry of this Order. Payment is to 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.

(4) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in professional nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT SHALL present a copy of this Order to each present employer within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL notify all potential employers in professional mursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT SHALL present a copy of this Order to each potential employer prior to accepting an offer of employment.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be issued an unencumbered license to practice professional 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 alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree and consent to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, the Agreed Sanctions, and any condition stated in this 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.

Signed this 16th day of <u>Sanuary</u>, 1998. Brandie Lee Lauce

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of Manhans

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WILLIAM F. WARNIE MY COMMISSION EXPIRE

Effective this 10th day of February 1998

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



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KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

April 16, 1998

Brandie Lee Lauck 7911 A Albany Lubbock TX 79424

Dear Ms. Lauck:

This office is in receipt of the \$500 fine recently paid by you in order to comply with the requirements of the Order of the Board issued in February of 1998. Our files now reflect your completion of the requirements of that Order.

Please submit your wallet-sized license to this office, along with a copy of this letter. Once received, a new license will be issued to you which no longer bears the restricted designation.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at (512) 305-6834.

Sincerely,

Korena Schaaf
Investigator
Monitoring