IN THE MATTER OF PERMANENT VOCATIONAL NURSE LICENSE NUMBER 111575 ISSUED TO RICHARD DUNMORE BEFORE THE TEXAS

BOARD OF NURSING

ELIGIBILITY AND

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE



ORDER OF THE BOARD

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TO: RICHARD DUNMORE 5230 THUNDERCREEK ROAD APT 118 AUSTIN, TX 78759

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on Wednesday, November 12, 2014, the Texas Board of Nursing Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the abovestyled case, based on the failure of the Respondent to appear as required by 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458, Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely Notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.

The Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the proposed findings of fact and

conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This Order will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing [22 TEX. ADMIN.CODE § 213.16(j)]. All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 111575, previously issued to RICHARD DUNMORE, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is/are hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 12th day of November, 2014.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment:

Formal Charge filed August 5, 2014.

Re: Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 111575 Issued to RICHARD DUNMORE DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 13th day of November, 2014, a true and correct

copy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served and addressed to the following person(s), as follows:

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Via USPS Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested RICHARD DUNMORE 5230 THUNDERCREEK ROAD APT 118 AUSTIN, TX 78759

BY:

Via USPS First Class Mail

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August 5, 2014

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Return Receipt Requested

Richard Dunmore 5230 Thundercreek Road Apt 118 Austin, Tx 78759

Dear Richard Dunmore:

Enclosed are Formal Charges which have been filed against you because your pending alleged violation(s) of Section 301.452(b) of the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, have not been resolved. Within three weeks from the date of this letter, you must file a <u>written</u> answer to each charge admitting or denying each allegation. If you intend to deny only part of an allegation, you must specify so much of it as is true and deny only the remainder. Your answer shall also include any other matter, whether of law or fact, upon which you intend to rely for your defense. Send your written answer to the attention of Tamika Rose, Investigator, at the above address. You may obtain legal counsel at your own expense.

FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER TO THE FORMAL CHARGES, EITHER PERSONALLY OR BY LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE, WILL RESULT IN THE ALLEGATIONS CONTAINED IN THE FORMAL CHARGES BEING ADMITTED AS TRUE AND THE PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF WILL BE GRANTED BY DEFAULT.

If a <u>written</u> answer to the Formal Charges is not received within three weeks from the date of this letter, this matter will proceed on a default basis and it will be staff's recommendation that a default order be entered revoking your license(s) and/or nurse licensure compact privilege(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

The result of any disciplinary action, including any default order or formal disposition (Board Order), is public information. Dispositions, including default orders and formal dispositions, will appear in the Board's quarterly newsletter and will be reported to the National Council of State Boards of

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Nursing, Inc., and the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB).

Should you desire to discuss this matter, contact Tamika Rose, Investigator, at (512) 305-6812.

Sincerely,

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Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN Executive Director

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Enclosure: Formal Charges DA(2013.05.15)

In the Matter of Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 111575 Issued to RICHARD DUNMORE, Respondent

BEFORE THE TEXAS

BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

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This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, RICHARD DUNMORE, is a Vocational Nurse holding License Number 111575, which is in current status at the time of this pleading.

Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged to warrant adverse licensure action was sent to Respondent at Respondent's address of record and Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license prior to commencement of this proceeding.

CHARGE I.

On or about January 15, 1997, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty and was convicted of POSSESSION OF MARIHUANA LESS THAN 20ZS, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on May 25, 1996, in the County Court, Freestone County, Texas, under Cause No. 17612. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement for a period of sixty (60) days.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ART. 4528c, sec10 (a)(9)(eff. 9/1/1995), and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(29)(A)(eff. 11/1/1996).

CHARGE II.

On or about July 8, 1997, Respondent entered a plea of Nolo Contendere and was convicted of EVADE ARREST, a Class A misdemeanor offense committed on June 26, 1996, in the County Court at Law No. 5 of Dallas County, Texas, under Cause No. 96527061. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Dallas County Jail for a period of forty-five (45) days, with fifteen (15) days of credit for time served and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ART. 4528c, sec10 (a)(9)(eff. 9/1/1995), and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(29)(A)(eff. 11/1/1996).

CHARGE III.

On or about April 23, 1998, Respondent entered a plea of Nolo Contendere and was convicted of DWLS, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on January 6, 1998, in the County Court at Law No. 5 of Dallas County, Texas, under Cause No. 9843543. As a result of the conviction, Respondent

was sentenced to confinement in the Dallas County Jail for a period of forty-five (45) days, with eighteen (18) days of credit for time served (to run concurrent with the sentences of confinement in Cause Number 9843544), and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ART. 4528c, sec10 (a)(9)(eff. 9/1/1997), and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(29)(A)(eff. 3/1/1998).

CHARGE IV.

On or about April 23, 1998, Respondent entered a plea of Nolo Contendere and was convicted of POSS MJ, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on January 6, 1997, in the County Court at Law No. 5 of Dallas County, Texas, under Cause No. 9843544. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Dallas County Jail for a period of forty-five (45) days, with eighteen (18) days of credit for time served (to run concurrent with the sentences of confinement in Cause Number 9843544), and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ART. 4528c, sec10 (a)(9)(eff. 9/1/1997), and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(29)(A)(eff. 3/1/1998).

CHARGE V.

On or about January 29, 1999, Respondent entered a plea of Nolo Contendere and was convicted of DWLS/SR/ENH, a Class A Misdemeanor offense committed on January 15, 1999, in the County Criminal Court No. 6 of Dallas County, Texas, under Cause No. MA9943972. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement for a period of thirty-nine (39) days, with eighteen (18) days of credit for time served, and was ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Tex. Rev. CIV. STAT. ART. 4528c, sec10 (a)(9)(eff. 9/1/1997), and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE \$239.11(29)(A)(eff. 3/1/1998).

CHARGE VI.

On or about January 26, 1999, Respondent entered a plea of Nolo Contendere and was convicted of POSS MJ, (a Class B Misdemeanor offense committed on January 15, 1999), in the County Criminal Court No. 6 Dallas County, Texas, under Cause No. M-9943973. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement for a period of thirty (30) days. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ART. 4528c, sec10 (a)(9)(eff. 9/1/1997), and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(29)(A)(eff. 3/1/1998).

CHARGE VII.

On or about May 9, 2001, Respondent was arrested by the Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, for POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PG 1 < 1G, a State Jail Felony offense. On or about July 6, 2001, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to POSS CS, a felony offense, in the 10th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas, under Cause No. F0152409. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of guilt, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of five (5) years and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 302.402(a)(10)(eff. 9/1/1999), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(29)(A)(eff. 3/1/1998).

CHARGE VIII.

On or about July 13, 2005, Respondent submitted a Online Renewal Document Licensed Vocational Nurse to the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in which he provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that he answered "No" to the question:

"Have you been convicted, adjudicated guilty by a court, plead guilty, no contest or nolo contendere to any crime in any state, territory or country, whether or not a sentence was imposed, including any pending criminal charges or unresolved arrest (excluding minor traffic violations) since the last renewal? This includes expunged offenses and deferred adjudications with or without prejudice of guilt. Please note that DUI's, DWI's, PI's must be reported and are not considered minor traffic violations. (One time minor in possession [MIP] or minor in consumption [MIC] do not need to be disclosed, therefore, you may answer "No". If you have two or more MIP's or MIC's, you must answer "Yes".)"

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about March 16, 2005, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to DWLI, a Class A misdemeanor offense committed on August 31, 2004, in the County Court, Hill County, Texas, under Cause No. M117704. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent was deferred without entering an adjudication of guilt, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of six (6) months and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(a)(2)&(10)(eff. 9/1/2003), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(6)(I).

CHARGE XI.

On or about July 22, 2007, Respondent submitted a Online Renewal Document Licensed Vocational Nurse to the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in which he provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that he answered "No" to the question:

"Have you ever been convicted, placed on community supervision whether or not adjudicated guilty, sentenced to serve jail or prison time or granted pre-trial diversion, or plead guilty, no contest or nolo contendere to any crime in any state, territory or country, received a court

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order whether or not a sentence was imposed, including any pending criminal charges or unresolved arrest whether or not on appeal (excluding minor Class C traffic violations)? This includes expunged offenses and deferred adjudication with or without a finding of guilt. Please note that DUIs, DWIs, PI's must be reported and are not considered minor traffic violations. One time minor in possession [MIP] or minor in consumption [MIC] do not need to be disclosed; therefore, you may answer "No." If you have two or more MIPs or MICs, you must answer "Yes". You may answer "No" if you have previously disclosed a criminal matter otherwise responsive to this question in a renewal and/or licensure form."

Respondent failed to disclose the following:

On or about February 1, 2007, Respondent entered a plea of No Contest and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE LICENSE IS SUSPENDED 1st, a Class B Misdemeanor offense committed on November 16, 2005, in the County Court at Law No. 2, Ellis County, Texas, under Cause No. 0613043CR. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement for a period of three (3) days and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(6)(1)&(13).

CHARGE X.

On or about July 12, 2009, Respondent submitted a Online Renewal Document Licensed Vocational Nurse to the Texas Board of Nursing in which he provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that he answered "No" to the question:

"Have you, within the past 24 months or since your last renewal, for any criminal offense, including those pending appeal:

- 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 have 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?"

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about March 16, 2009, Respondent entered a plea of No Contest and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID WITH PREVIOUS CONVICTION, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on January 14, 2009, in the County Court at Law No. 1, Williamson County, Texas, under Cause No. 09004961. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement for a period of two (2) days. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

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The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(6)(I)&(13).

CHARGE XI.

On or about July 15, 2011, Respondent submitted a Online Renewal Document Licensed Vocational Nurse to the Texas Board of Nursing in which he provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that he answered "No" to the question:

"Have you, within the past 24 months or since your last renewal, for any criminal offense, including those pending appeal:

- 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 have 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?"

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about December 3, 2010, Respondent entered a plea of No Contest and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID/SUBSEQUENT, a Class B Misdemeanor offense committed on October 31, 2010, in the County Court at Law No. 1, Williamson County, Texas, under Cause No. 10-08386-1. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement for a period of two (2) days. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(6)(1)&(13).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license/s to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301, Texas Occupations Code and the Board's rules, 22 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 213.27 - 213.33 and TEX. OCC. CODE Ch. 53. Additionally, staff will seek to impose on Respondent the administrative costs of the proceeding pursuant to Section 301.461, Texas Occupations Code. The cost of proceedings shall include, but is not limited to, the cost paid by the Board to the State Office of Administrative Hearings and the Office of the Attorney General or other Board counsel for legal and investigative services, the cost of a court reporter and witnesses, reproduction of records, Board staff time, travel, and expenses. These shall be in an amount of at least one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200.00).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at the Board's website, <u>www.bon.texas.gov</u>.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on Adopted Disciplinary Guidelines for Criminal Conduct and on Adopted Disciplinary Sanction Policies for Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder, for Lying and Falsification, which can be found at the Board's website, <u>www.bon.texas.gov</u>.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, which can be found at <u>www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/discp-matrix.html</u>.

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