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BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of	§	AGREED
Registered Nurse License Number 561957	§	
issued to BEVERLY JOAN BRUMLOW	§	ORDER

An investigation by the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, produced evidence indicating that BEVERLY JOAN BRUMLOW, Registered Nurse License Number 561957, hereinafter referred to as Respondent, may be subject to discipline pursuant to Sections 301.452(b)(10)&(13) and 301.453, Texas Occupations Code.

An informal conference was held on September 16, 2014, at the office of the Texas

Board of Nursing, in accordance with Section 301.464, Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent appeared in person. Respondent appeared in person. In attendance were

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director; Kyle Hensley, Assistant General

Counsel; Anthony L. Diggs, MSCJ, Director, Enforcement Division; and Charlette Medearis, RN,

Investigator.

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 notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent's license to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.
- 4. Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas, on May 1, 1990. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 31, 1990.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

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8/1990 - 11/1994	Unknown	
12/1994 - 4/1996	Registered Nurse	San Antonio State Hospital San Antonio, Texas
5/1996 - 5/2001	Registered Nurse	Metropolitan Methodist Hospital San Antonio, Texas
7/2001 - 10/2002	Registered Nurse	Baptist Medical System San Antonio, Texas
11/2002 - 5/2003	Registered Nurse	Christus St. Joseph Hospital Houston, Texas
6/2003 - 9/2004	Registered Nurse	East Houston Regional Medical Center Houston, Texas
6/2007 - 2/2008	Registered Nurse	River Oaks Medical Center Houston, Texas
3/2011 - 7/2011	Registered Nurse	Czech Catholic Nursing Home Houston, Texas
8/2011 - 1/2013	Unknown	
2/2013 - current	Registered Nurse	Epic Health Care Houston, Texas

6. At the time of the incidents, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Epic Health Care, Houston, Texas, and had been in this position for six (6) months.

7. On or about August 3, 2013, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Epic Health Services, Houston, Texas, and assigned to Patient S. A. L, Respondent failed to report to the physician and mother that the patient slipped through the opening of a shower chair and developed a large red bruise to her left upper thigh. Respondent failed to assess and evaluate the status of patient after she noticed a redden area to the patient's left upper thigh. Respondent failed to document that the patient slipped and any follow up nursing care she provided. Respondent's conduct deprived the patient's physician of vital information that would be required to institute timely medical interventions to stabilize the patient and exposed the patient unnecessarily to a risk of harm from complications due to undiagnosed

and consequently untreated disease processes. Additional Respondent's conduct resulted in an incomplete medical record and was likely to deceive subsequent care givers of vital information on which to base further nursing care and interventions.

8. In response to the incidents in Finding of Fact Numbers Seven (7), Respondent states she did not report a fall to the mother or physician. Respondent states while she was showering the patient, the patient slipped thru the opening of her shower chair. Respondent states that she did notice a reddened area on the patient's left upper thigh once she was dressing the patient. Respondent states that she received a text from the patient's mother when the patient developed a bruise. Respondent states that she sent a text explaining that the patient must have gotten a bruise from slipping through the opening of her shower chair.

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 \$217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(D),(1)(M),(1)(P),&(3)(A) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)&(4).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 561957, heretofore issued to BEVERLY JOAN BRUMLOW, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

TERMS OF ORDER

I. SANCTION AND APPLICABILITY

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive

the sanction of WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS in accordance with the terms of this Order.

- A. This Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- B. This Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

C. Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state without first obtaining the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the nurse licensure compact party state where Respondent wishes to work.

II. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT agrees to 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.

III. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

In addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may require for

licensure renewal, RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education

course(s) within one (1) year of entry of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated:

- A. <u>A course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics</u> that shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, documentation of care, principles of nursing ethics, confidentiality, professional boundaries, and the Board's Disciplinary Sanction Policies regarding: Sexual Misconduct; Fraud, Theft and Deception; Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder; and Lying and Falsification. Courses focusing on malpractice issues will not be accepted. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.
- B. <u>A course in physical assessment</u> with a didactic portion of not less than six (6) hours. The course's content shall include physical assessment of all body systems. The course description shall indicate goals and objectives for the course, resources to be utilized, and the methods to be used to determine successful completion of the course.
- C. The course <u>"Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills,"</u> a 3.6 contact hour online program provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Learning Extension.

In order to receive credit for completion of this/these course(s), RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form or SHALL submit the continuing education certificate, as applicable, to the attention of Monitoring at the Board's office. RESPONDENT SHALL first obtain Board approval of any course prior to enrollment if the course is <u>not</u> being offered by a pre-approved provider. *Information about Board-approved courses and Verification of Course Completion forms are available from the Board at www.bon.texas.gov/compliance*.

IV. EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

In order to complete the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT must work as a nurse, providing direct patient care in a licensed healthcare setting, <u>for a minimum of sixty-four (64) hours</u> <u>per month</u> for four (4) quarterly periods [one (1) year] of employment. This requirement will not be satisfied until four (4) quarterly periods of employment as a nurse have elapsed. Any quarterly period without continuous employment with the same employer for all three (3) months <u>will not count towards completion of this requirement.</u> Periods of unemployment or of employment that do not require the use of a registered nurse (RN) or a vocational nurse (LVN) license, as appropriate, will not apply to this period and will not count towards completion of this requirement.

- A. Notifying Present and Future Employers: RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this of this Order, including all attachments, if any, within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this of this Order, including all attachments, if any, prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- **B.** Notification of Employment Forms: RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment" form to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment form" to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
- C. Incident Reporting: RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to immediately submit any and all incident, counseling, variance, unusual occurrence, and medication or other error reports involving RESPONDENT,

as well as documentation of any internal investigations regarding action by RESPONDENT, to the attention of Monitoring at the Board's office.

D. Nursing Performance Evaluations: RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board, periodic reports as to RESPONDENT'S capability to practice nursing. These reports shall be completed by the nurse who supervises the RESPONDENT and these reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) month quarterly period for four (4) quarters [one (1) year] of employment as a nurse.

V. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

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. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the entry of this 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 possible revocation of my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 1st day of October, 2014.

Beverly Joan Brumlen BEVERLY JOAN BRUMLOW, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15t day of <u>October</u>, 2014. en TW SEAL

JOHANA TREVINO My Commission Expires April 15, 2017

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the <u>1st</u> day of <u>October</u>, 2014, by BEVERLY JOAN BRUMLOW, Registered Nurse License Number 561957, and said Order is final.

Effective this <u>12th</u> day of <u>November</u>, 2014.

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

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