BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of

AGREED

Vocational Nurse License Number 213770

issued to LYSLE COURTNEY ENGLISH

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the considered the matter of LYSLE COURTNEY ENGLISH, Vocational Nurse License Number 213770, 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)(10)&(13), 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 October 7, 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).
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from San Jacinto College South, Houston, Texas, on December 14, 2007. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on January 8, 2008.

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5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

01/2008 - 03/2009

LVN

Triumph Clear Lake
Webster, Texas

03/2009 - 04/2012

LVN

Kindred Bay Area Hospital
Pasadena, Texas

05/2012 - Present

LVN

Atrium Medical Center
Stafford, Texas

- 6. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Kindred Hospital-Bay Area, Pasadena, Texas, and had been in this position for approximately three (3) years.
- 7. On or about April 24, 2012, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Kindred Hospital-Bay Area, Pasadena, Texas, Respondent violated Patient Medical Record Number's 00017845 privacy in that he posed, in an arm wrestling position, for a photograph with this patient who appeared to be sleeping or in an unconscious state, without the patient's consent. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure that patient in that the patient's picture was taken without the patient's authorization or consent.
- 8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven, Respondent states the photo was taken with the verbal consent and wishes of the patient. The witness to the verbal consent was his coworker. He didn't believe additional consent was necessary because the patients are required to sign a consent to treat when admitted, which includes giving consent to photograph the patient as long as its intended purpose is for treatment of the patient's condition. He states they had built a strong rapport with the patient during her stay and her spirit and morale were visibly diminishing at the time of the photograph. After a good bath, they asked the patient if she would like to see how good she looked. She consented, the picture was taken and shown to her, which lifted her morale and spirits. As soon as she looked at the photo, it was deleted. The photo was not shown or seen by anyone except for the patient, himself, and his coworker. The photo wasn't taken for any malicious intent or to achieve personal gain.

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)&(E). and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 213770, heretofore issued to LYSLE COURTNEY ENGLISH, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a REMEDIAL EDUCATION AND A FINE, and 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, while under the terms of this Order, this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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 nurse licensure compact 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, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully

complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is not 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) 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. 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 at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete the course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills," 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 program, RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. 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 at the following Board*

website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete the course "Patient Privacy," a 5.4 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 program, RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. Information regarding Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

(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 Texas Board of Nursing 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, 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 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(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 13 day of January, 2014.

IYSLE COURTNEY ENGLISH, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ______

Tiffany Lyn Mower 668931 MMISSION EXPIRES August 1, 2017 day o

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NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary Public in and for the State of _/

WHEREFORE	E, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive	Director, on behalf of
the Texas Board of Nursing, d	loes hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order t	hat was signed on the
13th day of Jan	nuary , 20 14 , by LYSLE CO	URTNEY ENGLISH
Vocational Nurse License Nu	amber 213770, and said Order is final.	
	Effective this 27th day of Janua	ary , 20 14
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	Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN	
	Executive Director on behalf of said Board	