In the Matter of	8	BEFORE THE TEXAS
Permanent Advanced Practice	8	DEFORE THE TEXAS
Registered Nurse License No. AP119040	§	
With Prescription Authorization No. 10237	§	
and Permanent Registered Nurse	§	
License No. 784525	§	
Issued to PRIANGLAM BROOKS,	§	
Respondent	§	<b>BOARD OF NURSING</b>

# Texas Board of Nursing. \*\*Methods of the Board Executive Director of the Board

# ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

TO: PRIANGLAM BROOKS
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A public meeting of the Texas Board of Nursing was held on February 17, 2015 at 333 Guadalupe, Room 3-460, Austin, Texas, in which the Temporary Suspension of Permanent Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License Number AP119040 with Prescription Authorization Number 10237, and Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 784525, issued to PRIANGLAM BROOKS was considered pursuant to Section 301.455, Texas Occupations Code. Staff of the Texas Board of Nursing appeared and presented information and evidence concerning the conduct of PRIANGLAM BROOKS and whether her continued practice as a nurse would constitute a continuing and imminent threat to the public welfare.

After review and due consideration of the evidence and information presented, the Board finds that the following charges are substantiated:

## CHARGE I.

On or about December 1, 2013 through December 19, 2014, while practicing as a Family Nurse Practitioner, and owner of Prillennium Healthcare, Houston, Texas, Respondent prescribed 8,614 dangerous cocktail drugs. Respondent's practice fell below the minimum standard of care in that she continually prescribed these dangerous cocktail drugs without regard to therapeutic benefit. Respondent repeatedly prescribed the same strength, dose, and quantity of hydrocodone, Soma, and/or alprazolam to patients, indicating a failure to individually assess each patient and develop an appropriate treatment plan in response to each patient's individual assessment.

Failure to develop a treatment plan that corresponds to a patient's individual assessment is below the minimum standard of care. Additionally, prescribing the maximum doses of hydrocodone, Soma, and alprazolam in such large quantities falls below the minimum standard of care because when mixed together in such unsupported quantities these Central Nervous System (CNS) depressants have greater risks than therapeutic benefit. Respondent's care is an imminent threat to public safety as her conduct puts patients at risk and falls below the minimum standard of care.

Respondent's conduct violates the following Sections of the Texas Administrative Code: 217.11(1)(A),(B),&(C), and (4); 217.12(1)(A)&(B), and (4); 221.13(a); and 222.8(a) and (b)(2)&(3). Respondent's non-therapeutic prescribing practices constitute grounds for disciplinary action under Section 222.10(a)(1) of the Texas Administrative Code and Section 301.452(b)(1),(10)&(13) of the Texas Occupations Code. The Board has authority to take disciplinary action under Section 301.453 of the Texas Occupations Code.

### CHARGE II.

On or about October 7, 2014 through December 12, 2014, while employed as a Family Nurse Practitioner and owner of Prillennium Healthcare, Houston, Texas, Respondent failed to practice and issue prescriptions in accordance with state and federal laws, rules, and regulations. During this time period, Respondent issued 410 prescriptions for hydrocodone, a Schedule II controlled substance, to patients not in a hospital setting or receiving hospice care. Respondent does not have prescriptive authority to issue prescriptions for Schedule II controlled substances. Respondent's prescribing practices, issuing prescriptions for Schedule II controlled substances, places patients at risk and endangers public safety.

Respondent's conduct violates 21 C.F.R. § 1308.12. Respondent's conduct also violates the following Sections of the Texas Administrative Code: 217.11(1)(A),(B),&(C), and (4); 217.12(1)(A)&(B), and (4), 221.13(a)&(b); and 222.8(a)&(c). Finally, Respondent's conduct violates Section 157.0511(b) of the Texas Occupations Code. Prescribing a Schedule II controlled substance constitutes grounds for disciplinary action under Section 301.452(b)(1),(10),&(13) of the Texas Occupations Code. Section 301.453 of the Texas Occupations Code authorizes the Board to take disciplinary action.

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The Texas Board of Nursing further finds that, given the nature of the charges, the continued

practice of nursing by PRIANGLAM BROOKS constitutes a continuing and imminent threat to

public welfare and that the temporary suspension of Permanent Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

License Number AP119040 with Prescription Authorization Number 10237, and Permanent

Registered Nurse License Number 784525, is justified pursuant to Section 301.455, TEXAS

OCCUPATIONS CODE.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

License Number AP119040 with Prescription Authorization Number 10237, and Permanent

Registered Nurse License Number 784525, issued to PRIANGLAM BROOKS, to practice nursing

in the State of Texas be, and the same is/are, hereby SUSPENDED IMMEDIATELY in accordance

with Section 301.455, TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a probable cause hearing be conducted in accordance with

Section 301.455(c) not later than seventeen (17) days following the date of the entry of this order,

and a final hearing on the matter be conducted in accordance with 301.455(d) not later than the 61st

day following the date of the entry of this order.

Entered this 17th day of February, 2015.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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# FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b) of the Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, PRIANGLAM BROOKS, is an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse, holding License Number AP119040, with Prescription Authorization Number 10237. Respondent is also a Registered Nurse, holding License Number 784525. Both of Respondent's licenses are in current status at the time of this pleading.

Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged, warranting adverse licensure action, was sent to Respondent at her address of record. Prior to commencement of this proceeding, Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for purposes of retaining her license(s).

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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. 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, <a href="www.bon.texas.gov">www.bon.texas.gov</a>.

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

Filed this 17th day of February, 2015.

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