IN THE MATTER OF PERMANENT VOCATIONAL NURSE LICENSE NUMBER 319209 ISSUED TO SHERRI LEAH LITTLEJOHN RESPONDENT § BEFORE THE TEXAS
§ BOARD OF NURSING
§ ELIGIBILITY AND
§ DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE
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ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: SHERRI LEAH LITTLEJOHN 1700 MAIN STREET #18 TEAGUE, TX 75860

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on March 10, 2015, the Texas Board of Nursing Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled 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 319209, previously issued to SHERRI LEAH LITTLEJOHN, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is 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 10th day of March, 2015.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

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

Attachment: Formal Charges filed January 9, 2015.

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In the Matter of \$ BEFORE THE TEXAS
Permanent Vocational Nurse \$
License Number 319209 \$
Issued to SHERRI LEAH LITTLEJOHN, \$
Respondent \$ BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, SHERRI LEAH LITTLEJOHN, is a Vocational Nurse holding License Number 319209, 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 July 9, 2014, Respondent was issued an Order by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing wherein Respondent's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Arkansas was SUSPENDED for a period of two (2) years, to be followed by PROBATION for a period of three (3) years. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order dated July 9, 2014, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(8), Texas Occupations Code.

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, www.bon.texas.gov.

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

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Respondent's past disciplinary history, as set out below and

described in the Order(s) which is/are attached and incorporated by reference as part of these charges, will be offered in support of the disposition recommended by staff: Arkansas State Board of Nursing Order dated July 9, 2014.

Filed this 9th day of January , 20 15

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Attachments: Arkansas State Board of Nursing Order dated July 9, 2014.

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FORMAL DISCIPLINARY DOCUMENT

RE: SHERRI LEAH HUMPHREY LETÖURNEAU LITTLEJOHN

Regarding your request for information about the above-named practitioner; attached is a true and correct copy of the document on file with the Arkansas State Board of Nursing Discipline Department. These records are considered Certified by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing.

Certain information may have been withheld pursuant to Arkansas state laws. While those laws require that most records be disclosed on request; they may also state that certain information should not be disclosed.

The following information has been withheld: NONE

Sue A. Tedford, MNSc, RN ASBN Executive Director



BEFORE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF:

SHERRI LEAH HUMPHREY LETOURNEAU LITTLEJOHN LPN LICENSE NO. L034247 (EXPIRED)

FINDINGS OF FACT
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

A hearing on the captioned matter was held before the Arkansas State Board of Nursing (hereinafter referred to as "the Board"), on July 9, 2014, in the Board Room of the Arkansas State Board of Nursing, 1123 South University, Suite 800, Little Rock, Arkansas. The Board was represented by its General Counsel, William F. Knight. Sherri Leah Humphrey Letourneau Littlejohn, Licensed Practical Nurse (hereinafter referred to as "Respondent"), failed to appear before the Board and was not represented by rounsel. The Order and Notice of Hearing was mailed to Respondent on June 19, 2014. On the basis of testimony and other evidence presented, the Board made the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is licensed as a Licensed Practical nurse and holds License No. L034247.
- 2. Respondent was terminated about March 19, 2013 by the Heartland Rehabilitation and Care Center, Benton, Arkansas, for violation of policies and procedures.
- 3. Respondent admitted to her supervisor she attempted to deceive the facility when she brought someone else's urine in for a for-cause drug screen.
- 4. Respondent admitted to her supervisor, her urine would be positive for Marijuana and Hydrocodone she had taken from a family member. Respondent did not have a prescription for Hydrocodone in her name.

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5. Respondent's documentation for three (3) patient records was reviewed for the date range March 17, 2013 to March 18, 2013. A total of 25mg of Hydrocodone is unaccounted for.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §17-87-309, the Board has subject matter and personal jurisdiction in this matter.
 - Respondent is guilty of violating Ark. Code Ann. §17-87-309(a)(4) and (a)(6).

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the license issued to Respondent be SUSPENDED for two (2) years, to be followed by probation for three (3) years, with the following conditions subject to reinstatement:

- 1. Respondent must immediately notify the Board in writing of any change, even a temporary one, in name or address.
- 2. Respondent must provide evidence of evaluation for treatment of addictive behavior. Acceptable evidence shall consist of an in-depth psychological/addiction evaluation with appropriate testing by a Board approved practitioner who specializes in addiction disorders being sent directly to the Board. Respondent shall supply a copy of the Board's Order to the evaluator. The evaluation must contain evidence that the evaluator knows the reason for the referral. The evaluator must specifically advise the Board that the nurse is presently able to engage in the safe practice of nursing or recommend the conditions, if any, under which safe practice could occur. Respondent will execute any release necessary to give the Board access to

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records, including but not limited to medical, psychological, employment, and or criminal records. Failure to execute a release shall be grounds for disciplinary action against Respondent's license / privilege to practice.

- 3. Respondent shall attend AA/NA, or other Board approved treatment program and must submit quarterly reports to the Board. Respondent shall provide acceptable evidence of attendance. Acceptable evidence shall consist of completion of the disciplinary form: Aftercare Meetings Report.
- 4. Respondent shall attend at least three (3) AA/NA or other Board approved support group meetings a week during the period of supervision or follow the evaluator's recommendations are greater.
- 5. Respondent must submit to observed, random drug screens. The drug screens must meet the criteria established by the Board and be conducted through a Board-approved drug screen monitoring program and laboratory. Contact must be made with a Board-approved drug screen-monitoring program within five (5) business days of receipt of this Order. Respondent cannot submit specimens at the Respondent's place of employment or practice site. Respondent cannot collect any drug screen ordered by the Board of Nursing. Respondent must contact the drug screening company daily. If selected for testing, Respondent shall present for a drug screen the same day of the notification and shall have two (2) hours to have the specimen collected.
- 6. Respondent must abstain at all times from the use of controlled or abuse potential substances, including alcohol, except as prescribed by a licensed practitioner from whom

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by-product containing the same. Respondent shall inform all licensed practitioners who authorize prescriptions of controlled or abuse potential substances of Respondent's dependency on controlled or abuse potential substances, and Respondent shall cause all such licensed practitioners to submit a written report identifying the medication, dosage, and the date the medication was prescribed. The report shall be submitted directly to the Board by the prescribing practitioners within ten (10) days of the date of the prescription.

- 7. Respondent must provide evidence of successful completion of a continuing education course approved by the Board staff and submit a paper acceptable to Board Staff upon completion of each course, in the following: Nurse Practice Act, The Nurse and Professional Behaviors, and Documentation.
- 8. Respondent is responsible for submitting a personal report to accompany required data to the Board on a quarterly basis.
- 9. Respondent's responsibility and duty is to insure that all required reports are submitted to the Board on a quarterly basis.
- 10. Respondent shall obey all federal, state, and local laws, and all rules governing the practice of nursing in this state.
- 11. All costs involved in complying with the Board's Order shall be borne by the Respondent.
- 12. Failure to comply with the terms of the Board's Order could result in further disciplinary action by the Board.

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- 13. Respondent shall request license reinstatement to probation in a registered letter to the Board once compliance with the Board's suspension Order is met.
- 14. All conditions of the suspension period regarding treatment programs, random drug screens, and abstinence will continue through the probation period.
- 15. While on probation, if working as a nurse, Respondent must notify each employer of the Board's Order and must practice under an employer-monitored nurse contract. The employer must submit to the Board a copy of the employer-monitored nurse contract and quarterly Performance Evaluation Reports.
- 16. Respondent must work under direct supervision in any setting. Direct supervision requires another nurse to be working in the same setting as Respondent and readily available to provide assistance and intervention.
 - 17. Respondent may not be employed in critical care, hospice or home health settings.
- 18. Respondent may not work outside the State of Arkansas in another compact licensure state without written permission of the Arkansas State Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the compact licensure state where Respondent wishes to work.
- 19. Verification of termination of the probationary period shall be requested in a registered letter to the Board.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent pay a civil penalty of \$2,837.00 pursuant to Arkansas Code Ann. §17-87-104(b)(1). The civil penalty is to be paid within fifteen (15) calendar days following the date for appeal.

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Respondent may request judicial review of the decision rendered by the Board by filing a petition in the circuit court of any county in which Respondent resides or does business or in the Circuit Court of Pulaski County within thirty (30) days after service upon Respondent of the Board's final decision.

DATED this 9th day of July, 2014.

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Deborah L. Jones, ASBN Assistant Director, do hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing document by mailing a copy of same by certified, return receipt requested, U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, this 18th day of July, 2014, to the following:

Sherri Leah Humphrey Letourneau Littlejohn 116 Tyler St. Teague, Tx. 75860

DEBORAH L/JONES, RN, MNS

Re: Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 319209 Issued to SHERRI LEAH LITTLEJOHN DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 11	th day of March	, 2015), a true and correct
copy of the foregoing DEFAULT OR	CDER was served and add	ressed to the following person(s), as
follows:		
Via USPS Certified Mail, Return Re SHERRI LEAH LITTLEJOH 1700 MAIN STREET #18 TEAGUE, TX 75860		
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