BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of
Registered Nurse License Number 727357
issued to RHONDA JEAN HALL



ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 727357, issued to RHONDA JEAN HALL, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.
- 3. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from California State University, Fresno, California, on June 1, 1972. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of New Mexico on December 31, 1996, and in the State of Texas on May 15, 2006.
- 4. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

1972 - 1973	Registered Nurse	Vallejo General Hospital Vallejo, California
1973 - 1976	Registered Nurse	Solano County Public Health Department Vallejo, California

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

1976 - 1991	Registered Nurse	Sonoma County Public Health Department Santa Rosa, California
1991 - 1994	Registered Nurse	Office of Dr. Richard Adams Santa Rosa, California
1994 - 1996	Registered Nurse	Santa Rosa OB/GYN Medical Group Santa Rosa, California
1/1997 - 12/2001	Registered Nurse	Office of Dr. Richard Adams Carlsbad, New Mexico
1/2002 - 12/2003	Registered Nurse	Department of Health State of New Mexico Hobbs, New Mexico
2/2004 - 1/2006	Registered Nurse	Golden Services Home Health and Hospice Carlsbad, New Mexico
2/2006 - 12/2006		Unknown
1/2007 - 8/2008	Registered Nurse	Kimble Hospital Home Health Junction, Texas
9/2008 - 8/2009	Registered Nurse	Country Home Health Care Mason, Texas
9/2009 - 3/2010		Unknown
4/2010 - Present	Registered Nurse	Peterson Regional Medical Center Kerrville, Texas

- 5. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Peterson Regional Medical Center, Kerrville, Texas, and had been in that position for four (4) years and six (6) months.
- 6. On or about October 10, 2014, while working as a Registered Nurse with Peterson Regional Medical Center, Kerrville, Texas, Respondent injected 1 mL Ephedrine Sulfate (50 mg/mL) via intramuscular (IM) route into Patient Number M630493, a newborn, instead of the ordered Aqua Mephyton 1mg/0.5 mL (Vitamin K). The patient was transferred to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) of Methodist Children's Hospital, San Antonio, Texas

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for monitoring. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient from adverse reactions from receiving the incorrect medication such as hypertension and respiratory difficulties.

- 7. Formal Charges were filed on January 30, 2015.
- 8. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on February 2, 2015.
- 9. On May 7, 2015, the Board received a statement from Respondent voluntarily surrendering the right to practice nursing in Texas. A copy of Respondent's statement, dated May 6, 2015, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

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)(C)&(3)(A), and 217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(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 727357, heretofore issued to RHONDA JEAN HALL, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- 5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
- 6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
- 7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TAC§§213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

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ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 727357, heretofore issued to RHONDA JEAN HALL, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is/are accepted by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

- 1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice professional nursing, use the title of "registered nurse" or the abbreviation "RN" or wear any insignia identifying herself as a registered nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a/an registered nurse during the period in which the license/s is/are surrendered.
- 2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order.
- 3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

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.

Effective this 7th day of May, 2015.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By:

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

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of said Board

Rhonda Jean Hall 1310 Sd 29100 Junction, Texas 76849 Registered Nurse License Number 727357

Voluntary Surrender Statement

Dear Texas Board of Nursing:

I no longer desire to be licensed as a nurse. Accordingly, I voluntarily surrender my license(s) to practice in Texas. I waive representation by counsel and consent to the entry of an Order which outlines requirements for reinstatement of my license. I understand that I may not petition for reinstatement until one (1) year from the effective date of the Order. I understand that I will be required to comply with the Board's Rules and Regulations in effect at the time I submit any petition for reinstatement.

Registered Nurse License Number 727357

The State of Texas

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared RHONDA JEAN HALL who, being duly sworn by me, stated that he or she executed the above for the purpose therein contained and that he or she understood same.

Sworn to before me the 25

Notary Public in and for the State of 19405