### BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of \$ AGREED Registered Nurse License Number 571479 \$ & Vocational Nurse License Number 130740 \$ issued to SHERI STARKEY \$ ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of SHERI STARKEY, Registered Nurse License Number 571479 and Vocational Nurse License Number 130740, 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)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on August 14, 2015.

### **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 vocational nurse in the State of Texas is in delinquent status. Respondent's license to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas, on August 16, 1990, and an Associate Degree in Nursing from Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas, on May 1, 1991. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on November 28, 1990, and Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 26, 1991.

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- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.
- 6. On or about January 23, 2014, Respondent was issued the sanction of a WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order dated January 23, 2014, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 7. On or about January 24, 2015, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to Respondent on January 23, 2014, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number One (1) of the order which reads, in pertinent part:
  - (1) "RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics..."
- 8. On or about January 24, 2015, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to Respondent on January 23, 2014, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Two (2) of the order which reads, in pertinent part:
  - (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..."
- 9. In response to Finding of Fact Numbers Seven (7), and Eight (8), Respondent states she unintentionally missed her deadline for her continuing education courses and she did not receive any of the correspondences prior to the notice letter.
- 10. Formal Charges were filed on June 17, 2015.
- 11. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on June 18, 2015.

### **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 §217.12(11)(B).

- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 571479 and Vocational Nurse License Number 130740, heretofore issued to SHERI STARKEY.
- 5. Pursuant to Section 301.463(d), Texas Occupations Code, this Agreed Order is a settlement agreement under Rule 408, Texas Rules of Evidence, in civil or criminal litigation.

### **TERMS OF ORDER**

## I. SANCTION AND APPLICABILITY

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of **REPRIMAND AND A FINE** 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.

### II. MONETARY FINE

RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) 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.

## III. COMPLIANCE WITH PRIOR ORDER

The Order of the Board issued to RESPONDENT on June 8, 2010, is still in effect in its entirety and RESPONDENT SHALL be responsible for completing the terms of that Order within six (6) months from the date of this Order.

# IV. 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.

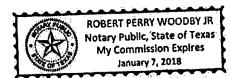
I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the entry of this Order, and any conditions of said Order, to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of 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 18 day of Sept	_, 20 <u>/5</u> .
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SHERI STARKEY, Respondent	

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10 day of 5717, 20/

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the <u>18th</u> day of <u>September</u>, 20<u>15</u>, by SHERI STARKEY, Registered Nurse License Number 571479 and Vocational Nurse License Number 130740, and said Order is final.

Effective this 10th day of November, 2015.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

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In the Matter of \$ AGREED Registered Nurse License Number 571479 \$ & Vocational Nurse License Number 130740 \$ issued to SHERI CRAWFORD STARKEY \$ ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of SHERI CRAWFORD STARKEY, Registered Nurse License Number 571479, and Vocational Nurse License Number 130740, 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)(13) and 301.453, 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 December 16, 2013, subject to ratification by the Board.

## **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 professional nursing in the State of Texas and holds a vocational license which is in delinquent status.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas on August 16, 1990. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on November 28, 1990. Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas on May 1, 1991. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 26, 1991.

5. Respondent's vocational and professional nursing employment history includes:

11/90-2/97	Unknown	
3/97-6/07	RN	Paris Nursing & Rehab Paris, Texas
7/06-6/07	RN	Bridgeway Hospice Fort Worth, Texas
6/07-11/09	RN	Cityview Care Center Fort Worth, Texas
11/09-10/10	RN	Renaissance at Kessler Park Dallas, Texas
10/10-1/11	RN	The Carlyle at Stonebridge Park Southlake, Texas
2/11-Present	Unknown	

- 6. At the time of the initial incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent was employed as a registered nurse with The Carlyle at Stonebridge Park, Southlake, Texas, and had been in this position for approximately one (1) month.
- 7. On or about October 31, 2010, while employed with The Carlyle At Stonebridge Park, Southlake, Texas, Respondent failed to notify the physician to request pain medication orders, or failed to document that she notified the physician for pain medication orders, for Patient #184 after it was discovered the patient had fallen and there were no orders for pain medication. Respondent documented the patient was in pain per the nurses' notes and patient's Pain Record throughout her twelve (12) hour shift, yet there was no documentation that pain medication was requested or given to the patient. A hip fracture was later confirmed. Respondent's conduct may have deprived the physician or other medical care providers of the opportunity to institute timely medical interventions that could have prevented the patient from being in pain for an extended period of time.

## **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).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 571479, and Vocational Nurse License Number 130740, heretofore issued to SHERI CRAWFORD STARKEY, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS, 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 Texas Board of Nursing 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: <a href="http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html">http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html</a>.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A NURSE IN THE

PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR OTHER CLINICAL SETTING AND RESPONDENT MUST WORK IN SUCH SETTING A MINIMUM OF SIXTY-FOUR (64) HOURS PER MONTH UNDER THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS FOR ONE (1) YEAR OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE STIPULATION PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH TWELVE (12) MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. 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 STIPULATION PERIOD:

- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT'S license(s). RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each present employer within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT'S license(s). RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each future employer prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
  - (5) 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.

(6) 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. These reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) month period for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.

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 this Otder is subject to ratification by the Board. When this Order is ratified, the terms of this Order become effective, and 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 pursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

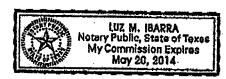
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SHERI CRAWFORD STARKEY, RESPONDENT

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 17th day of December, 2013, by SHERI CRAWFORD STARKEY, Registered Nurse License Number 571479, and Vocational Nurse License Number 130740, and said Order is final.

Effective this 23rd day of January, 2014.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf of said Board