IN THE MATTER OF PERMANENT PERMANENT REGISTERED NURSE LICENSE NUMBER 744001 ISSUED TO MIRANDA MORRIS, RESPONDENT

§ § BEFORE THE TEXAS

BOARD OF NURSING

§ § **ELIGIBILITY**

AND

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO:

MIRANDA MORRIS 2308 AMERICAN DR LAGO VISTA, TX 78645

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on Tuesday, February 9, 2016, 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.

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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 Registered Nurse License Number

744001, previously issued to MIRANDA MORRIS, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and

the same is/are 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 9th day of February, 2016.

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BY:

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

Attachment:

Formal Charge filed October 16, 2015.

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Re: Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 744001

Issued to MIRANDA MORRIS

DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 10 day of February, 20/6 a true and	d correct
copy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served and addressed to the following pers	on(s), as
follows:	
Via USPS Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested MIRANDA MORRIS	

Via USPS First Class Mail

2308 AMERICAN DR LAGO VISTA, TX 78645

BY:

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

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In the Matter of \$ BEFORE THE TEXAS
Permanent Registered Nurse \$
License Number 744001 \$
Issued to MIRANDA MORRIS, \$
Respondent \$ BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, MIRANDA MORRIS, is a Registered Nurse holding License Number 744001, 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.

From May 20, 2015, through present, Respondent may lack fitness to practice professional nursing with reasonable skill and safety, in that she was diagnosed with a substance abuse disorder and a mental health condition, both of which could result in an injury to a patient or the public. Additionally, Respondent exhibited impaired behavior when she composed an email to her employer that contained discordant thoughts and distressing statements. Respondent's conduct could affect her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in a patients' condition, and could affect her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgements, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(4)&(5).

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).

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NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on adopted policies related to Substance Use Disorders and Other Alcohol and Drug Related Conduct, which can be found under the "Discipline & Complaints; Board Policies & Guidelines" section of 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, located at 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §213.33(b), which can be found under the "Discipline & Complaints; Board Policies & Guidelines" section of the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

Filed this 16th day of Dotolon, 2015.

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