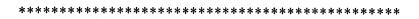
BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of

§ AGREED

Registered Nurse License Number 585092

issued to PATTI GALE WILLIAMSON

§ ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of PATTI GALE WILLIAMSON, Registered Nurse License Number 585092, 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)(10)&(13), 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 November 23, 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 professional nurse in the State of Texas is in delinquent status.
- 4. Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Tarleston State University, Stephenville, Texas, on May 1, 1992. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 31, 1992.
- 5. Respondent's professional nursing employment history includes:

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RN

Eastland Memorial Hospital Eastland, Texas

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accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.

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Respondent's professional nursing employment history continued:

| 1992 - 12/93 | RN | Cross Timbers Home Health & Hospice Deleon, Texas |
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| 01/94 - 02/00 | RN | Hendrick Medical Center Abilene, Texas |
| 02/00 - Unknown | RN | Arlington Memorial Hospital Arlington, Texas |
| 12/00 - 05/15 | RN | Hendrick Medical Center Abilene, Texas |
| 06/15 - Present | Unknown | |

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Hendrick Medical Center, Abilene, Texas, and had been in that position for fourteen (14) years and four (4) months.
- 7. On or about April 22, 2015, while employed as a staff nurse in the PACU II Unit at Henrick Medical Center, Abilene, Texas, Respondent failed to administer a dose of Plavix to Patient Number 1129963 as ordered. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that failing to administer a medication, as ordered by the physician, could result in non-efficacious treatment.
- 8. On or about April 22, 2015, while employed as a staff nurse in the PACU II Unit at Henrick Medical Center, Abilene, Texas, Respondent inappropriately administered a dose of Plavix to Patient Number 1245720. The medication was not ordered to be given until the following day. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that failing to correctly administer a medication, as ordered by the physician, could result in the patient suffering from adverse reactions.
- 9. On or about May 1, 2015, while employed as a staff nurse in the PACU II Unit at Henrick Medical Center, Abilene, Texas, Respondent failed to complete an ordered lab test, the ACT (activated clotting time), on Patient Number 0758761, before Respondent removed the patient's catheterization sheath. After complaining of spasms in the lower abdomen, the patient was determined to have a retroperitoneal bleed and was transferred to the intensive care unit (ICU) where the patient received several units of blood. Respondent's conduct unnecessarily exposed the patient to risk of harm from infection and/or complications associated with abnormal bleeding.

10. In response to Findings of Fact Numbers Seven (7) through Nine (9), Respondent admits the three episodes took place as stated. Respondent further states that in late March to early April of 2015, Respondent noticed she was forgetful, had poor focus, difficulty learning, and difficulty finding the right words. Respondent states she saw her physician and was put on a medical leave of absence due to mental decline associated with Dementia. Respondent states she will not be able to continue nursing.

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 \S 217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)&(3) 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 585092, heretofore issued to PATTI GALE WILLIAMSON.
- 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 **WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS** and Respondent's license(s) shall be placed in **INACTIVE** status.

Should RESPONDENT decide in the future to reactivate his/her license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, RESPONDENT SHALL be required to satisfy all then existing requirements for reactivation and RESPONDENT'S reactivated license(s) SHALL BE subject to, at a minimum, the remedial education courses, work restrictions, supervised practice, and employer

reporting which would have been requirements of this Order had Respondent not chosen to inactivate his/her nursing license(s).

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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. I further understand that, should I decide in the future to reactivate my license(s), I will be required to satisfy, at a minimum, the additional requirements that would have been part of this Order had the license(s) not been placed in inactive status, as stated herein, as well as all then existing requirements for reactivation.

Signed this 3/54 day of Alcember, 20/15.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3/5t day of Accember, 20/5.

Melinda C. Phelps

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Notary Public in and for the State of Leurs

MELINDA C. PHELPS Notary Public, State of Texas My Commission Expires May 11, 2016

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the <u>31st</u> day of <u>December</u>, 20<u>15</u>, by PATTI GALE WILLIAMSON, Registered Nurse License Number 585092, and said Order is final.

Effective this 9th day of February, 2016.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board