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*William J. Thomas*  
Executive Director of the Board

## BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of	§	AGREED
Registered Nurse License Number 515319	§	
issued to CYNTHIA ANN FRY OKROJ	§	ORDER

An investigation by the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, produced evidence indicating that CYNTHIA ANN FRY OKROJ, Registered Nurse License Number 515319, hereinafter referred to as Respondent, may be subject to discipline pursuant to Sections 301.452(b)(1),(10)&(13) and 301.453, Texas Occupations Code.

An informal conference was conducted on July 26, 2016, in accordance with Section 301.464, Texas Occupations Code. Respondent appeared in person. Respondent was represented by Noelle C. Letteri, Attorney at Law.

This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code. The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

### 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 current status.
4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from the University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware, on June 1, 1975, and received a Master's Degree in Nursing from the University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas, in 1985. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on July 9, 1984.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

1975-1981	Staff Nurse	VA Hospital Maryland, NY, and Delaware
1981-1984	Instructor	King Fahd Military Hospital Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
1985	Staff Nurse	Holy Cross Hospital Austin, Texas
1986-1987	Nursing Instructor	King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
1988-1991	Head of Surgical Nursing	King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
1992-1993	Nurse Manager	John Hopkins Hospital Baltimore, Maryland
1993-1995	Nurse Manager	Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center Waco, Texas
1995-1998	Director of Nursing	The Arab Center for Heart and Special Surgery Amman, Jordan
1997-1998	Nursing Supervisor	King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
1998-2000	Deputy Director of Nursing	Hamad Medical Corporation Doha, Qatar
2001-2013	Nurse/Embassy Health Officer	Embassy of the United States of America Doha, Qatar
11/2013-Present	Owner/CEO	Bon Accord Allergy and Wellness LLC Lago Vista, Texas

6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as the Owner and CEO of Bon Accord Allergy and Wellness LLC, Lago Vista, Texas, and had been in that position for one (1) year and two (2) months.
7. On or about January 19, 2015, through April 15, 2015, while employed as the Owner and CEO of Bon Accord Allergy and Wellness LLC, Lago Vista, Texas, and licensed as a Registered Nurse, Respondent failed to recognize that Patient JP was showing signs and symptoms suggestive of medical and/or mental health disorders that required referral to medical and/or psychiatric practitioners, and instead continued treating the patient holistically. The patient described physical complaints of blurred vision, jerking/buzzing sensations, shaking, feeling physically ill, pain in her back and arm; expressed concerns that her life was in danger; and described continued audio and visual hallucinations. The patient was subsequently diagnosed by medical providers with a brain tumor. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient from a delay in appropriate medical diagnosis and treatment.
8. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that she is not providing any medical treatment, but her services focus on energy healing known as the Emotion Code and the Body Code System, meant to balance the body's energy, relieve stress, and support the body's natural ability to heal. Respondent adds that when she first meets with clients, she provides them with client information including documents the clients sign attesting that they understand that the sessions are not meant to replace treatment by established medical practice but to complement them. Regarding JP, Respondent states that she provided services to JP on a regular basis, initially for difficulties sleeping and later for left arm and leg pain, until mid-March 2015. Respondent states that JP reported feeling relief after the sessions. Respondent states that when JP reported blurred vision, she suggested that the patient have her vision checked. Respondent states that on April 2, 2015, JP called Respondent from Houston, where she had moved to receive conventional medical and pastoral care, and they spoke on the phone and emailed four (4) times during April. Respondent states that JP informed her that the medical doctors had found "spots on her right lower brain" and were suggesting surgery. Respondent states that on June 7, 2015, JP reported that she was on medications, and Respondent provided services to her two (2) more times in late June via email, through July 5, 2015, which was the last contact they had together.
9. Respondent, by her signature to this Order, expresses her desire to voluntarily surrender her license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

#### 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 §§217.10(a)(9), 217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(M),(1)(P),(1)(Q)&(3)(A) and 217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(4).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(1),(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 515319, heretofore issued to CYNTHIA ANN FRY OKROJ, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
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.
6. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
7. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
8. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

### **TERMS OF ORDER**

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that the **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER** of Registered Nurse License Number 515319, heretofore issued to CYNTHIA ANN FRY OKROJ, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Texas Board of Nursing.

In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice professional/registered nursing, use the title "registered nurse" or the abbreviation "RN" or wear any insignia identifying herself/himself as a registered nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a registered nurse during the period in which the license is surrendered.
2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until at least 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.

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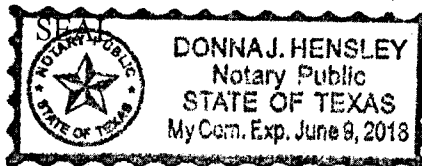
RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. 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 this Order becomes final when accepted by the Executive Director at which time the terms of this Order become effective and a copy will be mailed to me.

Signed this 24 day of AUGUST, 2016.

Cynthia Ann Fry Okroj  
CYNTHIA ANN FRY OKROJ, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of August, 2016.



Donna J. Hensley  
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Approved as to form and substance.

Noelle C. Letteri  
Noelle C. Letteri, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 25 day of August, 2016.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby accept the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 515319, previously issued to CYNTHIA ANN FRY OKROJ.

Effective this 25th day of August, 2016.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Katherine A. Thomas".

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