IN THE MATTER OF PERMANENT	§	BEFORE THE TEXAS
PERMANENT REGISTERED NURSE	§	
LICENSE NUMBER 651649 &	§	BOARD OF NURSING
PERMANENT VOCATIONAL NURSE	§	
LICENSE NUMBER 160484	§	ELIGIBILITY AND
ISSUED TO	§	
JASON HINDS,	§	DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE
RESPONDENT	§	

# ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: JASON HINDS 425 S SHOREWOOOD GRANITE SHOALS, TX 78654 xecutive Director of the Board

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on June 13, 2017, 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.

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

651649 and Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 160484, previously issued to JASON

HINDS, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same 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 13th day of June, 2017.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment: For

Formal Charge filed January 3, 2017.

d17r(RN-LVN)(2016.05.11)

Re: Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 651649 & Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 160484 Issued to JASON HINDS DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the Uth day of , 20	, a true and correct
copy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served and addressed to the f	following person(s), as
follows:	
Via USPS Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested JASON HINDS	

Via USPS First Class Mail

**425 S SHOREWOODD** 

**GRANITE SHOALS, TX 78654** 

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 651649 &	· §	
Permanent Vocational Nurse	` <b>§</b>	
License Number 160484	§	
Issued to JASON HINDS,	§	•
Respondent	§	BOARD OF NURSING

### FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, JASON HINDS, is a Registered Nurse holding License Number 651649, which is in delinquent status at the time of this pleading, and is a Vocational Nurse holding License Number 160484, which is in delinquent 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.

#### CHARCE I

On or about April 17, 2016, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to him on April 16, 2015, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of his failure to comply with Stipulation Number III, subsection A which states, in pertinent part:

ERESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated: A Board-approved course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics...

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).

A copy of the April 16, 2015, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

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### CHARGE II.

On or about April 17, 2016, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to him on April 16, 2015, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of his failure to comply with Stipulation Number III, subsection B which states, in pertinent part:

...RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated: A Board-approved course in medication administration...

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).;

A copy of the April 16, 2015, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

#### CHARGE III.

On or about April 17, 2016, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to him on April 16, 2015, by the Texas Board of Nursing Noncompliance is the result of his failure to comply with Stipulation Number III, subsection C which states, in pertinent part:

...RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated; A Board-approved course in physical assessment...

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).

A copy of the April 16, 2015, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

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#### CHARGE IV.

On or about April 17, 2016, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to him on April 16, 2015, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of his failure to comply with Stipulation Number III, subsection D which states, in pertinent part:

...RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated; A Board-approved course in nursing documentation...

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).

A copy of the April 16, 2015, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

### CHARGE V.

On or about April 17, 2016, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to him on April 16, 2015, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of his failure to comply with Stipulation Number III, subsection E which states, in pertinent part:

...RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated; The course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills,"...

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).

A copy of the April 16, 2015, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

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).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at 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.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Respondent's past disciplinary history, as set out below and described in the Order(s) which is/are attached and incorporated by reference as part of these charges, will be offered in support of the disposition recommended by staff: Agreed Order dated November 9, 2010, and Agreed Order dated April 16, 2015.

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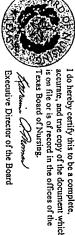
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Agreed Order dated November 9, 2010 Attachments:

Agreed Order dated April 16, 2015

# BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of \$ AGREED Registered Nurse License Number 651649 \$ & Vocational Nurse License Number 160484 \$ issued to JASON HINDS \$ ORDER



On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of JASON HINDS, Registered Nurse License Number 651649 and Vocational Nurse License Number 160484, 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 houring and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas

MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on January 8, 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 Odessa College, Odessa, Texas, on August 16, 1996, and received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Odessa College, Odessa, Texas, on December 1, 1997. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on October 30, 1996, and was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on June 23, 1998.

# 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

10/1996-7/1998	Unknown	
8/1998 - Unknown	Staff Nurse	Odessa Medical Center Odessa, Texas
7/1999 - 2001	Staff Nurse	American Mobile Healthcare San Diego, California
9/2001 - 2005	Staff Nurse	Nursing Professionals by Contract Fort Worth, Texas
2005 - Unknown	Staff Nurse	Gentiva Fort Worth, Texas
2006 Unknown	Staff Nurse	Paradigm Rehab and Nursing Tyler, Texas
2007 - Unknown	Staff Nurse	Brookdale Senior Living
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2008 - Unknown	Staff Nurse	Unknown  Home Health Services Unknown
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2009 - Unknown	Staff Nurse	Home Health Services Unknown Guardian Healthcare Unknown Perfect Home Care
2009 - Unknown 2009 - Unknown	Staff Nurse Staff Nurse	Home Health Services Unknown  Guardian Healthcare Unknown  Perfect Home Care Unknown  All Care Professional Home Health

- On or about November 9, 2010, Respondent's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas was issued the sanction of WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS through an Agreed Order by the Board. A copy of the Agreed Order, including the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order dated November 9, 2010, is attached and incorporated by reference as part of this Order.
- 7. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Staff Nurse with Seton Highland Lakes Hospital, Burnet, Texas, and had been in that position for two (2) years and ten (10) months.
- 8. On or about February 13, 2014, while employed as a Staff Nurse with Seton Highland Lakes Hospital, Burnet, Texas, Respondent failed to administer Sodium Phosphate 15ml intravenously (IV) as required per sliding scale to Patient Number 301549, whose Phosphate lab result was 2.2mg/dL. Subsequently, the patient's following Phosphate lab value decreased to 1.5mg/dL. Respondent's conduct placed the patient at a risk of harm from complications of low blood serum Phosphate levels, including possible nausea, vomiting and shortness of breath.
- 9. On or about February 22, 2014, while employed as a Staff Nurse with Seton Highland Lakes Hospital, Burnet, Texas, Respondent failed to administer Potassium Chloride 20mEq IV as required per sliding scale to Patient Number 301549, whose Potassium lab result was 3.2mEq/L. Subsequently, the nurse on the following shift administered the replacement dose.

  Respondent's conduct placed the patient at a risk of harm from complications of low blood serum Potassium levels, including possible cardiac arrhythmia.
- 10. On or about March 27, 2014, while employed as a Staff Nurse with Seton Highland Lakes Hospital, Burnet, Texas, Respondent failed to reassess and/or document the reassessment of Patient Number 235860 after another staff nurse reported to him that she had administered Simethicone to the patient for abdominal pain because she could not locate the Respondent. Subsequently, the physician and family requested that another nurse be assigned to provide care to the patient. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient from a delay in treatment of the patient's abdominal pain.
- In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Eight (8), Respondent states that the IV form of Sodium Phosphate was on backorder and the process to have the pharmacy make adjustments was time consuming, therefore, this task took a lower priority and was omitted. Regarding Finding of Fact Number Nine (9), Respondent states that he noticed the patient's potassium lab value at the end of his shift and asked the on-coming nurse to administer the replacement dose. Regarding of Finding of Fact Number Ten (10), Respondent states that he assessed his patient and communicated his findings to his charge nurse.
- 12. Formal Charges were filed on December 3, 2014.
- 13. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on December 8, 2014.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- Notice was served in accordance with law.
- The evidence received is sufficient to prove violation(s) of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE  $\S\S217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C),(1)(M)\&(3)(A)$  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 651649 and Vocational Nurse License Number 160484, heretofore issued to JASON HINDS, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

### TERMS OF ORDER

# I. SANCTION AND APPLICABILITY

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of **REPRIMAND WITH STIPULATIONS** 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.

# III. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

In addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may require for licensure renewal, RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated:

- A. A Board-approved course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics that 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.

  Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.
- B. A Board-approved course in medication administration with a didactic portion of not less than six (6) hours and a clinical component of not less than twenty-four (24) hours. Both the didactic and clinical components be provided by the same Registered Nurse. The course's content shall include: a review of proper administration procedures for all standard routes; computation of drug dosages; the six (6) rights of medication administration; factors influencing the choice of route; and possible adverse effects resulting from improper administration. The clinical component SHALL focus on tasks of medication administration only. The course description shall indicate goals and objectives for the course, resources to be utilized, and the methods to be used to determine successful completion of the course. Successful completion of this course requires RESPONDENT to successfully complete both the didactic and clinical portions of the course.
- C. A Board-approved course in physical assessment with a didactic portion of not less than six (6) hours and a clinical component of not less than twenty-four (24) hours. Both the didactic and clinical components must be provided by the same Registered Nurse. The course's content shall include physical assessment of all body systems. The clinical component SHALL include physical assessment of live patients in a clinical setting; Performing assessments on mock patients or mannequins WILL NOT be accepted. The course description shall indicate goals and objectives for the course, resources to be utilized, and the methods to be used to determine successful completion of the course. Successful completion of this course requires RESPONDENT to successfully complete both the didactic and clinical portions of the course.

- D. <u>A Board-approved course in nursing documentation</u> that shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The course's content shall include: nursing standards related to accurate and complete documentation; legal guidelines for recording; methods and processes of recording; methods of alternative record-keeping; and computerized documentation. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.
- E. 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/these course(s), RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form or SHALL submit the continuing education certificate, as applicable, to the attention of Monitoring at the Board's office. RESPONDENT SHALL first obtain Board approval of any course prior to enrollment if the course is not being offered by a pre-approved provider. Information about Board-approved courses and Verification of Course Completion forms are available from the Board at www.bon.texas.gov/compliance.

### IV. EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

In order to complete the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT must work as a nurse, providing direct patient care in a licensed healthcare setting, for a minimum of sixty-four (64) hours per month for eight (8) quarterly periods [two (2) years] of employment. This requirement will not be satisfied until eight (8) quarterly periods of employment as a nurse have elapsed. Any quarterly period without continuous employment with the same employer for all three (3) months will not count towards completion of this requirement. 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 period and will not count towards completion of this requirement.

A. Notifying Present and Future Employers: RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this Order, including all attachments, if any, within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this Order, including all attachments, if any, prior to accepting an offer of employment.

- B. Notification of Employment Forms: RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment" form to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment form" to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
- C. Direct Supervision: For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Direct supervision requires another nurse, as applicable, to be working on the same unit as RESPONDENT and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. RESPONDENT SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
  - Indirect Supervision: For the remainder of the stipulation/probation period, PESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse, who is on the premises. The supervising nurse is not required to be on the same unit or ward as RESPONDENT, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if necessary. The supervising nurse shall have a minimum of two (2) years experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the Respondent is currently working. RESPONDENT SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
- E. Nursing Performance Evaluations: 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 and these reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) month quarterly period for eight (8) quarters [two (2) years] of employment as a nurse.

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# V. 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 affecterms 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 /8 day of kelenery, 20 15.
	JASON HIXDS, Respondent
	cribed before me this 18th day of February, 2015.
Sworn to and subso	cribed before me this for day of formand, 2015.
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Effective this 16th day of April, 2015.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

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Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

# BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



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In the Matter of Registered Nurse \$ AGREED License Number 651649 and Vocational \$ Nurse License Number 160484 \$ ORDER issued to JASON-HINDS

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Bo considered the matter of JASON HINDS, Registered Nurse License Number 651649 and Vocational Nurse License Number 160484, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered

on July 26, 2010, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN; RN, Executive Director, subject to ratification by

the Board:

# FINDINGS OF FACT

- 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.
- 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. Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas is currently in "delinquent" status.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Odessa College, Odessa, Texas, on August 16, 1996, and received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Odessa College, Odessa, Texas, on December 1, 1997. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on October 30, 1996, and was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on June 23, 1998.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

19	96	Per Diem Nurse	Medical Center Hospital
19	97 - 1999		Unknown
20	00	Medical Practice Office Manager	Montbello Healthcare Montbello, Colorado
20	01 - 2005	Travel Nurse	Nursing Professionals by Contract Odessa, Texas
20	005	Home Care - Field RN	Gentiva Home Health Fort Worth, Texas
20	006	Home Care - Field RN	Medcare at Home Grapevine, Texas
20	006	Home Care - Branch Manager	Paradigm Rehabilitation and Nursing Fort Worth, Texas
20	006 :	Home Care - Field Nurse	Interim Healthcare Fort Worth, Texas
20	007	Assistant Director of Nursing	Brookdale Senior Living Fort Worth, Texas
. 20	908	Home Care - Team Leader	Home Health Services Fort Worth, Texas
20	009	Home Care - Field Nurse	Reachout Home Care Fort Worth, Texas
1	1/2009 - 1/2010	Home Care - Field Nurse	Perfect Home Care, Inc. Fort Worth, Texas
2/	/2010 - Present	•	Unknown

- 6. On or about October 2006 through December 2006, while employed with Interim Home Health Care, Fort Worth, Texas, Respondent:
  - Failed to assess his clients, including obtaining vital signs;
  - Falsified-documentation-by-recording-vital signs that were never obtained from clients; and
  - Failed to adequately provide nursing care to his clients by routinely shortening or omitting client visits, not visiting his scheduled clients while he was on-call, and not

drawing timed drug levels without notifying either the client or the home health agency.

Respondent's conduct was likely to injure his clients in that they were not receiving the care that they required. Subsequent care givers would have based care decisions upon information which was incomplete and incorrect.

- 7. On or about December 2008 through January 2009, while employed with Home Health Services of Texas, Carrollton, Texas, Respondent exceeded his scope of practice when he gave Patient Medical File Number G03059 samples of vitamin supplements, which he was selling, without a physicians' order. Respondent's conduct could have caused the patient to experience unexpected effects from the vitamins or could have caused interactions with patient medications.
- 8. In response to the incidents in Findings of Fact Numbers Six (6) and Seven (7), Respondent states that his income had been very little for a couple of months and he was trying to cut corners. Respondent states that he gave the patient vitamin supplement samples with the understanding that the patient was to take them to his physician to get the physician's approval to take the vitamins.
- 9. On or about November 10, 2009, through January 4, 2010, while employed with Perfect Home Care, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas, Respondent:

ranted to assess and/or completely document assessment of his clients, including wound assessments and vital signs;

- Falsified documentation recording vital signs that were never obtained from clients; and
- Failed to adequately provide nursing care to his clients by routinely shortening or jointting client visits, failed to visit his scheduled clients.

Respondent's conduct was likely to injure his clients in that they were not receiving the care that they required. Subsequent care givers would have based care decisions upon information which was incomplete and incorrect.

10. In response to the incidents in Finding of Fact Number Nine (9), Respondent states that he completely assessed and documented his assessment including wound measurements and vital signs to every patient assigned to him. He never falsified documentation. Respondent states he completed each visit within the prescribed duration set by applicable regulations.

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# **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 violations of Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §§217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(D)&(3)(A) and 217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C),(4),(6)(A)&(6)(H).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 651649 and Vocational Nurse License Number 160484, heretofore issued to JASON HINDS, including revocation of Respondent's licenses 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 a WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS AND A FINE, 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 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 licenses 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 RESPONDENTS 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:

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing documentation. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is <u>not</u> being offered by a pre-approved provider. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. The course shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length of classroom time. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include Nurses. The course shall include content on the following: nursing standards related to

http://www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

accurate and complete documentation; legal guidelines for recording; methods and processes of recording; methods of alternative record-keeping; and computerized documentation. RESPONDENT SHALL cause the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Board's office 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: <a href="http://www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html">http://www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html</a>.

- (3) 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. Information regarding this workshop may be found at the following web address: <a href="http://www.learningext.com/products/generalce/critical/ctabout.asp">http://www.learningext.com/products/generalce/critical/ctabout.asp</a>.
- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

  RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine 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.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A NURSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, RESPONDENT WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND 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 VOCATIONAL NURSE (LVN) LICENSE WILL NOT APPLY TO THIS STIPULATION PERIOD:

- of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT'S licenses. 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 licenses. 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.
- (6) 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.
- premises. The supervising nurse is not required to be on the same unit or ward as RESPONDENT, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if

necessary. The supervising nurse shall have a minimum of two (2) years experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the Respondent is currently working. RESPONDENT SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

(8) 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 Registered 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 licenses to practice nursing in the State of Texas and RESPONDENT shall be eligible for nurse licensure 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 violations 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 Order 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 licenses to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 2 day of Oct	20.10
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JASON MINDS, Respondent	

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of Octobor, 2010.

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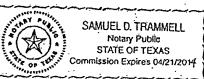
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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2010, by JASON HINDS, Registered Nurse License Number 651649 and Vocational Nurse License Number 160484, and said Order is final.

Effective this 9th day of November, 2010.

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