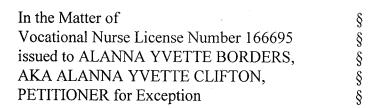
BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING





ORDER GRANTING PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION

A public meeting of the Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee of the Board, hereinafter referred to as the Committee, was held on May 13, 2017 at 333 Guadalupe, Tower 3, Suite 460, Austin, Texas, to consider the Petition for Exception and supporting documents filed by ALANNA YVETTE BORDERS, hereinafter referred to as PETITIONER.

PETITIONER appeared by telephone.

Board Members in attendance were: Patricia Clapp, BA; Kathy Shipp, MSN, RN, FNP; and Kathy Leader-Horn, LVN. Staff present were: Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director; James W. Johnston, General Counsel; Anthony L. Diggs, MSCJ, Director, Enforcement Division; John De La Rosa, Investigator; Kathy Hoffman, Legal Assistant Supervisor; Krystal Mendoza, Legal Assistant; and Diane E. Burell, Compliance Supervisor.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Petitioner is required to comply with and complete all of the requirements of the June 14, 2016, Agreed Order, except that Stipulation Number Three (III), subsection A., B. C. And D. are modified as follows:

- RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete, within six (6) months of A. employment in nursing, a Board-approved course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics that shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The courses 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.
- RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete, within six (6) months of В. employment in nursing, 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.
- C. RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete, within six (6) months of employment in nursing, a Board-approved course in nursing documentation 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 methods and processes of recording; methods of alternative record-keeping; and computerized documentation. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.
- D. RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete, within six (6) months of employment in nursing, 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.

Entered this 13th day of June, 2017.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf of said Board