BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of
Registered Nurse License Number 638068
issued to DEENA ROBISON



ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of DEENA ROBISON, Registered Nurse License Number 638068, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent's license to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.
- 2. Respondent waived notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent received a Baccalaureate in Nursing from West Texas A&M University, Canyon, Texas, on December 1, 1996. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on February 19, 1997.
- 4. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

03/1997 - 05/2011 RN

Pampa Regional Medical Center

Pampa, Texas

06/2011 - 08-2011

Unknown

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

09/2011 - 04/2013 RN Childress Regional Medical Center

Childress, Texas

05/2013 - 05/2017 RN Pampa Regional Medial Center

Pampa, Texas

06/2017 - Present Unknown

- 5. On or about April 8, 2013, Respondent was issued the sanction of a REMEDIAL EDUCATION AND A FINE through an Agreed Order by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the Agreed Order, including the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order dated April 8, 2013, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.
- 6. On or about May 5, 2017, while employed as a Registered Nurse and assigned to the Emergency Department of Pampa Regional Medical Center, Pampa, Texas, Respondent misappropriated one (1) vial of Morphine 4mg belonging to the facility and patients thereof, or failed to take precautions to prevent such misappropriation. Respondent's conduct was likely to defraud the facility and patients thereof of the cost of the medications.
- 7. On or about May 6, 2017, while employed as a Registered Nurse and assigned to the Emergency Department of Pampa Regional Medical Center, Pampa, Texas, Respondent exhibited conduct that may have prevented her from practicing nursing with reasonable skill and safety. This conduct included: falsely telling facility staff she had provided a specimen for a urine drug test when in fact she had not provided a specimen and telling facility staff she had taken her spouse's hydrocodone. Furthermore, Respondent later told facility staff she declined to provide a urine specimen because she did not want to go through the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses again. Respondent's conduct could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in conditions, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate and appropriate assessments, judgements and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing patients in potential danger.
- 8. On September 18, 2017, the Board received a statement from Respondent voluntarily surrendering the right to practice nursing in Texas.
- 9. The Board policy implementing Rule 213.29 in effect on the date of this Agreed Order provides discretion by the Executive Director for consideration of conditional reinstatement after proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of abstinence from alcohol and drugs followed by licensure limitations/stipulations and/or peer assistance program participation.
- 10. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.

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 § 2 1 7 . 1 1 (1) (T) a n d 2 2 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(E),(4),(5),(6)(G),(8),(10)(E)&(11)(B).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 638068, heretofore issued to DEENA ROBISON, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- 5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
- 6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
- 7. 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 ORDERED that the **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER** of Registered Nurse License Number 638068, heretofore issued to DEENA ROBISON, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Executive Director on behalf of 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 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:
 - A. At least one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order; and,
 - B. RESPONDENT has obtained objective, verifiable proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety immediately preceding the petition.
- 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.

Effective this 20th day of October, 2017.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By:

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





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Executive Director of the Board

In the Matter of \$
Registered Nurse License Number 638068 \$
issued to DEENA ROBISON, a/k/a, \$
DEENA CHERYL TIPTON \$

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board considered the matter of DEENA ROBISON, a/k/a, DEENA CHERYL TIPTON, Registered Nurse License Number 638068, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

ORDER

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. Art. 4525(b)(2)&(9)(eff. 9/1/1995), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on February 22, 2013.

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 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.
- 4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from West Texas A&M University, Canyon, Texas, on December 1, 1996. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on February 19, 1997.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.

- 6. On or about December 11, 1996, Respondent submitted an Application for Initial Licensure for Graduates of Schools in the United States to the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in which she provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that she answered "No" to the question: "Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than minor traffic violations?"
 - Respondent failed to disclose that, on or about July 11, 1990, Respondent pled Guilty to and was convicted of LARCENY, a Class A misdemeanor offense, in the Panguitch Circuit Court, Panguitch, Utah, under Case No. 90CR292. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was placed on probation for a period of two (2) years.
- 7. In response to Finding of Fact Number Six (6), Respondent states she was informed all records had been expunged; therefore, she had nothing to disclose when she was applying for her nursing license.

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 §217.13(17)(eff. 12/1/1996).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. Art. 4525(b)(2)&(9)(eff. 9/1/1995), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against, Registered Nurse License Number 638068, heretofore issued to DEENA ROBISON, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a REMEDIAL EDUCATION 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, while under the terms of this Order, this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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 license(s) is/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 State of Texas 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 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: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). 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, that 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 shall 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 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 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 revocation of my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 8th day of April, 20/3.
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DEENA ROBISON, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8 day of 9, 20.

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Notary Public in and for the State of $\sqrt{\lambda}$.

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Notary Public

STATE OF TEXAS

My Comm. Exp. 03-23-16

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the <a href="https://linear.nih.gov/lin

Effective this 8th day of April, 2013.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board