



On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of DARLA NORTHRUP, Registered Nurse License Number 439974, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Sections 301.452(b)(3) and 301.4535(b), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Agreed Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on July 2, 2019.

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 Agreed 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, Ohio, on May 1, 1974. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 1, 1977.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.

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- 6. On or about May 9, 2019, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to MANSLAUGHTER, a 2nd Degree Felony offense committed on March 24, 2015, in the 209th District Court of Harris County, Texas, under Cause No. 1476885. As a result of the plea the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of Guilt, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of ten (10) years and ordered to pay court costs.
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- 8. Respondent by her signature expresses her desire to voluntary surrender the licenses.

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 cause pursuant to Sections 301.452(b)(3) and 301.4535(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License; Number 439974, heretofore issued to DARLA NORTHRUP.
- 4. 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

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Registered Nurse License Number 439974 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. Pursuant to Tex. Occ. Code section 301.4535(c), RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until at least five (5) years from the date the Respondent successfully completes and is dismissed from community supervision or parole has elapsed.
- 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 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 effective upon acceptance by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing 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 possible revocation of my license(s) and/or privileges to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

JUAN MACIAS Notary Public STATE OF TEXAS	SOOO S
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Signed this 22 day of august . 2019.

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DARLA NORTHRUP, Respondent

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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Approved as to form and substance. Doug O'Brien, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 22 day of AUGUT, 2019.

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 22 day of August, 2019, by DARLA NORTHRUP, Registered Nurse License Number 439974, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 22 day of August, 2019.

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Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board