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We have received information you were physically incarcerated in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department Criminal Justice beginning approximately October 15, 2018, based on your conviction of CONSPIRACY TO COMM HEALTHCARE FRAUD, a Felony offense, in the United States District Court Northern District of Texas, under Cause N 3:15-CR-00559-O.

Therefore, pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 53.021(b), Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 1464' was revoked, by operation of law, on October 15, 2018, the date that your incarceration commenced.

You are entitled to a formal Complaint, Notice of Hearing, and a hearing in which you may present evidence to show the you are not physically incarcerated or have not been physically incarcerated due to your felony conviction(s) or felony probation revocation. You are also entitled to representation by an attorney if you desire. In the event you are not physical incarcerated or have not been physically incarcerated, your written request for a hearing before the State Office Administrative Hearings must be received in this office within twenty (20) days of receipt of this letter.

Please be advised that you may not practice as a nurse or engage in any activities that require a license issued by this Boar Should you desire to return to the practice of nursing in Texas, you may contact our office to request a reinstatement petitic However, you will not be eligible for reinstatement until: at least one (1) year has elapsed from the effective date of yo revocation, <u>and</u> you are released from imprisonment. Any reinstatement will then be subject to the regulations in effect that time.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (512) 305-6822.

Sîncerely

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