## BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Vocational Nurse License Number 308032 issued to WALTER LLOYD GREGG AGREED ORDER

is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.

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Executive Director of the Board\*\*

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considenthe matter of WALTER LLOYD GREGG, Vocational Nurse License Number 308032, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Sections 301.251, 301.252, and 301.452(b)(1), 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 September 16, 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 vocational nurse in the State of Texas is in delinquent status.
- 4. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.
- 5. On or about September 15, 2017, the Texas Board of Nursing learned that Respondent did not meet the requirements for graduation from the US Army Practical Nurse Course, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, as originally indicated to the Board on the Respondent's affidavit of graduation. Graduation from an approved nursing program is a condition for eligibility to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN Examination). Respondent sat for the NCLEX-PN Examination, and upon passing the test became licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse in the State of Texas on July 5, 2012.

- 6. In response to Finding of Fact Number Five (5), Respondent states that during the spring of 2011, there was an issue with the 300-M6 Practical Nurse course exam, wherein students were tested on materials that had not been covered in the class. This resulted in a significant portion of the class receiving an "incomplete" for the overall course. The affected students petitioned the administration, which was at first unsympathetic. After an unsuccessful first attempt, Respondent and the other students appealed to the dean and program director, who told them their grades would be changed and they would be allowed to graduate. Respondent subsequently received credit for the 300-M6 Practical Nurse course and pursuant to his successful completion of the Practical Nurse Course, Respondent's program director completed and submitted and Affidavit of Graduation to the Board.
- 7. Formal Charges were filed on June 26, 2018.
- 8. Respondent by his signature expresses his desire to voluntary surrender the 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 cause pursuant to Sections 301.251, 301.252, and 301.452(b)(1), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 308032, heretofore issued to WALTER LLOYD GREGG.
- 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 Vocational Nurse License Number 308032 is accepted by the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice vocational nursing, use the title "vocational nurse" or the abbreviation "LVN" or wear any insignia identifying himself as a vocational nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a vocational nurse during the period in which the license is surrendered.

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 thriber 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 Bhard 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 sarction; including possible revocation of my license(s) and/or privileges to practice nursing in the State of Texas; a consequence of my noncompliance.

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Elisabeth Smith, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 18th day of November 20

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 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019, by WALTER LLOYD GREGG, Vocational Nurse License Number 308032, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

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of said Board