BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of DIANE WILMA GRANT, Registered Nurse License Number 579515, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(13), 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 December 6, 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 current status.
- 4. Respondent received a Diploma in Nursing from Moline Public Hospital, Illinois, on June 1, 1990. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Illinois on September 29, 1990, and was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on May 5, 1992.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

5/1992 - 6/2018

Unknown



Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

7/2018-10/2018

Registered Nurse

Amcare Pro Home Health Richardson, Texas

11/2018-Present

Unknown

- 6. On or about January 22, 1998, Respondent was issued the sanction of Warning with Stipulations through an Order of the Board. On or about January 30, 1999, Respondent successfully completed the terms of the Order. A copy of the January 22, 1998, Order is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Agreed Order.
- 7. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Amcare Pro Home Health, Richardson, Texas, and had been in that position for three (3) months.
- 8. On or about August 10, 2018, and August 17, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Amcare Pro Home Health, Richardson, Texas, Respondent failed to document two (2) home nurse visits for Patient TF. Specifically, Respondent completed the scheduled home visits, but did not submit completed documentation to her employer. Respondent's conduct resulted in an incomplete medical record.
- 9. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Eight (8), Respondent states that she received no orientation to the computer or the agency. Respondent states that she documented notes for the two visits and was never notified that the notes in question were missing.
- 10. Formal Charges were filed on May 10, 2019.
- 11. On November 23, 2019, and December 4, 2019, Respondent completed courses in nursing jurisprudence and ethics and documentation, respectively, which would have been requirements of this Order.

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 §217.11 (1)(D).

- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 579515, heretofore issued to DIANE WILMA GRANT.
- 5. 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

I. SANCTION AND APPLICABILITY

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of **REMEDIAL EDUCATION** in accordance with the terms of this Order.

- A. This Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to RESPONDENT to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- B. This Order SHALL be applicable to RESPONDENT'S nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- C. As a result of this Order, RESPONDENT'S license(s) will be designated "single state" and RESPONDENT may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state.

II. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT agrees to comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nursing Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§211.1 *et seq.*, and this Agreed Order.

III. UNDERSTANDING BOARD ORDERS

Within thirty (30) days of entry of this Order, RESPONDENT must successfully complete the Board's online course, "Understanding Board Orders", which can be accessed

on the Board's website from the "Discipline & Complaints" drop-down menu or directly at: http://www.bon.texas.gov/UnderstandingBoardOrders/index.asp. Upon successful completion, RESPONDENT must submit the course verification at the conclusion of the course, which automatically transmits the verification to the Board.

IV. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

In addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may require for licensure renewal, RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated:

A. 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.

In order to receive credit for completion of this/these course(s), RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form or SHALL submit the continuing education certificate, as applicable, to the attention of Monitoring at the Board's office. RESPONDENT SHALL first obtain Board approval of any course prior to enrollment if the course is <u>not</u> being offered by a pre-approved provider. Information about Board-approved courses and Verification of Course Completion forms are available from the Board at www.bon.texas.gov/compliance.

VI. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

Upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT'S license(s) and/or privilege(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and, subject to meeting all existing eligibility requirements in Texas Occupations Code Chapter 304, Article III, RESPONDENT may 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 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 is subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing and a copy of this Order will be mailed to me once the Order becomes effective. 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.

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| Sworn to and subscribed before me | this, 20 |
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| | Notary Public in and for the State of |
| | Approved as to form and substance. |
| | Nancy Rope Wilson, Attorney for Respondent |
| | Signed this 10 day of Dec. , 20 19. |

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 10th day of December, 2019, by DIANE WILMA GRANT, Registered Nurse License Number 579515, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 10th day of December, 2019.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

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Executive Director on behalf

of said Board



BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of Permanent Certificate Number 579515 issued to DIANE WILMA GRANT

§ AGREED ORDER §

An investigation by the Board produced evidence indicating that DIANE WILMA GRANT, hereinafter referred to as Respondent, may have violated Article 4525(b)(9), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended.

An informal conference was held on September 23, 1997, at the office of the Board of Nurse Examiners, in accordance with Article 4524C, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended.

Respondent appeared in person. Respondent was notified of her right to be represented by legal counsel and elected to waive representation by counsel. In attendance were Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director; William Hopkins, General Counsel; Anthony L. Diggs, Director of Investigations; and Gary Walters, RN, Senior Investigator.

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.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, notice and hearing, and consented to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a nursing diploma from Moline Public Hospital School of Marking Moline, Illinois, in June 1990. She was licensed as a Registered Nurse in Marking on May 5, 1992.

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5. Respondent's professional employment history includes:

July 1990 - November 1990

United Medical Center

Moline, Illinois

-Staff Nurse on Medical Unit

January 7, 1991 - June 1991

St. Luke's Hospital

Jacksonville, Florida

-Staff Nurse on Medical Unit

July 1, 1991 - April 1992

University Community Hospital

Tampa, Florida
-Staff Nurse

April 10, 1992 - December 9, 1996

Irving Healthcare System

Irving, Texas

April 1992 - April 1996

-Staff Nurse on Medical/Surgical Unit

April 1996 - December 1996

-Staff Nurse in Post Anesthesia Care Unit

January 1997 - present

Columbia Medical Arts Hospital

Dallas, Texas

-Staff Nurse on Surgical Unit

- 6. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed with Irving Healthcare System, Irving, Texas, as a Staff Nurse. She had been employed with this facility for approximately four (4) years and seven (7) months.
- On or about November 29, 1996, while employed with Irving Healthcare System, Irving, Texas, Respondent instructed a Patient Care Assistant to connect a contaminated epidural line to the primary intravenous line of Patient # 049063. Respondent had not assessed the patient nor did she know the origin of the tubing and needle when she gave this instruction. Respondent's inappropriate delegation of this nursing function was likely to expose the patient to inadequate health care by unlicensed personnel, the risk of receiving a medication by an unprescribed route and the risk of infection from the introduction of a contaminated line into a sterile intravenous system.
- 8. Respondent is currently enrolled in home study continuing education programs relating to Stress Management, Pain Management and Medication Errors.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Pursuant to Article 4525, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, the Board has jurisdiction ever this matter.

- 2. Notice was served in accordance with law.
- The evidence received is sufficient to prove violations of Article 4525(b)(9), TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN., and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.13(9).
- The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Article 4525(b), TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN., to take disciplinary action against license number 579515, heretofore issued to DIANE WILMA GRANT.

AGREED SANCTIONS

Examiners, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a Warning with Stipulations, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as amended, Art. 4513 et. seq., the Rules and Regulations Relating to Professional Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE \$231.01 et. seq. and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

- (1) RESPONDENT SHALL deliver the wallet-size license issued to DIANE WILMA GRANT, to the office of the Board of Nurse Examiners within ten (10) days of the date of this Order for appropriate notation.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing jurisprudence. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience must include registered nurses. It must be a minimum of six (6) contact hours in length. The course's content should include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, and documentation of care. 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 is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT CHOOSE TO PRACTICE AS A REGISTERED NURSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, RESPONDENT WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR OTHER CLINICAL SETTING, UNDER THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS FOR ONE (1) YEAR OF EMPLOYMENT:

- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in professional nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT' SHALL present a copy of this Order to each present employer within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL notify all potential employers in professional nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT SHALL present a copy of this Order to each potential employer prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in professional nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each potential employer to submit the Notification of Employment form to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a professional nurse.

(5) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided by the Board, periodic reports as to RESPONDENT's capability to practice professional nursing. These reports shall be completed by the Registered Nurse who supervises the RESPONDENT. These reports shall be submitted to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) months for one (1) year of employment as a professional nurse.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be issued an unencumbered license to practice professional 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 Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violations alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree and consent to the issuance of the Agreed Order, the Agreed Sanctions, and any condition stated in this 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.

| Signed this $\frac{14}{19}$ day of $\frac{1997}{1997}$ |
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MARY GALES

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES

July 22, 2000

MARY GALES

Notary Public in and for the State of TEXAS

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