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Katherine A. Thomas
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of § AGREED ORDER
Registered Nurse License Number 768028 §
issued to STACI RAE WILLIAMS §
§

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of STACI RAE WILLIAMS, Registered Nurse License Number 768028, 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)(10)&(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 January 8, 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 Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, Texas, on December 13, 2008. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on May 12, 2009.
5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

5/2009 – 4/2011 Registered Nurse Texhoma Christian Care Center
Wichita Falls, Texas

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

5/2011 – 10/2011	Registered Nurse	Angmar Medical Holdings Inc. Wichita Falls, Texas
11/2011	Unknown	
12/2011 – 11/2013	Registered Nurse	Acadia Behavioral Healthcare- Red River Hospital Wichita Falls, Texas
12/2013 – 7/2014	Unknown	
8/2014 – 12/2014	Registered Nurse	North Texas State Hospital Wichita Falls, Texas
1/2015 – 2/2015	Unknown	
3/2015 – 1/2016	Registered Nurse	D&S Community Services unknown
2/2016	Unknown	
3/2016 – 4/2018	Registered Nurse	Southwest Correctional Medical Group San Diego, California
5/2018 - Present	Unknown	

6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Southwest Correctional Medical Group, San Diego, California, and had been in that position for one (1) year and one (1) month.
7. On or about March 28, 2017, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Southwest Correctional Medical Group, San Diego, California, and assigned to Wichita County Jail, Wichita, Texas, Respondent falsely documented physical examination and health appraisal information for Patient AI 3872. Respondent documented that all entries were within normal limits, however the patient had an extensive medical and mental health history, including traumatic brain injury, alcohol withdrawal, seizures, suicide attempts, and post-traumatic stress disorder with prior mental health care provided at another facility. Respondent's conduct resulted in inaccurate medical records, and was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation in order to provide further patient care.

8. On or about December 11, 2017, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Southwest Correctional Medical Group, San Diego, California, and assigned to Wichita County Jail, Wichita, Texas, Respondent falsely documented physical examination and health appraisal information for Patient AI 4651. Respondent documented that all entries were within normal limits and the patient denied medical history and mental health history, however the following day the patient reported extensive medical information when interviewed by staff. Respondent's conduct resulted in inaccurate medical records, and was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation in order to provide further patient care.
9. On or about January 11, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Southwest Correctional Medical Group, San Diego, California, and assigned to Wichita County Jail, Wichita, Texas, Respondent falsely documented physical examination and health appraisal information for Patient AI 4775, Patient AI 4905, Patient AI 4908, Patient AI 4962, Patient AI 5033, and Patient AI 5147, who were not actually examined or seen. Respondent's conduct resulted in inaccurate medical records, and was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation in order to provide further patient care.
10. On or about January 11, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Southwest Correctional Medical Group, San Diego, California, and assigned to Wichita County Jail, Wichita, Texas, Respondent falsely documented vital signs and weights in the medical records of Patient AI 4775, Patient AI 4905, Patient AI 4908, Patient AI 4962, Patient AI 5015, Patient AI 5033, and Patient AI 5147. Respondent's conduct resulted in inaccurate medical records, and was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation in order to provide further patient care.
11. On or about March 26, 2018 through March 27, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Southwest Correctional Medical Group, San Diego, California, and assigned to Wichita County Jail, Wichita, Texas, Respondent failed to document physical examination and health appraisal information for Patient AI 5772, Patient AI 5986, Patient AI 6538, Patient AI 6574, Patient AI 6604, Patient AI 6684, Patient AI 6695, Patient AI 6764, Patient AI 6833, and Patient AI 6912. Respondent's conduct resulted in incomplete medical records, and was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation in order to provide further patient care.
12. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7) through Eleven (11), Respondent maintains that the history and physical information inputted by her for the patients at issue accurately and properly reflected the information reported to her by the individual patient. Likewise, Respondent denies falsifying patient vital signs. She included only vital signs done at the time of the history and physical, unless the patient refused, in which case it was left blank. The facility lacked written procedures for completing the patient history and physicals and Respondent relied on the limited training and instruction received from her immediate supervisor. Respondent was on medical leave for a broken foot from March 28, 2018 to April 15, 2018. If there were incomplete assessments from

immediately prior to Respondent taking leave, they were not completed because they had not been unlocked for Respondent to complete prior to taking leave.

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)(A),(1)(B),(1)(D)&(3)(A) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C),(4),(6)(A),&(6)(H).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 768028, heretofore issued to STACI RAE WILLIAMS.
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 **REPRIMAND WITH STIPULATIONS AND FINE** 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. A Board-approved course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics that 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. Home study and video programs will not be approved.
- B. A Board-approved course in physical assessment with a didactic portion of not less than six (6) hours and a clinical component of not less than twenty-four (24)

hours. Both the didactic and clinical components must be provided by the same Registered Nurse. The course's content shall include physical assessment of all body systems. The clinical component SHALL include physical assessment of live patients in a clinical setting; Performing assessments on mock patients or mannequins WILL NOT be accepted. The course description shall indicate goals and objectives for the course, resources to be utilized, and the methods to be used to determine successful completion of the course. Successful completion of this course requires RESPONDENT to successfully complete both the didactic and clinical portions of the course.

- C. **A Board-approved course in nursing documentation** that shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The course's content shall include: nursing standards related to accurate and complete documentation; legal guidelines for recording; methods and processes of recording; methods of alternative record-keeping; and computerized documentation. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.
- D. **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 not 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.*

V. MONETARY FINE

RESPONDENT SHALL **pay a monetary fine in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) within forty-five (45) days of the effective date 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.

VI. EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

In order to complete the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT must work as a nurse in the State of Texas, providing direct patient care in a clinical healthcare setting, for a

minimum of sixty-four (64) hours per month for eight (8) quarterly periods [two (2) years] of employment. This requirement will not be satisfied until eight (8) quarterly periods of employment as a nurse have elapsed. Periods of unemployment or of employment that do not require the use of a registered nurse (RN) or a vocational nurse (LVN) license, as appropriate, will not apply to this period and will not count towards completion of this requirement.

- A. **Notifying Present and Future Employers:** RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this Order, including all attachments, if any, within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this Order, including all attachments, if any, prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- B. **Notification of Employment Forms:** RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment" form to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment form" to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
- C. **Direct Supervision:** For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this order, RESPONDENT SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Direct supervision requires another nurse, as applicable, to be working on the same unit as RESPONDENT and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. RESPONDENT SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
- D. **Indirect Supervision:** For the remainder of the stipulation/probation period, RESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse, **who is on the premises.** The supervising nurse is not required to be on the same unit or ward as RESPONDENT, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and

intervention if necessary. The supervising nurse shall have a minimum of two (2) years of experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the RESPONDENT is currently working. RESPONDENT SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

- E. **Nursing Performance Evaluations:** RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the RESPONDENT by the Board, periodic reports as to RESPONDENT'S capability to practice nursing. These reports shall be completed by the individual who supervises the RESPONDENT and these reports shall be submitted by the supervising individual to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) month quarterly period for eight (8) quarters [two (2) years] of employment as a nurse.

VII. SUBSEQUENT CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, should the RESPONDENT'S conduct, as outlined in the findings of fact of this Agreed Order, result in subsequent judicial action, including a deferred disposition, RESPONDENT may be subject to further disciplinary action, up to, and including, revocation of RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

VIII. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

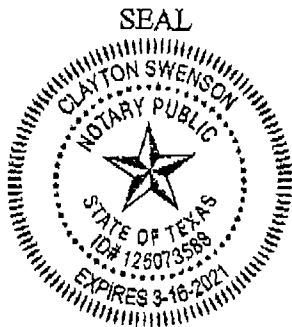
Upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and, subject to meeting all existing eligibility requirements in Texas Occupations Code Chapter 304, Article III, RESPONDENT may be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this 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 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.

Signed this 2 day of December, 2019.
Staci Rae Williams
STACI RAE WILLIAMS, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2 day of December, 2019.



[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Approved as to form and substance.

[Signature]
Darrin Dest, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 3 day of Dec., 2019

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 2nd day of December 2019 by STACI RAE WILLIAMS, Registered Nurse License Number 768028, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 23rd day of January 2020



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