In the Matter of Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 541608 Issued to LARISSA W. BOUDREAUX, Respondent BEFORE THE TEXAS

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**BOARD OF NURSING** 

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ELIGIBILITY AND

**DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE** 

### ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: Larissa Boudreaux 237 CR 486 Broaddus, TX 75929

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on November 10, 2020, the Texas Board of Nursing Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case, based on the failure of the Respondent to appear as required by 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458, Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely Notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.

The Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached hereto and incorporated by



reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This Order will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing [22 Tex. Admin. Code § 213.16(j)]. All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 541608, previously issued to LARISSA W. BOUDREAUX to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is/are hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 10th day of November, 2020

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment: Formal Charges filed September 11, 2020

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Letterine Ci. Thomas

I hereby certify that on the 13th day of November, 2020, a true and correct copy of the

foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served and addressed to the following person(s), as follows:

Via USPS Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested,

Copy Via USPS First Class Mail

Larissa Boudreaux 237 CR 486 Broaddus, TX 75929

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

In the Matter of \$\ \text{Permanent Registered Nurse}\$
License Number 541608 \$\ \text{Issued to LARISSA W. BOUDREAUX,} Respondent \$\text{SOUDREAUX,} & \text{SOURSING}\$

#### **FORMAL CHARGES**

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, LARISSA W. BOUDREAUX, is a Registered Nurse holding license number 541608 which is in current status at the time of this pleading.

Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged to warrant adverse licensure action was sent to Respondent at Respondent's address of record and Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license prior to commencement of this proceeding.

#### CHARGE I.

On or about May 28, 2019, through August 2, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas, Beaumont, Texas, Respondent withdrew Oxycodone from the Pyxis medication dispensing system for patients, but failed to accurately document the administration of the medication in the patients' Medication Administration Records (MAR) and/or Nurses' Notes. More specifically, Respondent documented administering Oxycodone to Patient 4252664 when the medication had already been returned to the pharmacy, documented administering Oxycodone to Patient 4278222 when the patient had already been discharged, documented administering Ondansetron to Patient 4278222 when there were no medication withdrawals from the medication dispensing system associated with the time and date of the documented administration, and documented administering two (2) tabs of Oxycodone to Patient 4288172 when she had only withdrawn one (1) tablet, as follows:

Date	Time	Patient	Medication Withdrawn (Qty)	Waste	Physician's Orders	MAR	Nurses' Notes
5/28/19	1040	4252664 (CD)	Oxycodone 5mg tab (1)	1041 Return to Pharmacy Quantity 1	Oxycodone IR 5mg 1 tablet PO x one dose prn moderate pain	1052 1 tab	1052 Med. For pain. See MAR.
7/25/19	2035	4278222 (LD)	Oxycodone w/Acetaminophen 5-325mg tab (1)	N/A	Oxycodone Acetaminophen 5mg- 325mg I tablet PO x one dose pm moderate pain	2040 1 tab	2045 Discharge instructions 2055 Medicated for complaint of nausea. See MAR for administration of meds. 2055 Discharged home.

7/25/19	None	4278222 (LD)	None	N/A	Ondansetron (Zofran) 4mg IVP x one dose prn nausea/vomiting	2055 4mg	2045 Discharge instructions 2055 Medicated for complaint of nausea. See MAR for administration of meds. 2055 Discharged home.
8/02/19	1042	4288172 (SW)	Oxycodone 5mg tab (1)	N/A	Oxycodone IR 5mg 2 tablets PO x one dose pm moderate pain	1045 2 tabs	1045 Mod. Pain. See MAR

Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients, in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation to further medicate the patients, which could result in an overdose. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients in that failure to administer medications as ordered by the physician could have resulted in non-efficacious treatment. Additionally, Respondent's conduct placed the hospital in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE \$217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)&(1)(D) and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C),(4)&(11)(B).

#### CHARGE II.

On or about July 25, 2019, through November 7, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas, Beaumont, Texas, Respondent withdrew Toradol, Oxycodone, and Hydrocodone from the Pyxis medication dispensing system for patients, but failed to follow the facility's policy and procedure for wastage of the unused portions of the medications, as follows:

Date	Time	Patient	Medication Withdrawn (Qty)	Waste	Physician's Orders	MAR	Nurses' Notes	
7/25/19 2034		4278222 (LD)	Toradol 60mg/2ml (2ml) injection (1)	None	Toradol inj 30mg IV x one dose prn mild pain	2040 30mg	2045 Discharge instructions 2055 Medicated for complaint of nausea. Se MAR for administration of meds. 2055 Discharged home.	
8/02/19	1157	4288172 (SW)	Oxycodone 5mg tab (1)	None	Oxycodone IR 5mg 2 tablets PO x one dose prn moderate pain	None	1200 Requests other pain med for unrelieved pain. Medicated see MAR.	
9/04/19	1156	4305007 (DW)	Oxycodone 5mg tab (1)	None	Oxycodone IR 5mg 1 tablet PO x one dose prn moderate pain	None	1200 Complaining of increased pain. Medicated see MAR.	
11/07/19	1422	4338324 (AA)	Hydrocodone 5mg-APAP 325mg tab (1)	None	Hydrocodone APAP 5mg-325mg I tablet PO x one dose now	None	1425 Medicated for back hurting. See MAR.	

Respondent's conduct left medications unaccounted for, was likely to deceive the hospital pharmacy, and placed the pharmacy in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A)&(1)(B), and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(4),(10)(C)&(11)(B).

### **CHARGE III.**

On or about July 25, 2019, through November 7, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas, Beaumont, Texas, Respondent misappropriated thirty (30) milligrams of Toradol from Patient 4278222, one (1) tab of Oxycodone 5mg from Patient 4288172, one (1) tab of Oxycodone 5mg from Patient 4305007, and one (1) tab of Hydrocodone from Patient 4338324, belonging to the facility and patients thereof, or failed to take precautions to prevent such misappropriation. Respondent's conduct was likely to defraud the facility and patients thereof of the cost of the medications.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A)&(1)(B), and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(4),(6)(G),(8), (10)(E)&(11)(B).

### CHARGE IV.

On or about July 25, 2019, through September 4, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas, Beaumont, Texas, Respondent failed to follow the prioritization of the PACU and Surgery Orders and/or failed clarify with a physician when determining which pain medication to administer to Patient Number 4278222, Patient 4299644, and Patient 4305007, as follows:

Date	Time	Patient	Medication Withdrawn (Qty)	Waste	Physician's Orders	MAR	Priority Listed
7/25/19	2034	4278222 (LD)	Toradol 60mg/2ml (2ml) injection (1)	None	Toradol inj 30mg IV x one dose pm mild pain	2040 30mg	No priority listed
7/25/19	2035	4278222 (LD)	Oxycodone w/Acetaminophen 5-325mg tab (1)	None	Oxycodone Acetaminophen 5mg-325mg l tablet PO x one dose pm moderate pain	2040 1 tab	No priority listed
8/26/19	1046	4299644	Oxycodone 5mg tab (1)	None	Oxycodone IR  5mg   tablet  PO x   pm  moderate pain	1055 1 tab	Priority 2 Morphine is listed as Priority 1
9/04/19	1130	4305007 (DW)	Nucynta 50mg tab (1)	None	Nucynta 50mg I tablet PO x I prn mild pain	1135 1 tab	No priority listed

Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients in that failure to administer medication as ordered by or clarifying with a physician could have resulted in non-efficacious treatment. Furthermore, Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients in that the physician, the facility and other staff members would utilize the Medical Record to make treatment decisions.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(B)&(1)(C), and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(4).

#### CHARGE V.

On or about August 2, 2019, through November 7, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas, Beaumont, Texas, Respondent withdrew Oxycodone and Hydrocodone from the Pyxis medication dispensing system for patients, but failed to document the administration of the medication in the patients' Medication Administration Records (MAR) and/or Nurses' Notes, as follows:

Date	Time	Patient	Medication Withdrawn (Qty)	Waste	Physician's Orders	MAR	Nurses' Notes
8/02/19	1157	4288172 (SW)	Oxycodone 5mg tab (1)	None	Oxycodone IR 5mg 2 tablets PO x one dose prn moderate pain	None	1200 Requests other pain med for unrelieved pain. Medicated see MAR.
9/04/19	1156	4305007 (DW)	Oxycodone 5mg tab (1)	None	Oxycodone IR 5mg 1 tablet PO x one dose prn moderate pain	None	Complaining of increased pain. Medicated see MAR.
11/07/19	1422	4338324 (AA)	Hydrocodone 5mg- APAP 325mg tab (1)	None	Hydrocodone APAP 5mg-325mg I tablet PO x one dose now	None	1425 Medicated for back hurting. See MAR.

Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients, in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation to further medicate the patients, which could result in an overdose. Additionally, Respondent's conduct placed the hospital in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE  $\S217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)\&(1)(D)$ , and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE  $\S217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)$ , (4)&(11)(B).

#### CHARGE VI.

On or about September 12, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas, Beaumont, Texas, Respondent administered two (2) tablets of Hydrocodone/Acetaminophen (Norco) 5/325mg to Patient Number 4309304, who was not assigned to her care. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that Respondent had not taken report on the patient and was unaware of the patient's current conditions. In addition, Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacy and patient of the cost of the medication.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B)&(4).

#### CHARGE VII.

On or about September 25, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas, Beaumont, Texas, Respondent lacked fitness to practice nursing in that she admitted to having an on-going alcohol abuse issue and participating in counseling for alcohol abuse. Respondent's condition could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patients in potential danger.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(5).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license(s) and/or privilege(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301, Texas Occupations Code and the Board's rules, 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §§ 213.27 - 213.33.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at the Board's website, <a href="www.bon.texas.gov">www.bon.texas.gov</a>.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on adopted policies related to Substance Use Disorders and Other Alcohol and Drug Related Conduct, and on adopted policies related to Behavior Involving Fraud, Theft, and Deception, which can be found under the "Discipline & Complaints; Board Policies & Guidelines" section of the Board's website, <a href="https://www.bon.texas.gov">www.bon.texas.gov</a>.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, located at 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §213.33(b), which can be found under the "Discipline & Complaints; Board Policies & Guidelines" section of the Board's website, <a href="www.bon.texas.gov">www.bon.texas.gov</a>.

# Filed this 11th day of September, 2020.

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