



In the Matter of \$ AGREED ORDER Vocational Nurse License Number 344532 \$ issued to BRENDA CERVANTES \$ \$

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of BRENDA CERVANTES, Vocational Nurse License Number 344532, 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)(3), 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 May 18, 2021.

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 current status.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Navarro College at Corsicana, Corsicana, Texas, on August 10, 2018. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on August 28, 2018.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.

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- 6. On or about August 17, 2020, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to MAN/DEL CS PG 2 OR 2-A>=1G<4G, a 2nd Degree Felony offense committed on December 3, 2018, in the Criminal District Court of Tarrant County, Texas under Cause No. 1593636001. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of Guilt, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of forty-eight (48) months.
- 7. In Response to Finding of Fact Number Six (6), Respondent states that they were struggling financially when her fiancé became involved in the market of THC products. Respondent knew about the illegal activity but did not know exactly what was going on. Respondent was aware of product being in the home she lived in, but never used the products. Respondent accompanied him to his court date where she was arrested.
- 8. Formal Charges were filed on April 29, 2021.
- 9. Respondent by her signature expresses her desire to voluntary surrender the licenses.

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 Section 301.452(b)(3), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 344532, heretofore issued to BRENDA CERVANTES.
- 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 344532 is accepted by the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

- 1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice vocational nursing, use the title "vocational nurse" or the abbreviation "LVN" or wear any insignia identifying herself/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.
- 2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until at least one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order.
- 3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

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 further 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 Board 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 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 day of June, 2021.

RENDA CERVANTES, RESPONDENT

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21 day of

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My Notary ID # 1876492
Expires June 26, 2023

Notary Public in and for the State of +e

Approved as to form and substance.

Steve A. Keathley, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 21 day of June, 2021.

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 21st day of June, 2021, by BRENDA CERVANTES, Vocational Nurse License Number 344532, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 21st day of June, 2021.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board