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In the Matter of
Registered Nurse License Number 754915
& Vocational Nurse License Number 213649
issued to MAGGIE SUE TAYLOR

AGREED ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of MAGGIE SUE TAYLOR, Registered Nurse License Number 754915, and Vocational Nurse License Number 213649, 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)(effective through 8/31/2021), 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 July 7, 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. Respondent's license to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from McLennan Community College-Meep. Waco. Texas, on August 10, 2007. Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas, on May 9, 2008. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on December 20, 2007. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on June 10, 2008.

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5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

12/2007 2/2008	Unknown	Unknown
3/2008 - 2/2009	LVN/RN	UTMB/TDCJ CMC Conroe, TX
3/2009 3/2013	Unknown	Unknown
4/2013 1/2016	RN	UTMB CMC Hughes Unit Conroe, TX
2/2016 - 11/2016	Unknown	Unknown
12/2016 9/2020	RN	UTMB CMC Hughes Unit Conroe, TX
Unknown - Present	RN	Coryell Memorial Health System Gatesville, TX

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Nurse Clinician III with UTMB Health Correctional Managed Care, Conroe, Texas, and had been in that position for three (3) years and nine (9) months.
- 7. On or about August 31, 2020, while employed with UTMB Correctional Managed Care, Conroe. Texas, and assigned to the Alfred Hughes Unit, Respondent left her nursing assignment without notifying the appropriate personnel. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure patients in that leaving the nursing assignment could have resulted in the patients not getting the care that they needed.
- 8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent admits she left the job that day, but states she felt it was for her own safety and peace of mind. Respondent states the afternoon of 08/31/2020 was a culmination of months of stressful workdays, poor staffing and poor system guidance during the COVID-19 crisis. Respondent adds that prior to this the work environment was very difficult. Respondent states nursing staff work in an aggressive male facility, they cared for inmates that required 24-hour care, security staff was consistently short staffed, and for the previous 5 months, the unit had been on a unit lockdown due to COVID-19.

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)(I) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(1)(B)&(12).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13) (effective through 8/31/2021). Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 754915, and Vocational Nurse License Number 213649, heretofore issued to MAGGIE SUE TAYLOR.
- 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. Until successfully completed, RESPONDENT may not practice nursing in the State of Texas except in accordance with the terms of this Order.
- D. As a result of this Order, RESPONDENT'S license(s) will be designated "single state" as applicable and RESPONDENT may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state using a Texas compact license.

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.hon.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. <u>A Board-approved course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics</u> 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

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- malpractice issues will not be accepted. Home study and video programs will not be approved.
- B. 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.
- C. <u>The course "Professional Accountability,"</u> a 4.6 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.

V. 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.

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.

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 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.

4 day of Othber, 2071.

MAGGIE SUE TAYLOR, RESPONDENT

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

Notary Public

Notary Public in and for the State of WX/X

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 4th day of October, 2021, by MAGGIE SUE TAYLOR, Registered Nurse License Number 754915, and Vocational Nurse License Number 213649, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 15th day of October, 2021.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

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Executive Director on behalf

of said Board