

In the Matter of Permanent Certificate § Number 246173 issued to § § RALPH W. HANSEN

# ORDER OF THE BOARD

To: RALPH W. HANSEN P. O. Box 1369 Hurst, Texas 76053

On this day, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of professional nurse license number 246173, issued to RALPH W. HANSEN, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Article 4525.1(c), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice was provided to Respondent and 1. Respondent was given an opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license.
- 2. Respondent's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas is currently in Voluntary Surrender status.
- 3. While working as a Registered Nurse at Medical City Dallas Hospital, Dallas, Texas, Respondent tested positive for Morphine Sulfate on a urine specimen collected on September 27, 1993.

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- 4. On or about February 24, 1995, Respondent, owner of United Nursing Services of America, Euless, Texas, borrowed the sum of four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500.00) from V.H., a client of United Nursing Services of America.
- 5. On or about April 3, 1995, Respondent, owner of the United Nursing Services of America, Euless, Texas, borrowed the sum of one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1400.00) from V.H., a client of United Nursing Services of America.
- 6. On November 11, 1995, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of alcohol while he was subject to duty and call.
- 7. On November 29, 1995, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of alcohol while he was subject to duty and call.
- 8. In a deposition given on January 23, 1996, Respondent stated that his sobriety date was September 27, 1993.
- 9. Respondent submitted a notarized statement and professional nurse license number 246173, to the Board voluntarily surrendering the right to practice professional nursing in Texas.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Article 4525, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Notice was served in accordance with law.
- 3. Under Article 4525.1(c), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
- 4. Under Article 4525.1(d), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.

#### ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of license number 246173, heretofore issued to RALPH W. HANSEN to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Board of Nurse Examiners. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

- 1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT submit a petition for reinstatement until five (5) years have elapsed from the date of this Order.
- 2. RESPONDENT SHALL submit proof of five (5) consecutive years of sobriety and current fitness to safely practice professional nursing in support of any subsequent petition for reinstatement.
- 3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

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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. By my signature on this order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Agreed Sanctions, and any stipulation of this order to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I consent to the issuance of the Agreed Sanctions. I waive judicial review of this order. I understand that when the signed and notarized order is received in the office of the Board, the terms of this order become effective, and a copy will be mailed to me.

Signed this 3 day of JUNE, 1996

ROLPH W. Hance

Sworn to and subscribed before me this  $\frac{3}{2}$  day of  $\frac{19.96}{2}$ .

Randy Jones

Notary Public in and for the State of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas does hereby accept the voluntary surrender of nursing license number 246173, previously issued to RALPH W. HANSEN.

Effective this 10th day of June, 19 96.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN Executive Director on behalf

of said Board