

# BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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| In the Matter of                       | § | REINSTATEMENT |
| Vocational Nurse License Number 188644 | § | AGREED ORDER  |
| issued to ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA      | § |               |
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On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the Petition for Reinstatement, hereinafter referred to as the Petition, of Vocational Nurse License Number 188644, held by ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner.

Petitioner waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Reinstatement Agreed Order approved by Kristin K. Benton, DNP, RN, Executive Director, on November 18, 2024.

## 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 Petitioner and Petitioner was given an opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license(s).
2. Petitioner waived notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Reinstatement Agreed Order.
3. Petitioner received a Diploma in Vocational Nursing from St. Joseph's School of Practical Nursing, Nashua, New Hampshire, on March 10, 1994. Petitioner was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on April 9, 2003.

4. Petitioner's nursing employment history includes:

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| 1994 - 2003  | Not Employed in Texas |                                 |
| 2003 -- 2006 | School Nurse          | Leander ISD<br>Leander, Texas   |
| 2003 -- 2007 | Staff Nurse           | Sagebrook HEC<br>Leander, Texas |
| 2006 -- 2006 | Agency Nurse          | MSN Staffing<br>Austin, Texas   |

Petitioner's nursing employment history continued:

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| 2008 – 2011 | Staff Nurse | Medical Team Home Health<br>Austin, Texas    |
| 2011-2012   | PRN         | Lake Area Home Health<br>Cedar Park, Texas   |
| 2012 - 2013 | Staff Nurse | Abiding Home health<br>Cedar Park, Texas     |
| 2013 – 2013 | PRN         | Health Sense Home Health<br>Austin, Texas    |
| 2013 – 2013 | PRN         | Girling Home Health<br>Austin, Texas         |
| 2013 – 2014 | PRN         | Austin Regional Home Health<br>Austin, Texas |
| 2013 – 2014 | PRN         | Progressive Home Health<br>Austin, Texas     |
| 2013 – 2014 | PRN         | Interim Home Health<br>Austin, Texas         |
| 2015 – 2016 | LVN         | Sava Senior Care<br>Austin, Texas            |
| 2016 – 2017 | LVN         | Deer Creek of Wimberly<br>Wimberly, Texas    |

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5. On or about July 23, 2015, Petitioner was issued the sanction of Reprimand with Stipulations through an Order of the Board. A copy of the July 23, 2015, Order is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Reinstatement Agreed Order.
6. On or about July 23, 2015, Petitioner was issued an Agreed Order through an Order of the Board. On or about July 11, 2017, Petitioner successfully completed the terms of the Order. A copy of the July 23, 2015, Order is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Reinstatement Agreed Order.

7. On or about October 25, 2018, Petitioner's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas was Revoked through an Order of the Board. A copy of the October 25, 2018, Order is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Reinstatement Agreed Order.
8. On or about August 19, 2024, Petitioner submitted a Petition for Reinstatement of License to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
9. Petitioner presented the following in support of said petition:
  - A. Letter of support, from Dan Weese, Executive Director, CDP, Grand Villa of Deland
  - B. Letter of support dated August 20, 2024, from Kimberly Jones, MSBH
  - C. Letter of support dated August 27, 2024, from Amanda Garcia, Business Office Coord., at Grand Villa
  - D. Letter of support dated August 16, 2024, from Tim Harrison Executive Director, Grand Villa
  - E. Documentation of the required continuing education contact hours.
10. The Executive Director considered evidence of Petitioner's past behavior in light of the factors set out in 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.27 and determined that Petitioner currently demonstrates the criteria required for relicensure.
11. Relicensure of Petitioner poses no direct threat to the health and safety of patients or the public provided Petitioner complies with the stipulations outlined in this Order.
12. The Executive Director's review of Petitioner's eligibility for relicensure has been made on the basis of Petitioner's disclosures.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
2. This reinstatement is made pursuant to Sections 301.453(c) and 301.467, Texas Occupations Code and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.26.
3. The Board may relicense an individual upon evaluation of the factors in 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.27, and pursuant to 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.33, if the Board is satisfied that the individual is able to consistently conform her conduct to the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, the Board's Rules and Regulations, and generally accepted standards of nursing practice.

4. This Order is conditioned upon the accuracy and completeness of Petitioner's disclosures. Any subsequently discovered discrepancies will result in investigation and possible disciplinary action, up to revocation of Petitioner's license(s).
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. REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSURE AND APPLICABILITY**

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that the petition of ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA for reinstatement of license to practice nursing in the State of Texas be **GRANTED** and Vocational Nurse License Number 188644 is/are hereby **REINSTATED** in accordance with the terms of this Order.

- A. PETITIONER SHALL submit an application for licensure renewal/reactivation, as applicable, and pay all re-registration fees, if any, and PETITIONER'S licensure status in the State of Texas will be activated and updated to current status and to reflect the applicable conditions outlined herein.
- B. Until successfully completed, this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to PETITIONER to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- C. Until successfully completed, this Order SHALL be applicable to PETITIONER'S nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- D. Until successfully completed, PETITIONER may not practice nursing in the State of Texas except in accordance with the terms of this Order.
- E. As a result of this Order, PETITIONER'S license(s) will be designated "single state" as applicable and PETITIONER 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, PETITIONER 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 Reinstatement Agreed Order.

### III. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

In addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may require for licensure renewal, PETITIONER SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) **within one (1) year of relicensure, 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. **The course "Righting a Wrong,"** a 3.0 contact hour online program provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) International Center for Regulatory Scholarship (ICRS).

In order to receive credit for completion of this/these course(s), PETITIONER 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. PETITIONER 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](http://www.bon.texas.gov/compliance).*

### IV. EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

In order to complete the terms of this Order, PETITIONER 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:** PETITIONER 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, PETITIONER 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:** PETITIONER 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. PETITIONER 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, PETITIONER 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 PETITIONER and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. PETITIONER SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). PETITIONER SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. PETITIONER SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
- D. **Indirect Supervision:** For the remainder of the stipulation/probation period, PETITIONER 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 PETITIONER, 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 PETITIONER is currently working. PETITIONER SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). PETITIONER SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. PETITIONER SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

- E. **Nursing Performance Evaluations:** PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the PETITIONER by the Board, periodic reports as to PETITIONER'S capability to practice nursing. These reports shall be completed by the individual who supervises the PETITIONER 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.

V. **RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)**

Upon full compliance with the terms of this Reinstatement Agreed Order, all encumbrances will be removed from PETITIONER'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, PETITIONER may be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

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### PETITIONER'S CERTIFICATION

I understand this Order is conditioned upon the accuracy and completeness of my petition and disclosures. I further understand that subsequently discovered discrepancies in my petition and/or disclosures will result in investigation and possible disciplinary action, up to revocation of my license(s).

I have reviewed this Order. I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Order. I waive representation by counsel. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order, and any conditions of said Order. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order is subject to ratification by the Board. When this Order is ratified, the terms of this Order become effective, and a copy will be mailed to me. I agree to inform the Board of any other fact or event that could constitute a ground for denial of licensure prior to reinstating my license(s) to practice nursing in the state of Texas. 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 REVOCATION of my license(s) and/or nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

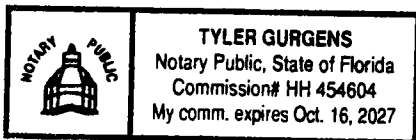
Signed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025.

Angela Patricia Adragna  
ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA, PETITIONER

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025.

SEAL

Tyler Gurgens  
Notary Public in and for the State of Florida



STATE OF FLORIDA      COUNTY OF Volusia  
Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of  
☒ physical presence or ( ) online notarization, this 28<sup>th</sup>  
day of February, 2025, by Angela Adragna  
(name of person making statement).  
Personally Known ( ) OR Produced Identification ( ☒ )  
Type of Identification Produced: FL Driver License  
(Signature of Notary Public) Tyler Gurgens  
(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)  
Affix Notary SEAL

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Reinstatement Agreed Order that was signed on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025, by ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA, Vocational Nurse License Number 188644, and said Reinstatement Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

*Kristin K. Benton, DNP, RN*

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Kristin K. Benton, DNP, RN  
Executive Director on behalf  
of said Board



I do hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.  
*Stephanie Coleman*  
Executive Director of the Board

**DOCKET NUMBER 507-18-4088**

**IN THE MATTER OF  
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE  
NUMBER 188644,  
ISSUED TO  
ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA**

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**BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE  
OF  
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

**OPINION AND ORDER OF THE BOARD**

TO: ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA  
200 TWIN MOUNTAIN RD BOX H4  
APT D6  
WIMBERLY, TX 78676

SARAH STARNES  
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
300 WEST 15TH STREET  
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

At the regularly scheduled public meeting on October 25-26, 2018, the Texas Board of Nursing (Board) considered the following items: (1) Order No. 1, *Conditional Order of Default Dismissal and Remand*, issued by the ALJ in the above cited matter; (2) Staff's recommendation that the Board revoke the Respondent's vocational nursing license by default; and (3) Respondent's recommendation to the Board regarding the above cited matter, if any.

On August 9, 2018, the ALJ convened a hearing on the merits in this matter. Staff of the Board was present for the hearing. However, the Respondent was not present at the hearing, and no one appeared on her behalf. During the hearing on August 9, 2018, Staff introduced evidence into the record demonstrating that Respondent had been sent a Notice of Hearing by first class certified mail return receipt requested to her last known address of record maintained by the Board in accordance with 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.10(a). The ALJ found that Staff's notice was adequate and issued Order No. 1, *Conditional Order of Default Dismissal and Remand*, granting Staff's Motion for Default and dismissing the case from the docket of SOAH and remanding it to the Board for informal disposition on a default basis in accordance with the Government Code §2001.056.

The Board, after review and due consideration of Order No. 1, issued by the ALJ in the above cited matter, finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with the Government Code §2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Occupations Code Chapter 301 (Nursing Practice Act) for retention of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas. The Board further finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with the Occupations Code §301.458. The Board further finds that proper and timely notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in accordance with the requirements of the Government Code §2001.051 and §2001.052 and 1 Tex. Admin. Code §155.501. The Board further finds that the

Respondent failed to appear in accordance with 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 213 and 1 Tex. Admin. Code §155.501. As a result of the Respondent's failure to appear, the Board has determined that the factual allegations listed in the Formal Charges are to be deemed admitted by default and the Board is authorized to enter a default order against the Respondent pursuant to the Government Code §2001.056 and 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.22. Further, the Board has determined that it is entitled to revoke the Respondent's vocational nursing license pursuant to 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.33(m).

Therefore, the Board hereby adopts the factual allegations and conclusions of law contained in the Formal Charges, which have been deemed admitted, and which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes, and 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 in accordance with the Government Code Chapter 2001 and 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.23(l), as applicable. 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.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED THAT Permanent Certificate Number 188644, previously issued to ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

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

FURTHER, pursuant to the Occupations Code §301.467, RESPONDENT is not eligible to petition for reinstatement of licensure until at least one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order. Further, upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT must satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

Entered this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

  
KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE BOARD

Attachment: Formal Charges

In the Matter of  
Permanent Vocational Nurse  
License Number 188644  
Issued to ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA,  
Respondent

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§ BOARD OF NURSING

### FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA, is a Vocational Nurse holding License Number 188644, 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 July 24, 2017, while employed as a Charge Nurse with Deer Creek of Wimberly, Wimberly, Texas, Respondent failed to initiate cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) when she assessed Resident Medical Record Number 2016132, and found that the resident had no respirations or pulse. Respondent called the on-call Registered Nurse who pronounced the resident deceased, and subsequently checked the resident's chart, and found that he was Full Code status. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the resident from lack of appropriate nursing care, including possible demise.

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)(M)&(2)(A) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(4).

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 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, [www.bon.texas.gov](http://www.bon.texas.gov).

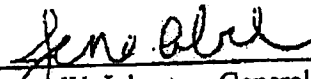
NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, located at 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.33(b), which can be found under the "Discipline & Complaints; Board Policies & Guidelines" section of the Board's website, [www.bon.texas.gov](http://www.bon.texas.gov).

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Respondent's past disciplinary history, as set out below and described in the Order(s) which is/are attached and incorporated by reference as part of these

charges, will be offered in support of the disposition recommended by staff: Order dated July 23, 2015.

Filed this 22nd day of January, 2013.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

  
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Attachments: Order of the Board dated July 23, 2015.

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| ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA,                   | § | FOR                      |
| Vocational Nurse License Number 188644 and | § |                          |
| PETITIONER for Eligibility for Licensure   | § | DISCIPLINE & ELIGIBILITY |

I hereby certify that this is a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file in the office of the Texas Board of Nursing.  
*Robert A. Brown*  
Executive Director of the Board

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of Vocational Nurse License Number 188644 and the Petition for Declaratory Order and supporting documents filed by ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA, hereinafter referred to as PETITIONER, together with any documents and information gathered by staff and Petitioner's Certification contained herein.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that PETITIONER may be subject to discipline and ineligible for licensure pursuant to Sections 301.452(b)(10)&(13) and 301.453, Texas Occupations Code.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. On or about April 16, 2015, PETITIONER submitted a Petition for Declaratory Order requesting a determination of eligibility for licensure in compliance with Sections 301.252, 301.253, 301.257 and 301.258, Texas Occupations Code, and the Board's Rules at 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.30.
2. Petitioner waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings and consented to the entry of this Order.
3. Petitioner is currently enrolled in an Associate Degree in Nursing program at Galen College, San Antonio, Texas, with an anticipated graduation date of July 6, 2017.
4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from St. Joseph Hospital, Nashua, New Hampshire, on March 10, 1994. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on April 9, 2003.

5. Petitioner completed the Petition for Declaratory Order and answered "Yes" to the question which reads as follows: *"For any criminal offense, including those pending appeal, have you:*

- A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?*
- B. been convicted of a felony?*
- C. pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?*
- D. received deferred adjudication?*
- E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?*
- F. been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? court-ordered confinement?*
- G. been granted pre-trial diversion?*
- H. been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?*
- I. been cited or charged with any violation of the law?*
- J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?*

*(You may only exclude Class C misdemeanor traffic violations.)"*

6. Petitioner disclosed the following criminal history, to wit:

- A. On or about May 21, 2010, Petitioner was arrested by the Leander Police Department, Leander, Texas, and charged with Theft Prop >=\$20<\$500 By Check, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on August 29, 2008, Cause No. 09-04111-2.
- B. On or about June 23, 2010, Petitioner paid restitution and the case was dismissed. There is no evidence of any subsequent criminal conduct.

7. After considering the action taken by the Board of Nursing, along with Petitioner's subsequent conduct, the Executive Director is satisfied that Petitioner should be able to meet the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, the Board's Rules and Regulations, and generally accepted standards of nursing practice.

8. On or about February 18, 2013, through March 21, 2013, while employed with Home Therapy of Austin, Austin, Texas, Petitioner falsified physical assessment documentation and hours worked for Patient Medical Record Numbers: 1-1576, 1-1485, 1-1293-03, and 1-1755 on eight (8) occasions, when in fact Petitioner did not actually see the patients during the referenced dates. Petitioner's conduct was deceptive and resulted in an inaccurate medical record that exposed the patient unnecessarily to the risk of harm in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation to provide further care. Respondent's conduct was likely to defraud the patients thereof the cost of the skilled nursing visits, which were never done..

9. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Petitioner states that the only error on her part was possibly not signing patient signature logs in the home with vital signs due to the fact that patients sometimes were not able to find their folder.

10. Petitioner has sworn that, with the exception of matters disclosed in connection with the Application by Petition for Declaratory Order, her past behavior conforms to the Board's professional character requirements at 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.27.
11. Petitioner presented no evidence of behavior which is inconsistent with good professional character.
12. The Executive Director considered evidence of Petitioner's past behavior in light of the character factors set out in 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.27 and determined that Petitioner currently demonstrates the criteria required for good professional character.
13. The Executive Director considered evidence of Petitioner's past criminal conduct in light of the considerations and criteria provided in 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§213.28 & 213.33, and, if applicable, Chapter 53, Section 53.001 *et seq.*, Texas Occupations Code.
14. Licensure of Petitioner poses no direct threat to the health and safety of patients or the public provided Petitioner complies with the stipulations outlined in this Order.
15. The Executive Director's review of the grounds for potential ineligibility has been made on the basis of Petitioner's disclosures.
16. Petitioner has been advised by the Board that any information found to be incomplete, incorrect or misleading to the Board or a subsequent discovery of a basis of ineligibility will be considered by the Board and may result in an ultimate determination of ineligibility or the later revocation of a license obtained through fraud or deceit.
17. Petitioner shall immediately notify the Board of any fact or event that could constitute a ground of ineligibility for licensure under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 301.452 and 301.453, Texas Occupations Code.
2. On or about April 16, 2015, PETITIONER submitted a Petition for Declaratory Order requesting a determination of eligibility for licensure in compliance with Sections 301.252, 301.253, 301.257 and 301.258, Texas Occupations Code, and the Board's Rules at 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.30.
3. Petitioner's history reflects conduct which may constitute grounds for discipline and denial of a license under Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code.

4. The Board may probate the denial of a license under conditions for a specified term pursuant to Section 301.453, Texas Occupations Code.
5. The Board may license an individual who has been previously convicted, adjudged guilty by a court, pled guilty or pled nolo contendere to any crime whether or not a sentence was imposed upon consideration of the factors set out in 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.28 and evaluating the direct relationship to nursing according to 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.28 and, if applicable, Chapter 53, Section 53.001 *et seq.*, Texas Occupations Code.
6. The Board may license an individual with prior behaviors inconsistent with the Board's character requirements if, upon evaluation of the factors in 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.27, and pursuant to 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.33, the Board is satisfied that the individual is able to consistently conform her conduct to the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, the Board's Rules and Regulations, and generally accepted standards of nursing practice.
7. This Order is conditioned upon the accuracy and completeness of Petitioner's disclosures. Any subsequently discovered discrepancies will result in investigation and possible disciplinary action, up to revocation of Petitioner's license(s).

#### ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that PETITIONER SHALL receive the sanction of a **REPRIMAND WITH STIPULATIONS AND FINE**, and upon meeting the requirements for graduation of an appropriate program in nursing education and payment of any required fees, and PETITIONER is ELIGIBLE to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN® Examination) and/or the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN® Examination), as applicable.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that PETITIONER SHALL NOT be eligible for temporary authorization to practice as a Graduate Vocational Nurse (GVN) and/or as a Graduate Nurse (GN), as applicable, in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that, upon payment of any required fees and upon attaining a passing grade on the appropriate National Council Licensure Examination, PETITIONER shall be issued the applicable license to practice nursing in the State of Texas, and while under the terms of this Order, all licenses issued to PETITIONER shall be subject to the following stipulations:

PETITIONER SHALL obtain and read the Texas Nursing Practice Act and the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure, and Practice.

PETITIONER SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.1 *et seq.*, and this Order.

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

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while PETITIONER'S license(s) is/are encumbered by this Order, PETITIONER may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a nurse licensure compact privilege without the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where PETITIONER wishes to work.

(1) PETITIONER SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics. PETITIONER SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is not being offered by a pre-approved provider. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include nurses. It 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. PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Office of the Board to verify PETITIONER'S successful completion of the course. This course shall be taken in addition to any other courses stipulated in this Order, if any, and in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board has for relicensure. *Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: <http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html>.*

(2) PETITIONER SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete 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 PETITIONER to successfully complete both the didactic and clinical portions of the course. *Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: <http://www.bon.texas.gov/compliance>.*

(3) PETITIONER SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete 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. *Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: <http://www.bon.texas.gov/compliance>.*

(4) PETITIONER SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a 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. *Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: <http://www.bon.texas.gov/compliance>.*

(5) PETITIONER SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) within forty-five (45) days of entry 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.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD PETITIONER PRACTICE AS A NURSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, PETITIONER WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR OTHER CLINICAL SETTING AND PETITIONER MUST WORK IN SUCH SETTING A MINIMUM OF SIXTY-FOUR (64) HOURS PER MONTH UNDER THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS FOR TWO (2) YEARS OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE STIPULATION PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS 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 STIPULATION PERIOD:

(6) PETITIONER 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, PETITIONER 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.

(7) PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Petitioner by the Board, to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Petitioner by the Board, to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.

(8) For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, PETITIONER 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 PETITIONER and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. PETITIONER SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). PETITIONER SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. PETITIONER SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

(9) For the remainder of the stipulation/probation period, PETITIONER 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 PETITIONER, 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 experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the Petitioner is currently working. PETITIONER SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). PETITIONER SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. PETITIONER SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

(10) PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the Petitioner by the Board, periodic reports as to PETITIONER'S capability to practice nursing. These reports shall be completed by the nurse who supervises the PETITIONER and these reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse 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.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from PETITIONER'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and PETITIONER may be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

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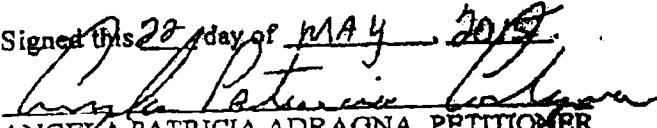
PETITIONER'S CERTIFICATION

I am the Petitioner in this matter. I have fully and truthfully disclosed all of my past conduct which could constitute grounds for licensure ineligibility, and I have caused a complete and accurate criminal history to be submitted to the Texas Board of Nursing from each jurisdiction in which I have been adjudged guilty by way of conviction or deferred order. I certify that my past behavior, except as disclosed in my application and/or petition, has been in conformity with the Board's character rule. I have provided the Board with complete and accurate documentation of my past conduct in violation of the penal law of any jurisdiction which was disposed of through any procedure short of conviction, such as: conditional discharge, deferred adjudication or dismissal. I have no criminal prosecution pending in any jurisdiction.

In connection with my application and/or petition, I acknowledge that I have read and I understand Sections 301.157(d), 301.252, 301.253, 301.257, 301.258, 301.260, 301.452, and 301.453, Texas Occupations Code, and Chapter 53, Section 53.001 *et seq.*, Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§213.27, 213.28, 213.29, and 213.30. I agree with all terms of this Order, including the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and any stipulations as set out in this Order. I acknowledge that this Order is stipulated and I understand that I am not eligible to receive a Temporary Permit to practice nursing. I agree to inform the Board of any other fact or event that could constitute a ground for denial of licensure prior to accepting any license from the Texas Board of Nursing.

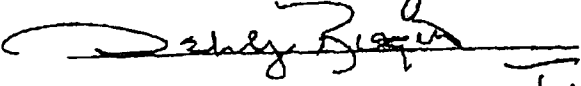
I understand that if I fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, I will be subject to investigation and disciplinary sanction, including revocation of my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

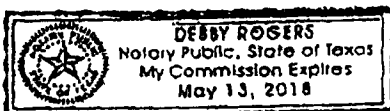
I understand that I can be represented by an attorney in this matter. I waive representation, notice, administrative hearing, and judicial review of this Order and request that the Texas Board of Nursing ratify this Order.

Signed this 22 day of MAY, 2015.  
  
ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA, PETITIONER

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22 day of MAY, 2015

SEAL

  
Notary Public in and for the State of TEXAS



Signed this 22 day of MAY, 2015

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Eligibility Order that was signed on the 22nd day of May, 2015, by ANGELA PATRICIA ADRAGNA, Vocational Nurse License Number 188644 and PETITIONER for Eligibility for Licensure, and said Order is final.

Effective this 23rd day of July, 2015.



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