BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of

§ **AGREED**

Vocational Nurse License Number 138353

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Issued to DEBORAH RANE CRAWFORD

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On this day the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of DEBORAH RANE CRAWFORD, Vocational Nurse License Number 138353, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on October 16, 2005, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director.

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.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Midland College, Fort Stockton, Texas, on September 3, 1992. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on December 6, 1992.
- 5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

10/1992 - 04/2004

Staff GVN/LVN

Pecos County General Hospital

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Executive Director of the Board

5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

05/2004 - 08/2005

Staff LVN

Cedar Hills Geriatric Center CampWood, Texas

08/2005 - Present

Not employed in Nursing

- 6. At the time of the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7) and Eight (8), Respondent was employed as a Staff LVN in the Medical-Surgical Unit with Cedar Hills Geriatric Center, CampWood, Texas, and had been in this position for four (4) months.
- 7. On or about September 25, 2004, while employed as a Staff LVN in the Medical-Surgical Unit with the Cedar Hills Geriatric Center, CampWood, Texas, Respondent inserted a foley catheter into Resident O.D. without a physician's order in an effort to alleviate pain experienced by the patient. Respondent's conduct unnecessarily exposed the patient to a risk of injury, including exacerbation of urinary tract infection, clot formation, and/or obstruction.
- 8. On or about September 25, 2004, while employed as a Staff LVN in the Medical-Surgical Unit with the Cedar Hills Geriatric Center, CampWood, Texas, Respondent prematurely made an entry into the medical record stating that she had received instructions from the Director of Nurses to insert a Foley catheter and call in a prescription. Respondent states that this entry was predicated on the assumption that she would receive a physician's order at a later time to catheterize the patient. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurate medical record.

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 of Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(2)&(3).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 138353, heretofore issued to DEBORAH RANE CRAWFORD, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Board of Nurse Examiners, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of REMEDIAL EDUCATION, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as amended, Texas Occupations Code §§301.001 et seq., the Rules and Regulations Relating to Vocational Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.01 et seq. and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice vocational nursing in compact states.

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

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

- (1) RESPONDENT SHALL deliver the wallet-sized license issued to DEBORAH RANE CRAWFORD, to the office of the Board of Nurse Examiners within ten (10) days of the date of ratification of this Order for appropriate notation.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is <u>not</u> being offered by a preapproved 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) contact hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, and documentation of care. Courses focusing on malpractice issues will not be accepted. RESPONDENT 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 RESPONDENT'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 on the Board's website, www.bne.state.tx.us (under BNE events).

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing documentation. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. The course shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length of classroom time. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include Nurses. The course shall include content on the following: 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. RESPONDENT SHALL cause the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Board's office to verify RESPONDENT'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 on the Board's website www.bne.state.tx.us (under BNE events).

(4) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing ethics. RESPONDENT 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. The course shall be a minimum of six (6) contact hours in length. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include Nurses. The course shall include content on the following: principles of nursing ethics; confidentiality; and professional boundaries. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to verify RESPONDENT's successful completion of the course. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. Board approved courses may be found on the Board's website, www.bne.state.tx.us (under BNE events).

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be issued an unencumbered license and multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

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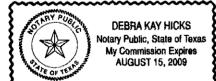
RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, 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 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 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 to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3th day of December

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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas



WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Board of Nurse Examiners for
the State of Texas does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 28th
day of <u>December</u> , 20 <u>05</u> , by DEBORAH RANE CRAWFORD, Vocational Nurse
License Number 138353, and said Order is final.

Effective this 1 day of January, 2006.

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