

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of	§	REINSTATEMENT
Vocational Nurse License Number 301864	§	AGREED ORDER
issued to KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON	§	
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On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, consider the Petition for Reinstatement, hereinafter referred to as the Petition, of Vocational Nurse License Number 301864, held by KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON, 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 June 12, 2025.

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 Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Brightwood College-Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas, on May 11, 2011. Petitioner was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on August 4, 2011.
4. Petitioner's nursing employment history includes:

08/2011 – 06/12	LVN	Care Stat Home Health Corpus Christi, Texas
06/12 – 10/12	LVN	Del Cielo Corpus Christi, Texas
10/12 – 06/15	LVN	Nurses on Wheels Corpus Christi, Texas

Petitioner's nursing employment history continued:

07/15 - Unknown	LVN	Sava Senior Care Corpus Christi, Texas
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09/2019 – Present	Not employed in nursing
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5. On or about May 9, 2017, Petitioner was issued the sanction of Warning with Stipulations through an Order of the Board. A copy of the May 9, 2017, Order is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Reinstatement Agreed Order.
6. On or about October 30, 2018, the Board accepted the Voluntary Surrender of Petitioner's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas through an Order of the Board. A copy of the October 30, 2018, Order is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Reinstatement Agreed Order.
7. On or about June 3, 2025, Petitioner submitted a Petition for Reinstatement of License to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
8. Petitioner presented the following in support of said petition:
 - A. Letter of recommendation dated, March 31, 2025, from Raven Lloyd, states that her former co-worker has an unwavering commitment to everything that she does.
 - B. Letter of recommendation dated, April 1, 2025 from Rosie Morales, who states Petitioner, her former co-worker, possesses the ability to connect with others during their need for support and understanding in challenging times.
 - C. Documentation of the required continuing education contact hours.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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 KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON for reinstatement of license to practice nursing in the State of Texas be **GRANTED** and Vocational Nurse License Number 301864 is/are hereby **REINSTATED** in accordance with the terms of this Order.

- A. Until successfully completed, this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to PETITIONER to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- B. 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.
- C. Until successfully completed, PETITIONER 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, 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. REQUIREMENTS FOR VOCATIONAL NURSING REFRESHER COURSE, EXTENSIVE ORIENTATION, OR NURSING PROGRAM OF STUDY IN VOCATIONAL NURSING

Prior to practicing as a vocational nurse in the State of Texas, PETITIONER SHALL:

- A. **Apply for a Six Month Temporary Permit to Complete Refresher Course, Extensive Orientation, or Nursing Program of Study in Vocational Nursing** for the limited purpose of completing a refresher course, extensive orientation, or nursing program of study in vocational nursing. The application for the Six Month Temporary Permit is available via the Nurse Portal on the Board's website (www.bon.texas.gov). PETITIONER SHALL NOT, in any way, attempt to use the temporary permit for any purpose other than completing the refresher course, extensive orientation, or nursing program of study in vocational nursing.
- B. **Successfully complete a Board approved refresher course, extensive orientation, or nursing program of study for vocational nursing.** Petitioner MUST obtain Board approval of the nursing refresher course, extensive orientation, or nursing program, as applicable, prior to enrollment. In order for the course to be approved:
1. The target audience shall include vocational nurses;
 2. The course instructor must be a qualified registered nurse who meets or exceeds the Board's minimum criteria for eligibility as an instructor;
 3. The course's content shall, at a minimum, include:
 - Review of NPA, Rules, and Position Statements;
 - Determination of Individual Scope of Practice and role in patient safety;

- Review of the clinical problem solving process for the provision of individualized, goal directed nursing care to include: (i) Collecting data & performing focused nursing assessments; (ii) Participating in the planning of nursing care needs for clients; (iii) Participating in the development & modification of the comprehensive nursing care plan for assigned clients; (iv) Implementing appropriate aspects of care within the LVN's scope of practice; and (v) Assisting in the evaluation of the client's responses to nursing interventions and the identification of client needs;
 - Pharmacology review;
 - Medication administration;
 - Documentation, quality assurance, and legal implication for nursing practice; and
 - Documentation of current CPR certification prior to beginning precepted clinical learning experience; and
4. The course must contain no less than a total of 80 hours of clinical practice providing direct patient care precepted by a qualified registered or vocational nurse. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.

- C. **Upon completion of the refresher course, extensive orientation, or nursing program of study for vocational nursing**, PETITIONER SHALL return the temporary permit to the Board's office and PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to notify the Board, on a form provided by the Board, of Petitioner's successful completion of the refresher course, including the required 80 hours of precepted clinical practice.
- D. **Upon verification of successful completion of the conditions** as set out in Paragraphs A through C of this Section, PETITIONER SHALL submit a completed License Reactivation Form for Vocational Nurses, which is available via the Nurse Portal on the Board's website (www.bon.texas.gov). PETITIONER shall pay all re-registration fees and, subject to meeting all other requirements for licensure in Texas, shall be issued the applicable license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, which shall be subject to the terms of this Order.

IV. **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.*

V. **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 four (4) quarterly periods [one (1) year] of employment. This requirement will not be satisfied until four (4) 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. **Indirect Supervision:** 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.
- D. **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 four (4) quarters [one (1) year] of employment as a nurse.

VI. 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 16th day of October, 2025.

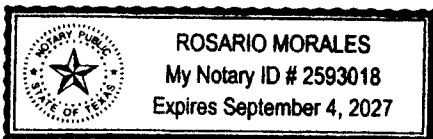
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KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON, PETITIONER

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of October, 2025.

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Rosario Morales

Notary Public in and for the State of TEXAS.

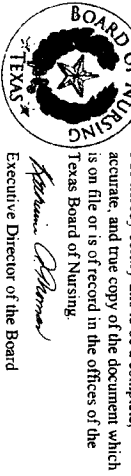


WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Reinstatement Agreed Order that was signed on the 16th day of October, 2025, by KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON, Vocational Nurse License Number 301864, and said Reinstatement Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 9th day of December, 2025.

Kristin K. Benton, DNP, RN

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



BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of
KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON,
Vocational Nurse License Number 301864

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ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON, Vocational Nurse License Number 301864, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived notice 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

1. Respondent's license to practice as a vocational nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.
2. Respondent waived notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
3. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Brightwood College-Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas, on May 11, 2011. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on August 4, 2011.
4. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

08/11 - 06/12

LVN

Care Stat Home Health
Corpus Christi, Texas

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

06/12 - 10/12	LVN	Del Cielo Corpus Christi, Texas
10/12 - 06/15	LVN	Nurses on Wheels Corpus Christi, Texas
07/15 - Present	LVN	Sava Senior Care Corpus Christi, Texas

5. On or about May 9, 2017, Respondent was issued the sanction of Warning with Stipulations through an Order of the Board. A copy of the May 9, 2017, Order is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.
6. On or about December 31, 1969, the Board provided notice to Respondent that an investigation was being initiated into alleged violations of the Nursing Practice Act and/or the Board's Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure, and Practice, as follows:
 - o On or about May 10, 2018, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on May 9, 2017, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of her failure to comply with Roman Numeral III. Remedial Education Course(s) (A), of the Agreed Order which states, in pertinent part: RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education courses within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, 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.
 - o On or about May 10, 2018, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on May 9, 2017, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of her failure to comply with Roman Numeral III. Remedial Education Course(s) (B), of the Agreed Order which states, in pertinent part: RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education courses within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated:
 - B. A Board-approved course in nursing documentation that shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length.

- On or about May 10, 2018, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on May 9, 2017, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of her failure to comply with Roman Numeral III. Remedial Education Course(s) (C), of the Agreed Order which states, in pertinent part: RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education courses within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated:
- C. 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.
7. On October 30, 2018, the Board received a notarized statement from Respondent voluntarily surrendering the right to practice nursing in Texas. A copy of Respondent's statement, dated October 30, 2018, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

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 §217.12 (11)(B)
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b) (1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 301864, heretofore issued to KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.


October 23rd, 2018

Texas Board of Nursing
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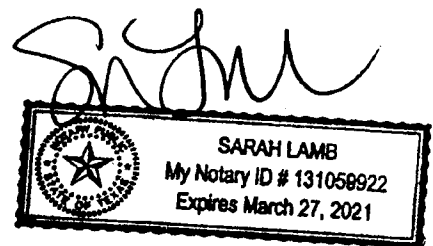
To whom it may concern:

I Khala Ashlee Tomlinson LVN # 301864 hereby voluntarily surrender my license as of October 23rd, 2018.

Sincerely,



Khala Ashlee Tomlinson



TERMS OF ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Vocational Nurse License Number 301864 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 ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Effective this 30th day of October, 2018



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

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of	§	AGREED
Vocational Nurse License Number 301864	§	
issued to KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON	§	ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON, Vocational Nurse License Number 301864, 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), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on January 5, 2017.

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 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 Kaplan College, Corpus Christi, Texas on May 11, 2011. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on August 4, 2011.
5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

08/11 - 06/12	LVN	Care Stat Home Health
		Corpus Christi, Texas

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6. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Nurse on Wheels, Corpus Christi, and assigned to Brookdale Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas, and had been in that position for two (2) years and eight (8) months.
7. On or about June 2, 2015, through June 17, 2015, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Nurses on Wheels, Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas, Respondent falsely documented the time and duration of skilled nursing visits she conducted for multiple patients. Respondent's conduct created inaccurate medical records and was likely to defraud and deceive the facility of money paid to the Respondent for hours not actually worked. In addition, Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation for further care.
8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that she saw all of her patients at the approximate times stated therein and provided the care required for the amount of time indicated on the Visit/Activity Record. She states at all times for all patients, she provided professional quality care for each patient and at no time was there any potential harm to any of the patients or the public.

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)(C)&(1)(D) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C),(4),(6)(A),(6)(H)&(10)(B).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 301864, heretofore issued to KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON.

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 **WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS AND A FINE** 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. Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state without first obtaining the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the nurse licensure compact party state where Respondent wishes to work.

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 Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§211.1 *et seq.*, and this Order.

III. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

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IV. MONETARY FINE

RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) 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.

V. EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

In order to complete the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT 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 four (4) quarterly periods [one (1) year] of employment. This requirement will not be satisfied until four (4) quarterly periods of employment as a nurse have elapsed. Any quarterly period without continuous employment with the same employer for all three (3) months will not count towards completion of this requirement. 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.

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VI. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

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

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

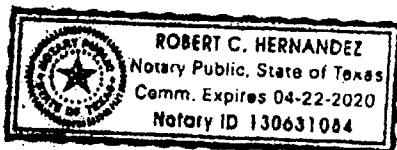
I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the entry of this Order, and any conditions of said Order, to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that when this Order becomes final and the terms of this Order become effective, 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) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 6 day of April, 2017.

Khala Tomlinson
KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of April, 2017.

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[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Approved as to form and substance.

Reynaldo Martinez Jr
Reynaldo Martinez Jr, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 6 day of April, 2017.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 6th day of April, 20 17, by KHALA ASHLEE TOMLINSON, Vocational Nurse License Number 301864, and said Order is final.

Effective this 9th day of May, 20 17.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Katherine A. Thomas".

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