

BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

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July 27, 1992

Mark Aaron Taylor 205 Dowling Palestine, Texas 75801

Dear Mr. Taylor:

After review of your petition for a Declaratory Order of eligibility, you have been granted permission to write the NCLEX-RN examination upon completion of requirements for graduation. Please submit a copy of this letter with your Registration by Examination application.

Your eligibility to take the NCLEX-RN may be affected by any inaccuracies in your petition. Additionally, any subsequent violations of the Nurse Practice Act may affect your eligibility to take the NCLEX-RN.

If you should have any further questions, please feel free to contact our office at 512/835-8650.

Sincerely,

Louise Waddill, Ph.D., R.N.

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Executive Director

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Enclosure: Declaratory Order

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

In the Matter of Petitioner §

MARK AARON TAYLOR §

DECLARATORY ORDER

A petition for eligibility has been received at the office of the Board of Nurse Examiners, hereinafter referred to as the Board, in accordance with Article 4519(a), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended, having been submitted by MARK AARON TAYLOR, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioner is currently planning to enroll in an educational program that prepares an individual for initial licensure as a professional nurse in the State of Texas.
- 2. On March 19, 1992, Petitioner submitted a petition for eligibility to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.
- 3. Petitioner has reason to believe that he may be ineligible for licensure as a professional nurse in the State of Texas.
- 4. Petitioner submitted a letter to the Board of Nurse Examiners which states:

"Dear Lisa, As we discussed earlier I have sent to you this day official documents regarding my two arrests to be evaluated for State Board eligibility.

With these I have also included a letter, for each case, stating just what exactly occurred on the occasion.

If there are any questions regarding either case please write to me or feel free to call: (903) 729-4513 and I will be more than happy to help.

If calling, (I am a full time student & substitute teacher, both of which keep me quite busy during the day) please leave a message & I will return your call as soon as possible. Thanks again, Mark Taylor."

"Regarding Jan. 1991 Case: Reckless Conduct

On the night of Jan. 13th, while en route home from Tyler, Tx., I was

stopped just inside the city limits of Palestine by a patrolman who said he clocked me going around 5 miles over the speed limit.

After discussing with the officer where I was coming from & going to, he asked if I had anything to drink that night to which I honestly answered "yes" (my wife & I were returning home from an Italian restaurant located in Tyler where there we had a few glasses of wine along with our meal). The officer then decided to take me in & charge me w/DWI.

The next day I consulted an attorney on this matter. I was at this time district manager for a company, located here in Palestine, to which there I received co. benefits including a co. car, to be used in my work since I traveled 60-70,000 miles a year, as long as I maintained an excellent driving record. In discussing my situation with my attorney he reassured me that I shouldn't have any problem resolving this matter, thus he & I decided to see the judge so as possible.

On the 29th of that same month I went before a judge who, taking my good background (& the fact that I had not had very much to drink that night anyway) into consideration only found me guilty of a lesser charge of reckless *conduct (as opposed to reckless *driving, so not to damage my driving record).

I there & then paid a fine of \$600.00 (+ \$131.50 court costs), thus ending the case.

Charge: Reckless Conduct: Class B Misdemeanor

Regarding Dec. 1976 Case: DWI

In Dec. 1976, while as a freshman student at Sam Houston St. U., I was observed, by a campus policeman, failing to come to a complete stop at a stop sign (while en route back to my dormitory; after leaving a fraternity party).

The officer then pulled me over & noticing alcohol on my breath, decided to take me in for a possible DWI offense.

On Dec. 8th I went before a judge concerning my offense to which I was fined \$125.00 (+ \$49.00 court costs), (both of which I paid there & then), & was put on a probation period of 6 months (10 days jail deferred as long as I carried out my probation successfully, to which I, of course, did.).

Charge: DWI: Misdemeanor

- 5. On or about December 8, 1976, in the County Court of Walker County, Texas, Petitioner was convicted of D.W.I.
- 6. On or about December 8, 1976, in the county Court of Walker County, Texas, Petitioner was assessed punishment at a fine of \$125.00 and placed on probation for a period of six (6) months, for the offense of D.W.I.

- 7. On or about April 29, 1992, Petitioner was discharged from probation by the County Court of Walker County, Texas, for the offense of D.W.I. for which he was convicted on December 8, 1976.
- 8. On or about January 29, 1991, in County of Anderson, Texas, Petitioner was convicted of a reckless conduct charge. The offense occurred on January 13, 1991.
- 9. On or about January 29, 1991, Petitioner was assessed a punishment of a \$600.00 fine and \$131.50 for court costs, for the offense of reckless conduct.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Article 4519(a).
- 2. Petitioner has submitted a petition in compliance with Article 4519(a), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended.
- 3. The evidence presented constitutes sufficient evidence to take action under powers granted by Article 4525(a), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended.

<u>ORDER</u>

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas does hereby order and declare that MARK AARON TAYLOR is <u>ELIGIBLE</u> to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.

This Order determines Petitioner's eligibility with respect to the basis for potential ineligibility set out in this Order only.

Upon receipt of licensure to practice professional nursing, Petitioner's license may be subject to disciplinary action including but not limited to stipulations or probation conditions under which Petitioner may practice.

Any inaccuracies in the petition for eligibility may affect Petitioner's ability to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.

Any <u>subsequent</u> violation of the Nurse Practice Act may affect Petitioner's eligibility to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.

Entered this <u>22nd</u> day of <u>July</u>	, 1992.
Louise Waddill, Ph.D., R.N.	
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