BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson #1051 Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230

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IN THE MATTER OF Danniele Ritter

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License No. Original application Case No. 14-1655-5

AMENDED SUMMARY ORDER (to correct spelling of name)

Tthe above matter comes before the Kansas State Board of Nursing (Board) pursuant to authority granted to the Board by K.S.A. 65-1120. The Board hereby proposes to find facts and take disciplinary action against the applicant, Danielle Ritter, by way of Summary Order as provided by K.S.A. 77-537.

- 1. Applicant filed an application for RN licensire on or about November 5, 2015. The Board has jurisdiction over the respondent and the subject matter of this action.
- 2. Applicant's address of record is 121 N. Colby, Valley Center KS 67147.
- 3. The role of the Kansas State Board of Nursing is to protect citizens of Kansas.
- 4. After an investigation, the Board's investigative committee found reasonable grounds to believe that the applicant failed to meet the requirements to practice as a nurse in Kansas, and referred this matter for further proceedings.
- 5. K.S.A. 77-511(a)(2)(A) of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act authorizes the use of summary proceedings by a state agency if the use of summary proceedings does not violate any provision of law, the protection of the public interest does not require the state agency to give notice and an opportunity to participate to persons other than the parties, and the state agency believes in good faith, after investigation of the facts, that the allegations will be supported to the applicable standard of proof.

FINDING OF FACTS

- 6. (a) Applicant was admitted into the Tabor College RN-BSN program with the condition that she pass the RN NCLEX by 1-8-2016.
- (b) Applicant failed the NCLEX and lied to Tabor College staff, claiming she had passed the test.
- (c) Applicant fabricated and presented to the credentialing company a document that falsely represented that she had been licensed as an RN.
- (d) Applicant was dismissed from the Tabor program after the fabricated document was discovered.

7. The Kansas State Board of Nursing has the authority under K.S.A. 74-1106(c)(4), K.S.A. 65-1117(a) and K.S.A. 65-1120(a) to examine, license, renew or reinstate licenses and may

limit, deny, suspend or revoke a license or authorization to practice nursing, and may issue a public or private censure and levy administrative fines consistent with K.S.A. 74-1110.

- 8. The Kansas State Board of Nursing may deny a license as a registered nurse if the applicant is deficient in qualification, or in the quality of education, or if there are disqualifying factors under K.S.A. 65-1120 and amendments thereto. K.S.A. 65-1115 (a) & (b) & (c)(1).
- 9. Among the disqualifying factors enumerated in K.S.A. 65-1120 is unprofessional conduct as defined by the rules and regulations of the Kansas State Board of Nursing. K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6). Unprofessional conduct is defined by K.A.R. 60-3-110.
- 10. A license reinstatement requires the applicant to be competent and qualified to act as a nurse. K.S.A. 65-1117(b).

FINDINGS OF LAW AND FACT

The above facts demonstrate the applicant has not met the requirements for approval of his or her license.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING THAT

- 1. Applicant's RN application is denied.
- 2. Licensee shall not practice professional nursing in the state of Kansas.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537, this decision, which is called a Summary Order, is subject to your request for a hearing. If you desire a hearing, you must submit or direct a written request for hearing to: Kansas State Board of Nursing, Legal Division, 900 SW Jackson, Suite 1051, Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230, (785) 296-4325. THIS REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER. If a hearing is not requested in the time and manner stated, this Summary Order becomes effective as a final order, without further notice, upon the expiration of the time for requesting a hearing. If a hearing is requested, the prior issuance of a summary order shall not affect the burden of proof. Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-531, if the Summary Order is served by mail, three days are added to the time limits set out above.

Judith Hiner, RN, BSN
Investigative Committee, Chair
Kansas State Board of Nursing

15t CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Maich

I certify that on the Att day of Laborator, 2016, the foregoing copy of the Summary Order was served by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed to the following:

Danniele Ritter 121 N. Colby Valley Center KS 67147

Bryce D. Benedict, S. Ct. No. 11663 Assistant Attorney General