

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: STEVA HAIRSTON, L.P.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT
License Number: 0002-068599
Suspension Date: August 3, 2011
Case Number: 172920

**NOTICE OF FORMAL ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING
AND STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS**

You are hereby notified that a formal hearing has been scheduled before the Board of Nursing (“Board”) regarding your application for reinstatement of your license to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia following its mandatory suspension by the Department of Health Professions.

TYPE OF PROCEEDING:	This is a formal administrative hearing before a panel of the Board of Nursing.
DATE AND TIME:	July 18, 2016 9:30 A.M.
PLACE:	Virginia Department of Health Professions Perimeter Center - 9960 Mayland Drive 2 nd Floor - Virginia Conference Center Henrico, Virginia 23233

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION:

1. This formal hearing is being held pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11). This proceeding will be convened as a public meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3700.

2. The burden rests on you, as the applicant, to demonstrate that you meet the requirements of Virginia Code § 54.1-3020 and 18 VAC 90-20-230(D) and (E) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.

3. In considering your application, the Board will consider evidence that grounds may exist to deny your application for reinstatement of your license to practice practical nursing, as more fully set out in the enclosed Statement of Allegations.

4. At the conclusion of the proceeding, the Board is authorized to take any of the following actions:

- Approve your application and issue an unrestricted license to practice practical nursing;
- Approve your application and issue a restricted license subject to terms and conditions;

- Deny your application;
- Deny your application and continue your license on indefinite suspension or revoke your license.

ABSENCE OF RESPONDENT AND RESPONDENT'S COUNSEL:

If you fail to appear at the formal hearing, the Board may proceed to hear this matter in your absence and may take any of the actions outlined above.

RESPONDENT'S LEGAL RIGHTS:

You have the right to the information on which the Board will rely in making its decision, to be represented by counsel at this proceeding, to subpoena witnesses and/or documents, and to present relevant evidence on your behalf.

COMMONWEALTH'S EXHIBIT:

Enclosed is a copy of the documents that will be distributed to the members of the Board and will be considered by the Board when discussing any allegations with you and when deliberating on your case. **These documents are enclosed only with the notice sent by certified mail, which you may be required to claim at the post office. Please bring these documents with you to the formal hearing.**

FILING DEADLINES:

1. Deadline for filing exhibits: July 1, 2016. Submit 15 copies of all documents you want the Board to consider to Darlene Graham, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233. Exhibits may not be sent by facsimile or e-mail.

2. Deadline for filing motions, including requests for continuance or objections to exhibits, in writing, to Darlene Graham at the above address: July 1, 2016. NOTE: Failure to object to the distribution prior to the proceeding will not affect your right to contest any information contained in these documents at the proceeding.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409(D), reinstatement of your license requires the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the Board in attendance at the hearing.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

The Board of Nursing alleges that grounds exist to refuse to reinstate the license of Steva Hairston, L.P.N. to practice practical nursing in that:

1. Ms. Hairston violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(4) in that:

a. On or about September 22, 2003, in the Circuit Court of Danville, Virginia, Ms. Hairston was convicted of grand larceny (welfare fraud), a felony. Said conviction formed the basis of the mandatory suspension of her license.

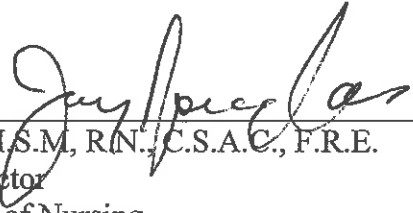
b. On or about July 22, 2013, in the Circuit Court of Danville, Virginia, Ms. Hairston was sentenced for felony shoplifting and two counts of larceny.

c. On or about October 6, 2011, in the Circuit Court of Pittsylvania County, Virginia, Ms. Hairston was convicted of felony larceny, third offense.

d. On or about February 28, 2003, in the Circuit Court of Danville, Virginia, Ms. Hairston was convicted of petit larceny, a misdemeanor.

e. On or about September 4, 1990, in the Circuit Court of Danville, Virginia, Ms. Hairston was sentenced for two counts of grand larceny, thirty-three counts of forgery and five counts of credit card fraud, all felonies, and one count of petit larceny, a misdemeanor.

2. Ms. Hairston violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(1) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(1)(b) of the Regulations in that she falsified the application for reinstatement of her license dated March 11, 2016, in that she failed to disclose the following criminal convictions: September 4, 1990, for grand larceny and forgery; February 28, 2003, for petit larceny; September 22, 2003, for grand larceny; and July 22, 2013, for felony shoplifting.



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Executive Director
Virginia Board of Nursing

June 22nd, 2016
Date