

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

HATTIE MAYO, R.M.A.

ORDER

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021, and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), a Special Conference Committee (“Committee”) of the Virginia Board of Nursing (“Board”) met on June 8, 2011, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Hattie Mayo, R.M.A., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing medication aide practice in Virginia. Ms. Mayo was present and was not represented by counsel.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Committee adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Hattie Mayo, R.M.A., was issued Registration No. 0031-003359 to practice as a medication aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia on August 17, 2009. Said registration expires on April 30, 2012.

2. By letter dated May 12, 2011, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Ms. Mayo notifying her that an informal conference would be held on June 8, 2011. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 1203 North 35th Street, Richmond, Virginia 23223, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. The certified mail receipt was signed and returned to the Board. The first class mail was not returned to the Board.

3. During the course of Ms. Mayo’s employment with Shelette’s Adult Home, Richmond, Virginia, on June 10, 2010, by her own admission, after Resident A entered the enclosed porch, Ms. Mayo locked the door to the porch behind Resident A. Resident A went onto the porch after reporting to Ms. Mayo that he felt ill. Resident A was left on the porch with the door locked for approximately 45 minutes.

Another staff member found the door locked and called emergency services for Resident A. Later that day, Resident A was diagnosed with pneumonia and hyponatremia at Henrico Doctor's Hospital, Richmond, Virginia.

4. The porch had an additional door that opened to the outside of the facility that was unlocked at the time of the incident. Resident A stated at the informal conference that while he was on the porch, he tried to get back in the facility, but the door was locked.

5. Ms. Mayo stated that she is currently employed at Shelette's Adult Home.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-60-120(2)(f) of the Regulations Governing the Registration of Medication Aides.

ORDER


On the basis of the foregoing, the Committee hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Hattie Mayo, R.M.A., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. Ms. Mayo shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a medication aide commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2 of the Code, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as public record and shall be made available for public inspection or copying on request.

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400(10) of the Code, Ms. Mayo may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on **July 25, 2011**, notify Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in writing that she desires a formal administrative hearing before the Board. Upon the filing with the Executive Director of a request for the hearing, this Order shall be vacated.

FOR THE COMMITTEE:


So^r Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C.
Executive Director, Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: June 20, 2011

This Order shall become final on **July 25, 2011**, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.