BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

CATRINA ROGERS BROWN, L.P.N.

License Number:

0002-055023

Expiration Date:

February 28, 2018

Case Number:

175376

NOTICE OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE BEFORE AN AGENCY SUBORDINATE AND STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

You are hereby notified that an informal conference has been scheduled before an Agency Subordinate of the Board of Nursing ("Board") regarding your license to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

TYPE OF PROCEEDING:	This is an informal conference before an Agency Subordinate of the Board.
DATE AND TIME:	May 25, 2017
PLACE:	at 1:00 p.m. 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 informal conference is being held pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4019 and 54.1-2400(10). This proceeding will be convened as a public meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3700.
- 2. After consideration of all information, the Agency Subordinate is authorized to take any of the following actions:
- If the Agency Subordinate finds that there is insufficient evidence to warrant further action or that the charges are without foundation, notify you by mail that your record has been cleared of any charge which might affect your right to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth;
- Recommend findings of fact, conclusions of law and a sanction, to include a reprimand, placing you on probation with terms, suspension or revocation of your license, or imposing a monetary penalty pursuant to § 54.1-2401 of the Code.

Further, the Agency Subordinate may refer this matter for a formal administrative proceeding pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4020.

Board's Review of Agency Subordinate's Recommended Decision

If you appear in person or by counsel at the informal conference, the recommendation of the Agency Subordinate will be presented to a quorum of the Board. The Board may accept or modify the recommendation, or reject the recommendation and refer the case to a formal hearing. If you do not agree with the decision of the Board, you have the right to a formal administrative hearing before the Board.

If you fail to appear in person or by counsel at the informal conference, the recommendation of the Agency Subordinate will be presented to a quorum of the Board. The Board may accept or modify the recommendation, or reject the recommendation and refer the case to a formal hearing. The Board's decision regarding the agency subordinate's recommendation is a final order that can only be appealed to circuit court as provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia.

ABSENCE OF RESPONDENT AND RESPONDENT'S COUNSEL:

If you fail to appear at the informal conference, the Agency Subordinate 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 Agency Subordinate will rely in making a decision, to be represented by counsel at this proceeding, to subpoena witnesses and/or documents, and to present relevant evidence on your behalf.

INFORMAL CONFERENCE MATERIALS:

Enclosed is a copy of the documents that will be considered by the Agency Subordinate 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 informal conference.

FILING DEADLINES:

Deadline for filing materials: May 18, 2017. Submit 5 copies of all documents you want the Board to consider to Sylvia Tamayo-Suijk, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233. Exhibits may not be sent by facsimile or e-mail.

REQUEST FOR A CONTINUANCE

Absent exigent circumstances, such as personal or family illness, a request for a continuance after May 18, 2017, will not be considered. If you obtain counsel, you should do so as soon as possible, as a motion for a continuance due to the unavailability of counsel will not be considered unless received by May 18, 2017.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

The Board alleges that:

- 1. At all times relevant hereto, Catrina Rogers Brown, L.P.N., was licensed to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- 2. Ms. Brown violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(6) in that she is unsafe to practice as a practical nurse due to substance abuse and mental illness, as evidenced by the following:
- a. On or about July 25, 2016, she presented to the emergency department at Carilion Roanoke Community Hospital, Roanoke Virginia, with symptoms of depression and suicidal ideation. A drug screen performed at the emergency department was positive for cocaine and cannabis. On or about July 26, 2016, she was voluntarily admitted to the Carilion Clinic Psychiatric Rehab Hospital, Roanoke, Virginia ("CCPRH"), where she was diagnosed with major depressive disorder, recurrent, severe, without psychosis and cocaine use disorder, moderate to severe.
- b. On or about August 10, 2013, she was voluntarily admitted to CCPRH subsequent to suicidal ideations. She was diagnosed with major depressive disorder, recurrent episode, severe, without mention of psychotic behavior and cocaine abuse.
- c. By her own admission, Ms. Brown continues to use cocaine approximately once per week.
- d. From on or about August 13, 2013 through October 2, 2013, and July 27, 2016 through September 26, 2016, Ms. Brown received substance abuse treatment at Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare, Roanoke, Virginia, where she was most recently diagnosed with cocaine use disorder, severe, and major depressive disorder, recurrent. Ms. Brown's treatment provider stated that four out

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of five of Ms. Brown's drug screens were positive for cocaine and that she has concerns regarding Ms.

Brown's continued cocaine use.

Ms. Brown violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(5) and (8) in that during the course of 3.

her employment with Camden Place Health and Rehab Center, Greensboro, North Carolina ("Camden

Place"):

On or about January 20, 2015, she documented the removal and administration a.

of two tablets of Ativan (lorazepam, C-IV) on Patient A's controlled substance count sheet but failed

to document administration of the medication in the patient's medication administration report.

On or about January 19, 2016, during Ms. Brown's 3-11 shift, multiple residents Ъ.

under her care reported not receiving their medications.

4. Ms. Brown violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) of

the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing (currently found at 18 VAC 90-20-230(A)(2)(e)

effective February 24, 2017) in that on her application for employment with Blue Ridge Rehab Center,

Martinsville, Virginia, dated February 2, 2015, she failed to disclose her employment with Camden

Place, where her employment was suspended and subsequently terminated on January 26, 2015, due to

resident complaints of medication not received and medication discrepancies.

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400.2(K), the Board considered whether to disclose or not

disclose Ms. Brown's health records or health services.

See Confidential Attachment I for the name of the resident referenced above.

P Your Jodi Power, R.N., J.D.

Deputy Executive Director

Virginia Board of Nursing

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