

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

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IN RE: RITA P. HYMAN, R.N.
License Number: 0001-195928
Case Number: 174583

VA BD OF NURSING

CONSENT ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Rita P. Hyman, R.N., as evidenced by their signatures hereto, in lieu of proceeding to an informal conference, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Hyman's license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Rita P. Hyman, R.N., was issued License Number 0001-195928 to practice professional nursing on June 9, 2005, which is scheduled to expire on May 31, 2019. Ms. Hyman was also issued License Number R180923 by the State of Georgia to practice professional nursing on June 24, 2010, which is scheduled to expire on January 31, 2018. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. Ms. Hyman violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(f) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing (currently found at 18 VAC 90-19-230(A)(2)(f), effective February 24, 2017) in that during the course of her employment at Woodmont Center, Fredericksburg, Virginia, on June 23, 2016, Ms. Hyman responded inappropriately to a resident who was on the floor. Ms. Hyman instructed the resident to get herself up off the floor and told the resident, "don't do the anxiety game anymore," or words to that effect.

3. Woodmont Center terminated Ms. Hyman's employment.

CONSENT

Rita P. Hyman, R.N., by affixing her signature to this Consent Order, agrees to the following:

1. I have been advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document;
2. I am fully aware that without my consent, no legal action can be taken against me or my license except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, Virginia Code § 2.2-4000 *et seq.*;
3. I acknowledge that I have the following rights, among others: the right to an informal fact-finding conference before the Board; the right to representation by counsel; and the right to cross-examine witnesses against me;
4. I waive my right to an informal conference;
5. I neither admit nor deny the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein but waive my right to contest such Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and any sanction imposed hereunder in any future judicial or administrative proceeding in which the Board is a party;
6. I consent to the entry of the following Order affecting my licensure to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Virginia Board of Nursing hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Rita P. Hyman, R.N., is REPRIMANDED.
2. Within 30 days of the entry of this Order, Rita P. Hyman shall provide the Board with evidence of successful completion of the following NCSBN course: *Ethics of Nursing Practice*. Continuing education obtained through compliance with this term shall not be used toward licensure renewal.
3. Rita P. Hyman, R.N., shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

4. Any violation of the foregoing terms and conditions of this Order or any statute or regulation governing the practice of nursing shall constitute grounds for further disciplinary action.

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

FOR THE BOARD

Jay Douglas
Jay Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: July 17th, 2017

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Rita P. Hyman R.N.
Rita P. Hyman, R.N.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY/CITY OF Stafford, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to me, a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia at large, on this
7 day of July, 2017.

Emily Catherine Stark
Notary Public

My commission expires: 12/31/2020

Registration No.: 7701291

Certified True Copy

By MB [Signature]
Virginia Board of Nursing

