BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

WILLIAM FRANCIS GREENHAWK, R.N.,

License Number:

0001-262405

Case Number:

177840

ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4019 and 54.1-2400(10), a Special Conference Committee of the Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") held an informal conference on June 20, 2017, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that William F. Greenhawk, R.N., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

William Francis Greenhawk, R.N., appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

NOTICE

By letter dated May 19, 2017, the Board sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Mr. Greenhawk notifying him that an informal conference would be held on June 20, 2017. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board. The Notice was also sent to a secondary address.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Committee adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and issues the Order contained herein.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

 William Francis Greenhawk, R.N., was issued License Number 0001-262405 to practice professional nursing on December 14, 2015, which is scheduled to expire on January 31, 2018. At all times relevant to the findings contained herein, said license was current and active. His primary state of residence is Virginia.

- 2. William Francis Greenhawk, R.N., 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 on November 11, 2016, during the course of his employment with Supplemental Healthcare, Park City, Utah, assigned to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, Virginia, he failed to provide assistance to Patient A, following notification at 12:09 p.m. that the patient was in ventricular tachycardia, and then, at 12:15 p.m., that the patient was in asystole. In addition, Mr. Greenhawk told the telemetry technician that he was with Patient A, when, in fact, he was with another patient who was also being monitored by the telemetry unit.
- 3. Mr. Greenhawk stated to the Committee that he was not familiar with working in the telemetry unit or using the Epic computer system. Additionally, he misunderstood the communication from the technician about which patient was involved and believed that the arrhythmias were due to interference being caused by leads being removed.
- 4. Mr. Greenhawk's employment with Supplemental Healthcare was terminated as a result of this incident.

ORDER

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

- 1. William Francis Greenhawk, R.N.,, is REPRIMANDED.
- 2. Within 90 days of entry of this Order, Mr. Greenhawk shall provide evidence of successful completion of NCSBN course: Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills for Competent Nursing

Practice. Continuing education obtained through compliance with this term shall not be used toward licensure renewal.

- 3. Mr. Greenhawk 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, M.S.W., R.N., Q.S.A.C., F.R.

Executive Director

Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED AND MAILED:

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Mr. Greenhawk may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on August 2, 2017, notify Jay Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in writing that he 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. This Order shall become final on August 2, 2017, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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