

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: **MELISSA BOWMAN COLEMAN, R.N., L.P.N.**
License Numbers: **0001-252543**
 0002-078303
Case Numbers: **174456, 174457**

CONSENT ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

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

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Melissa Bowman Coleman, R.N., L.P.N., was issued License Number 0001-252543 to practice professional nursing on July 2, 2014, which is scheduled to expire on November 30, 2017. Ms. Coleman was also issued License Number 0002-078303 to practice practical nursing on June 13, 2008, which is scheduled to expire on November 30, 2017. Ms. Coleman was also issued License Number 93450 by the State of West Virginia to practice professional nursing which is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2017. Her primary state of residence is West Virginia.
2. Ms. Coleman violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) and (f) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing (currently found at 18 VAC 90-19-230(A)(2)(e) and (f), effective February 24, 2017) in that during the course of her employment at Buchanan General Hospital, Grundy, Virginia, in May of 2016, Ms. Coleman charted breathing and heart sounds for Patients A and B when she had not made these assessments.
3. Ms. Coleman's employment with Buchanan General Hospital was terminated.

CONSENT

Melissa Bowman Coleman, R.N., L.P.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 licenses to practice professional nursing and practical 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. Melissa Bowman Coleman, R.N., L.P.N., is REPRIMANDED.
2. Within 45 days of the entry of this Order, Melissa Bowman Coleman, R.N., L.P.N., shall provide the Board with evidence of successful completion of the following NCSBN courses:
 - (a) *Ethics of Nursing Practice*
 - (b) *Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses.*

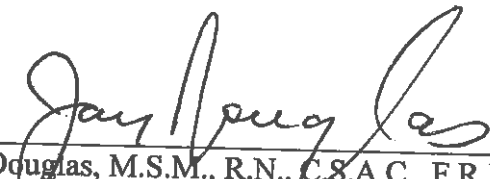
Continuing education obtained through compliance with this term shall not be used toward licensure renewal.

3. Melissa Bowman Coleman, R.N., L.P.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, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: June 30th, 2017

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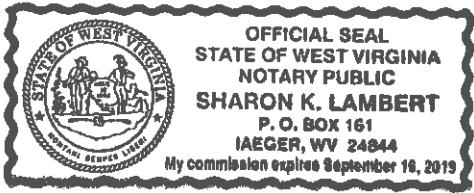
SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Melissa Bowman Coleman R.N., L.P.N.
Melissa Bowman Coleman, R.N., L.P.N.

STATE OF West Virginia

COUNTY/CITY OF McDowell, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to me, a notary public in and for the STATE OF West Virginia at large,
on this 21 day of June, 2017.



Sharon K. Lambert
Notary Public

My commission expires:

9-16-2019

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