

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: **TERESA ADEE ASHWORTH, R.N.**
 a/k/a Teresa Duffy Adee-Ashworth
 a/k/a Teresa Duffy Adee
 License Number: 0001-148626
 Case Number: 173912

CONSENT ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

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

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Teresa Adee Ashworth, R.N., was issued License Number 0001-148626 to practice professional nursing on June 25, 1996, which is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2017. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. Teresa A. Ashworth, R.N., violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(6) in that by her own admission she is unsafe to practice professional nursing. Specifically, Ms. Ashworth received treatment in 2016 for depression and anxiety, along with having permanent physical impairments resulting from a stroke she suffered in 2010 rendering her unable to work as a professional nurse for that past 7 years.
3. Ms. Ashworth acknowledges that she is receiving permanent disability and will never be able to practice as a professional nurse again.
4. Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400.2(K), the Board considered whether to disclose or not disclose Ms. Ashworth's health records or health services.

CONSENT

Teresa Adee Ashworth, 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; and the right to representation by counsel;
4. I waive my right to an informal conference;
5. I admit to the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein and 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. The Board accepts the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Teresa Adee Ashworth's license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION.
2. The license of Teresa Adee Ashworth, R.N., will be recorded as SURRENDERED IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION.
3. This surrender applies to any multistate privilege to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

4. Should Teresa Adee Ashworth, R.N., seek reinstatement of her license in the future, an administrative proceeding shall be convened to consider such application. At such time, the burden shall be on Ms. Ashworth to demonstrate that she is safe and competent to return to the practice of professional nursing. Ms. Ashworth shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and/or renewal of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.


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 20th, 2017

Certified True Copy
By 

Virginia Board of Nursing

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Teresa Adee Ashworth RN,
Teresa Adee Ashworth, R.N.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY/CITY OF Fairfax / Alexandria, TO WIT:

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

Jessica Yamillex Martinez
Notary Public

My commission expires: October 31, 2020

Registration No.: # 7530520

JESSICA YAMILEX MARTINEZ
NOTARY PUBLIC
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCT. 31, 2020
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By M. Bayliss
Virginia Board of Nursing