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June 9, 2017

Blossom Alyssa Ignacio, R.N.
2156 Fort Belvoir Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

RE: License Number: 0001-231769
Case Number: 180982

DUPLICATE COPY
VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL
DATE 6/9/17

Dear Ms. Ignacio:

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, you are hereby given notice that your license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been mandatorily suspended by the enclosed Order entered June 8, 2017. You are hereby advised that you may not practice professional nursing or hold yourself out as a licensed professional nurse unless and until the Board of Nursing has notified you in writing that your license has been reinstated. Please return your license to Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director of the Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board"), at the above address, immediately upon receipt of this letter.

You may apply to the Board for reinstatement of your license, and you shall be entitled to a formal administrative hearing not later than the next regular meeting of the Board after the expiration of 60 days from the Board's receipt of your reinstatement application. The reinstatement of your license shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the Board present at the hearing. The reinstatement application can be found at www.dhp.virginia.gov/Nursing.

If you have any questions about this matter, you can contact me at (804) 367-4474 or anne.joseph@dhp.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

Anne Joseph, Deputy Director
Administrative Proceedings Division

cc: Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, Board of Nursing
Enclosures

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

IN RE: BLOSSOM ALYSSA IGNACIO, R.N.
License Number: 0001-231769
Case Number: 180982

ORDER OF MANDATORY SUSPENSION


In accordance with Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Virginia Department of Health Professions, received and acted upon evidence that the California Board of Registered Nursing revoked the license of Blossom Alyssa Ignacio, R.N., to practice as a registered nurse in the State of California. A certified copy of the Default Decision and Order of the California Board of Registered Nursing is attached hereto as Commonwealth's Exhibit 1.

WHEREUPON, by the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, it is hereby ORDERED that the license of Blossom Alyssa Ignacio, R.N., to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby SUSPENDED.

Upon entry of this Order, the license of Blossom Alyssa Ignacio, R.N., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current and valid. Should Blossom Alyssa Ignacio, R.N., seek reinstatement of her license pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

This Order shall be applicable to Ms. Ignacio's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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 or copying on request.



David E. Brown, D.C., Director
Virginia Department of Health Professions

ENTERED:



CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS

I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Department of Health Professions, hereby certify that the attached Default Decision and Order entered May 1, 2017, regarding Blossom Alyssa Ignacio, R.N., is a true copy of the records received from the California Board of Registered Nursing.



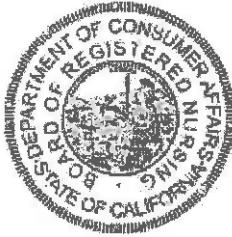
David E. Brown, D.C.

Date: 6/8/17

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the documents on file in our office.

BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING

Joseph L. Morris PhD, MSN, RN
Executive Officer



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**BEFORE THE
BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Accusation Against.
BLOSSOM ALYSSA RICO IGNACIO
2156 Fort Belvoir Dr.
Virginia Beach, VA 23464
Registered Nurse License No. 95107241
RESPONDENT

Case No. 2017-603
DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER
[Gov. Code, §11520]

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about February 22, 2017, Complainant Joseph L. Morris, PhD, MSN, RN, in his official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs, filed Accusation No. 2017-603 against Blossom Alyssa Rico Ignacio (Respondent) before the Board of Registered Nursing. (Accusation attached as Exhibit A.)

2. On or about September 28, 2016, the Board of Registered Nursing (Board) issued Registered Nurse License No. 95107241 to Respondent. The Registered Nurse License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on November 30, 2017, unless renewed.

3. On or about February 22, 2017, Respondent was served by Certified and First Class Mail copies of the Accusation No. 2017-603, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense,

1 Request for Discovery, and Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7 to
2 Respondent's address of record which, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 136
3 and Title 16, California Code of Regulation, section 1409.1, is required to be reported and
4 maintained with the Board, was and is:

5 2156 Fort Belvoir Dr.
6 Virginia Beach, VA 23464.

7 On or about February 22, 2017, Respondent was also served by Certified and First Class
8 Mail copies of the Accusation No. 2017-603, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense,
9 Request for Discovery, and Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7 to
10 Respondent's alternate address retrieved from LexisNexis as follows:

11 5704 Keene Mill Run CT M
12 Virginia Beach, VA 23464.

13 4. Service of the Accusation was effective as a matter of law under the provisions of
14 Government Code section 11505, subdivision (c) and/or Business & Professions Code section
15 124.

16 5. On or about March 10, 2017, the Board of Registered Nursing received the Domestic
17 Return Receipts signed by an individual named Bryann Alexandros on March 1, 2017,
18 acknowledging receipt of the Accusation served by Certified Mail to Respondent's address of
19 record and alternate address.

20 6. Government Code section 11506 states, in pertinent part:

21 (c) The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent files a
22 notice of defense, and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all parts of the Accusation
23 not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense shall constitute a waiver of respondent's
24 right to a hearing, but the agency in its discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing.

25 7. Respondent failed to file a Notice of Defense within 15 days after service of the
26 Accusation upon her, and therefore waived her right to a hearing on the merits of Accusation No.
27 2017-603.

28 8. California Government Code section 11520 states, in pertinent part:

1 (a) If the respondent either fails to file a notice of defense or to appear at the hearing, the
2 agency may take action based upon the respondent's express admissions or upon other evidence
3 and affidavits may be used as evidence without any notice to respondent.

4 9. Pursuant to its authority under Government Code section 11520, the Board after
5 having reviewed the proofs of service dated February 22, 2017, signed by Tram Hoang, finds
6 Respondent is in default. The Board will take action without further hearing and, based on
7 Accusation No. 2017-603 and the documents contained in Default Decision Investigatory
8 Evidence Packet in this matter which includes:

- 9 Exhibit 1: Pleadings offered for jurisdictional purposes; Accusation Case No. 2017-
10 603, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense (two blank copies),
11 Request for Discovery and Discovery Statutes (Government Code sections
12 11507.5, 11507.6 and 11507.7), proofs of service and mail receipts;
13 Exhibit 2: License History Certification for Blossom Alyssa Rico Ignacio, Registered
14 Nurse License No. 95107241;
15 Exhibit 3: Out of State Discipline (Virginia State Board of Nursing);
16 Exhibit 4: Proof of alternate address retrieved from LexisNexis.

17 The Board finds that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 2017-603 are separately and
18 severally true and correct by clear and convincing evidence.

19 DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

20 1. Based on the foregoing findings of fact, Respondent Blossom Alyssa Rico Ignacio
21 has subjected her following license(s) to discipline:

22 a. Registered Nurse License No. 95107241

23 2. The agency has jurisdiction to adjudicate this case by default.

24 3. The Board of Registered Nursing is authorized to revoke Respondent's licensc(s)
25 based upon the following violations alleged in the Accusation, which are supported by the
26 evidence contained in the Default Decision Investigatory Evidence Packet in this case.

27 a. Violation of Business and Professions Code section 2761(a)(4) - Disciplinary
28 action by another State Board of Nursing.

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ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED that Registered Nurse License No. 95107241, heretofore issued to Respondent Blossom Alyssa Rico Ignacio, is revoked.

Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The agency in its discretion may vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute.

This Decision shall become effective on May 31, 2017.

It is so ORDERED May 01, 2017.

Michael D. Jackson

Board of Registered Nursing
Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California

Attachment:

Exhibit A: Accusation No. 2017-603

Exhibit A

Accusation No. 2017-603

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9 **BEFORE THE**
10 **BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING**
11 **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

12 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:
13 **BLOSSOM ALYSSA RICO IGNACIO**
2156 Fort Belvoir Dr.
14 Virginia Beach, VA 23464
15 Registered Nurse License No. 95107241
16 Respondent.

Case No. 2017-603
ACCUSATION

18 Complainant alleges:

19 **PARTIES**

- 20 1. Joseph L. Morris, PhD, MSN, RN (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in
21 his official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing (Board),
22 Department of Consumer Affairs.
23 2. On September 28, 2016, the Board issued Registered Nurse License Number
24 95107241 to Blossom Alyssa Rico Ignacio (Respondent). The Registered Nurse License was in
25 full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein, and will expire on
26 November 30, 2017, unless renewed.

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1 **JURISDICTION**

2 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board under the authority of the following
3 laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise
4 indicated.

5 4. Code section 2750 provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline any
6 licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason provided
7 in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.

8 5. Code section 2764 provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall
9 not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the
10 licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license.

11 **STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

12 6. Code section 2761 states:

13 The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed
14 nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

15 (a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the
16 following:

17 (4) Denial of licensure, revocation, suspension, restriction, or any
18 other disciplinary action against a health care professional license or certificate by
19 another state or territory of the United States, by any other government agency, or
20 by another California health care professional licensing board. A certified copy of
the decision or judgment shall be conclusive evidence of that action.

21 **COST RECOVERY**

22 7. Code section 125.3 provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the
23 administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations
24 of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and
25 enforcement of the case, with failure of the licentiate to comply subjecting the license to not
26 being renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and enforcement costs
27 may be included in a stipulated settlement.

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1 CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

2 (Virginia - Out of State Discipline)

3 8. Respondent has subjected her Registered Nurse License to disciplinary action
4 under Code section 2761, subdivision (a)(4), in that her license to practice as a professional nurse
5 in Virginia was disciplined by the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Health
6 Professions, Board of Nursing (Virginia Board). The circumstances are as follows:

7 9. On November 10, 2016, in Case Numbers: 170641 and 174137, entitled, *In Re:*
8 *Blossom Alyssa Ignacio, R.N., License Number: 0001-231769*, the Virginia Board entered an
9 Amended Consent Order reprimanding Respondent. Respondent was ordered to comply with all
10 the terms and conditions of her Participation Contract with the Virginia Health Practitioners'
11 Monitoring Program (HPMP) for the period specified in the contract. Respondent's reprimand
12 encumbered her license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia and
13 her multistate privilege to practice professional nursing.

14 10. The facts that led to the discipline are that while employed practicing professional
15 nursing at Sentara Princess Anne Hospital in Virginia Beach, Virginia, on October 12, 16, and
16 18, 2015, and four times on October 26, 2015, Respondent failed to administer narcotic
17 medications as ordered, diverted the medications for her personal and unauthorized use, and
18 falsely documented administration of the medications, in violation of Code of Virginia (CV)
19 section 54.1-3007, subdivisions (2), (5), (6), and (8), and title 18 of the Virginia Administrative
20 Code (VAC) section 90-20-300 (A)(2), subdivisions (c) and (e).

21 11. From April 30, 2015, to October 28, 2015, Respondent received 13 prescriptions
22 for hydromorphone and oxycodone from seven different prescribers at three practices. On June
23 8, 2015, Respondent obtained two prescriptions for oxycodone from prescribers at two different
24 practices and had them filled at two different pharmacies. On October 30, 2015, Respondent's
25 primary care provider ceased prescribing hydromorphone due to concerns of abuse.
26 Respondent's conduct constituted violation of CV section 54.1-3007, subdivision (2), and title 18
27 of the VAC section 90-20-300, subdivision (A)(2)(e). On November 2, 2015, Respondent's
28 employment at Sentara Princess Anne Hospital was terminated.

1 12. On November 4, 2015, on her practice history form for Chesapeake Regional
2 Medical Center in Chesapeake, Virginia, Respondent falsely answered "no" to the question
3 regarding involuntary termination, failing to disclose her termination detailed in paragraph 11,
4 above, and incorporated herein by this reference. Respondent's conduct constituted violation of
5 CV section 54.1-3007, subdivision (2), and title 18 of the VAC section 90-20-300, subdivision
6 (A)(2)(e).

7 13. Between November 9, 2015, and May 27, 2016, while employed practicing
8 professional nursing at Chesapeake Regional Medical Center, Respondent diverted narcotics for
9 her personal and unauthorized use. Respondent's employment was terminated on June 1, 2016.
10 Respondent's conduct constituted violation of CV section 54.1-3007, subdivisions (2), (5), (6),
11 and (8), and title 18 of the VAC section 90-20-300 (A)(2), subdivisions (c) and (e).

12 14. On June 20, 2016, Respondent entered the contract with HPMP, wherein she
13 acknowledged opioid abuse. On August 1, 2016, Respondent entered a Recovery Monitoring
14 Contract. On October 21, 2016, HPMP reported that Respondent was in compliance with her
15 contract. On November 7, 2016, an informal conference was held and the Virginia Board
16 adopted a Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

17 **PRAYER**

18 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein
19 alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:

20 1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License Number 95107241, issued to
21 Blossom Alyssa Rico Ignacio;

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2. Ordering Blossom Alyssa Rico Ignacio to pay the Board of Registered Nursing the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3; and,

3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: February 22, 2017


JOSEPH E. MORRIS, PhD, MSN, RN
Executive Officer
Board of Registered Nursing
Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California
Complainant

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