

**BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE: ISA PEARLINE JOSEPH SMITH, C.N.A.**  
**CertificateNumber: 1401-051261**  
**Case Number: 169800**

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**ORDER**

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**JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11), a panel of the Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") held a formal administrative hearing on May 17, 2017, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Isa P. Smith, C.N.A., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of nurse aides in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Isa Pearline Joseph Smith, C.N.A., appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

**NOTICE**

By letter dated April 26, 2017, the Board sent a Notice of Formal Hearing ("Notice") to Ms. Smith notifying her that a formal administrative hearing would be held on May 17, 2017. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board.

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

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. On April 8, 1995, the Board issued Certificate Number 1401-051261 to Isa Pearline Joseph Smith, C.N.A. to practice Nurse Aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Said certificate is scheduled to expire on April 30, 2018. At all times relevant hereto, said certificate was in full force and effect.

2. During the course of her employment with Hiram Davis Medical Center, Petersburg, Virginia, on August 25, 2015, Ms. Smith failed to get assistance when attempting to move Patient A when she was assigned to provide one-to-one monitoring of Patient A. Further, Ms. Smith left Patient A unattended when she went to the doorway of Patient A's room rather than staying within one arm's length of Patient A.

3. Ms. Smith testified that she was aware of the facility's policy related to one-to-one monitoring and that she failed to follow it. She also testified she was aware of the facility's policy related to repositioning patients and that she also failed to follow it.

4. Evidence revealed that Ms. Smith has been a certified nurse aide for twenty years, and the performance reviews of Ms. Smith contained in the evidence were positive.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(5).

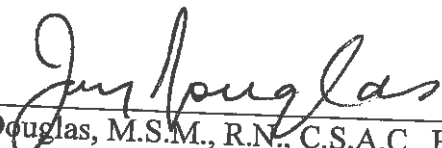
#### **ORDER**

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

1. Isa Pearline Joseph Smith, C.N.A., is REPRIMANDED.
2. Isa Pearline Joseph Smith, C.N.A., shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of nurse aides 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 and copying upon request.

FOR THE BOARD

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

ENTERED AND MAILED ON:

June 2, 2017

**NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL**

As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, you have 30 days from the date you are served with this Order in which to appeal this decision by filing a Notice of Appeal with 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. The service date shall be defined as the date you actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to you, whichever occurred first. In the event this decision is served upon you by mail, three days are added to that period.

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