

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: LISA MICHELLE TURNER, R.N.
License Number: 0001-185247
Case Number: 172294

RATIFICATION AND ORDER

On May 17, 2017, a panel of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Lisa Michelle Turner, R.N., was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel.


In consideration whereof, the Board of Nursing ACCEPTS the attached Recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Agency Subordinate and ADOPTS the Recommended Order in its entirety.

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 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.


Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400.2(K), the Board considered whether to disclose or not disclose Ms. Turner's health records or health services.

Since Ms. Turner failed to appear at the informal conference, this Order shall be considered final. Ms. Turner has the right to appeal this Order directly to the appropriate Virginia circuit court. As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, Ms. Turner has thirty days from the date of service (the date she actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to her, whichever occurred first) within which to appeal this decision by filing a Notice of Appeal with Jay Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE, Executive Director, Board of Board, at Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Richmond, Virginia 23233. In the event that this decision is served by mail, three days are added to that period.

FOR THE BOARD


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

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Virginia Board Of Nursing

ENTERED AND MAILED ON:

May 26, 2017

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REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF AGENCY SUBORDINATE

Jurisdiction and Procedural History

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4019 and 54.1-2400(10), Jane Elliott, R.N., Ph.D., serving as Agency Subordinate of the Virginia Board of Nursing (“Board”), held an informal conference on February 16, 2017 in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Lisa Michelle Turner, R.N., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Ms. Turner did not appear at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Agency Subordinate makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and recommends that the Board adopt the following Order.

Notice

By letter dated January 23, 2017, the Board sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Ms. Turner notifying her that an informal conference would be held on February 16, 2017. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board. The certified mail receipt for the Notice sent by certified mail was signed and returned to the Board. The Notice sent by first class mail was not returned to the Board office. Accordingly, the Agency Subordinate concluded that adequate notice was provided to Ms. Turner and the informal conference proceeded in her absence.

Recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

1. Lisa Michelle Turner, R.N., was issued License Number 0001-185247 to practice professional nursing on June 10, 2003, which expired on April 6, 2016. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. By Order of the Board entered December 15, 2015 (“Board’s Order”), the Board took no action on Ms. Turner’s professional nursing license contingent upon her entry into the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program (“HPMP”) within 60 days of the entry of the Order, and her continued compliance with the HPMP. This Order was based on findings that Ms. Turner had been diagnosed with depression with psychotic features and ongoing mental health issue requiring treatment.
3. Ms. Turner violated Term Number 1 of the Board’s Order, which required her to enroll into the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program within 60 days of the entry of the Order, in that, to date, she has not enrolled.
4. In her interview with the investigator for the Department of Health Professions, Ms. Turner explained that, at the time of the October 2015 informal conference, she was living in North Carolina. Following the informal conference, she contacted staff with the Department of Health Professions, who advised her to inquire with the North Carolina Board of Nursing about entering a program similar to the HPMP. Ms. Turner said there was no equivalent program in North Carolina for mental health monitoring. Ms. Turner said that staff with the Department of Health Professions then advised her that she could also pursue licensure with the North Carolina Board of Nursing.
5. Ms. Turner indicated that she is living in North Carolina and her last nursing employment was in 2014.

6. On May 12, 2016, Ms. Turner's petition for licensure as a registered nurse by endorsement in North Carolina was denied by the North Carolina Board of Nursing. However, Ms. Turner was ordered to obtain a fitness for duty evaluation and reappear before the Licensure Review Panel.

7. Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400.2(K), the Board considered whether to disclose or not disclose Ms. Turner's health records or health services.

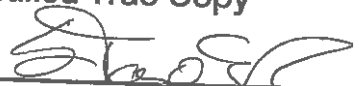
Recommended Order

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Agency Subordinate recommends that the Board issue an Order as follows:

1. Lisa Michelle Turner, R.N., is REPRIMANDED.
2. The right of Lisa Michelle Turner, R.N., to renew her license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.
3. The license of Lisa Michelle Turner, R.N., will be recorded as SUSPENDED.
4. This suspension applies to any multistate privilege to practice professional nursing.
5. Should Lisa Michelle Turner, R.N., seek reinstatement of her license, an administrative proceeding shall be convened to consider such application. At such time, the burden shall be on Ms. Turner to demonstrate that she is safe and competent to return to the practice of professional nursing. Ms. Turner 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.

Reviewed and approved on April 13, 2017
By Jane Elliott, R.N., Ph.D.
Agency Subordinate

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