

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

**IN RE: PAMELA LEE MCZEAL ARRINGTON, L.P.N.
A.K.A. PAMELA JOHNSON**
License Number: 0002-066848
Issue Date: August 11, 2003
Expiration Date: November 30, 2018
Case Number: 177031

**NOTICE OF FORMAL ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING
AND STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS**

You are hereby notified that a Formal Hearing has been scheduled before the Board of Nursing ("Board") regarding your license to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

TYPE OF PROCEEDING:	This is a formal administrative hearing before a panel of the Board.
DATE AND TIME:	May 17, 2017 1:00 P.M.
PLACE:	Virginia Department of Health Professions Perimeter Center - 9960 Mayland Drive 2 nd Floor - Virginia Conference Center Henrico, Virginia 23233

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION:

1. This formal hearing is being held pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11). This proceeding will be convened as a public meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3700.

2. At the conclusion of the proceeding, the Board is authorized to take any of the following actions:
 - Exonerate you;
 - Reprimand you;
 - Require you to pay a monetary penalty;
 - Place you on probation and/or under terms and conditions;
 - Suspend your license;
 - Revoke your license.

ABSENCE OF RESPONDENT AND RESPONDENT'S COUNSEL:

If you fail to appear at the formal hearing, the Board may proceed to hear this matter in your absence and may take any of the actions outlined above.

RESPONDENT'S LEGAL RIGHTS:

You have the right to the information on which the Board will rely in making its decision, to be represented by counsel at this proceeding, to subpoena witnesses and/or documents, and to present relevant evidence on your behalf.

COMMONWEALTH'S EXHIBITS:

Enclosed is a copy of the documents that will be distributed to the members of the Board and will be considered by the Board when discussing any allegations with you and when deliberating on your case. **These documents are enclosed only with the notice sent by certified mail, which you may be required to claim at the post office. Please bring these documents with you to the formal hearing.**

FILING DEADLINES:

1. **Deadline for filing exhibits: May 4, 2017.** Submit 15 copies of all documents you want the Board to consider to Darlene Graham, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233. Exhibits may not be sent by facsimile or e-mail. Please note that any documentation or evidence that you previously submitted for an informal conference that is not already part of the Commonwealth's evidence must be resubmitted as an exhibit if you want the Board to consider it at the hearing.

The Commonwealth must file any objections to your submissions in writing, addressed to Darlene Graham at the Board office, no later than **May 10, 2017**. If no objections have been received by **May 10, 2017**, the evidence will be distributed to the Board members for their review, and will be considered by the Board as evidence when it deliberates upon your case. If the Commonwealth raises objections, you have until **May 12, 2017**, to file your response to the objections, in writing and addressed to Darlene Graham at the Board office. The Chair of the proceeding will rule on the motion.

2. **Deadline for filing motions: May 4, 2017**, addressed to Darlene Graham at the above address.

3. **Deadline for filing any objections to the Commonwealth's exhibits, in writing, to Darlene Graham at the above address: May 4, 2017.** If you do not file objections by this date, the exhibits will be distributed to the Board members for their review prior to your hearing, and will be considered by the Board as evidence when it deliberates on your case. If you do file objections, the Commonwealth has until **May 4, 2017** to file a response to the objections, in writing, and addressed to Darlene Graham at the Board office. The Chair of the proceeding will rule on the motion. **NOTE: failure to object to the distribution of the Commonwealth's exhibits prior to the proceeding will not affect your right to contest any information contained in those exhibits at the proceeding.**

REQUEST FOR A CONTINUANCE:

Absent exigent circumstances, such as personal or family illness, a request for a continuance after **May 4, 2017** will not be considered. If you obtain counsel, you should do so as soon as possible, as a motion for a continuance due to the unavailability of counsel will not be considered unless received by **May 4, 2017**.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

The Board alleges that:

1. At all times relevant hereto, Pamela Lee McZeal Arrington, L.P.N., was licensed to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

2. Ms. Arrington violated Term Number 2(c) of the Order of the Board entered June 29, 2016 (“Board’s Order”), which required her to enroll in and complete a Board-approved refresher course or Board-approved extensive orientation course within 180 days from the date the Board’s Order was entered or by December 26, 2016, in that she failed to enroll in and complete a Board-approved course.

3. Ms. Arrington violated Term Number 2(d) of the Board’s Order, which required her to provide evidence within 60 days of the entry of the Board’s Order that she completed the following National Council of State Boards of Nursing online courses: (1) *Disciplinary Actions: What Every Nurse Should Know*; (2) *Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care*; (3) *Medication Errors: Detection and Prevention*; and (4) *Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses*, in that she failed to complete the required courses.

4. Ms. Arrington violated Term Numbers 2(f) and 2(j) of the Board’s Order, which required her to submit quarterly self-reports no later than 60 days from the date the Board’s Order was entered and any subsequent reports by the last days of the months of March, June, September and December, in that she failed to timely submit self-reports due August 28, 2016, and September 30, 2016. The self-report due on August 28, 2016 was received by the Board on August 29, 2016 and the self-report due on September 30, 2016 was received by the Board on October 27, 2016.



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Executive Director
Virginia Board of Nursing

April 21ST, 2017
Date