

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: ELLYN W. ALGARIN, R.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT
License No.: 0001-121823

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), Ellyn W. Algarin, who, prior to its suspension by the Board of Nursing on July 17, 2012, held License No. 0001-121823 to practice professional nursing in Virginia, is hereby given notice that a formal administrative hearing will be held in the presence of a panel of the Board of Nursing. The hearing will be held on March 25, 2015, at 1:00 p.m., at the offices of the Department of Health Professions, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia 23233, at which time Ms. Algarin will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

At the hearing, Ms. Algarin has the following rights, among others: the right to representation by counsel; the right to have witnesses subpoenaed and to present witnesses on her behalf; the right to present documentary evidence; and the right to cross-examine adverse witnesses. If Ms. Algarin desires any witnesses to appear on her behalf, she must notify the Director of Administrative Proceedings, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in accordance with the Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive and act upon Ms. Algarin’s application for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing in Virginia and to inquire into evidence that Ms. Algarin may have violated certain laws governing nursing practice in Virginia, as more fully set forth in the Statement of Particulars below.

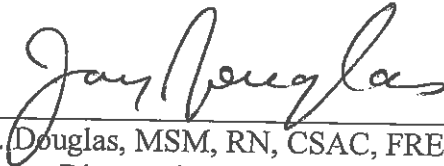
The burden rests upon Ms. Algarin, as the applicant, to demonstrate that she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice of nursing in Virginia.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

The Board alleges that Ellyn W. Algarin may have violated § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code in that she is unsafe to practice professional nursing due to substance abuse, as evidenced by the following:

1. On or about September 26, 2013, Ms. Algarin reported that she had relapsed and begun consuming Suboxone (buprenorphine/naloxone, Schedule III) that she had previously “hoarded.”
2. On or about August 11, 2014, Ms. Algarin entered a Participation Contract with the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program, wherein she acknowledged opioid and alcohol abuse.

FOR THE BOARD



Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE
Executive Director for the
Board of Nursing

ENTERED: _____

March 5th, 2015