

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: APRIL DENISE STANDFIELD, L.P.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT
LicenseNumber: 0002-069238
Case Number: 177161

ORDER

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 March 20, 2017, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon April Standfield’s application for reinstatement of her license to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

April Denise Standfield, L.P.N., appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

NOTICE

By letter dated January 17, 2017, the Board sent a Notice of Formal Hearing (“Notice”) to Ms. Standfield notifying her that a formal administrative hearing would be held on January 25, 2017. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board. On January 19, 2017, Ms. Standfield requested a continuance, which was granted. By letter dated March 1, 2017, the Board sent an Amended Notice of Formal Hearing (“Amended Notice”) to Ms. Standfield notifying her that a formal administrative hearing would be held on March 20, 2017. The Amended 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. April Denise Standfield was issued License No. 0002-069238 to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia on July 13, 2004. Said license was mandatorily suspended by Order of the Director of the Department of Health Professions on June 1, 2010. Ms. Standfield's primary state of residence is Maryland.
2. Ms. Standfield submitted an application for reinstatement of her license to practice practical nursing on November 1, 2016.
3. By Order entered November 17, 2009, the Maryland Board of Nursing revoked Ms. Standfield's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maryland based on findings of Ms. Standfield's substance abuse history and criminal history. This revocation formed the basis for the mandatory suspension of her Virginia license to practice practical nursing by the Virginia Department of Health Professions.
4. Ms. Standfield has an admitted history of substance abuse including abusing crack cocaine in 2006-2007 and abusing alcohol and marijuana since she was a teenager.
5. From March 16, 2015 to April 7, 2016, Ms. Standfield received outpatient substance abuse treatment and therapy from Rappahannock Area Community Services Board, Fredericksburg, Virginia. Ms. Standfield previously received substance abuse treatment at the Community Services Board in early 2011.
6. Ms. Standfield reported a sobriety date of May 22, 2011, and that she attends Alcoholics Anonymous meetings periodically.
7. In her assessment for treatment with Rappahannock Area Community Services Board dated March 16, 2015, the assessor had some concerns about Ms. Standfield's mental health. However, in the report to the Maryland Board of Nursing dated April 29, 2016, the licensed clinical social

worker indicated that she had no concerns related to Ms. Standfield's ability to practice as a health care professional.

8. On September 12, 2008, and on November 17, 2012, Ms. Standfield reported to the emergency department at Mary Washington Hospital, Stafford, Virginia and at the emergency department at Mary Washington Hospital, Fredericksburg, Virginia, respectively, because she believed that she had been poisoned and/or drugged by other individuals. However, the emergency department records contain no findings or evidence of such alleged poisoning or drugging.

9. By Order entered October 6, 2016, the Maryland Board of Nursing reinstated Ms. Standfield's license to inactive status for a period of no longer than one year for the purpose of completing a Board-approved practical nursing refresher course. If Ms. Standfield fails to submit proof of successful completion, her license will revert back to revoked status.

10. Ms. Standfield submitted a transcript verifying that she had enrolled in a refresher course and had completed 100 hours. She told the Board that she has clinical hours remaining to complete, and is close to satisfying the Maryland Board's Order dated October 6, 2016.

11. Ms. Standfield testified that she last practiced as a practical nurse in 2010.

12. Ms. Standfield testified that she continues to attend Alcoholics Anonymous, has a sponsor, and was discharged from Rappahannock Area Community Services Board in 2016 because she achieved all of her treatment goals.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(7).
2. Findings of Fact Nos. 4, 5, and 8 constitute a violation of Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(6).

ORDER

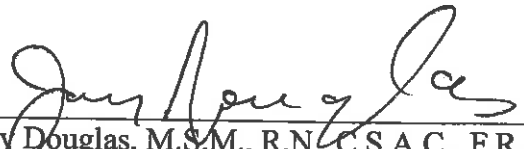
WHEREFORE, the Virginia Board of Nursing, by affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of the Board at the proceeding, effective upon entry of this Order, ORDERS that the license issued to April Denise Standfield, L.P.N., to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is REINSTATED and she shall be issued a license that is valid in Virginia only, contingent upon verification of successful completion of all terms and conditions of the Order entered October 6, 2016, by the Maryland Board of Nursing.

April Denise Standfield, L.P.N., shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Any violation of the foregoing terms and conditions of this Order or any statute or regulation governing the practice of practical nursing shall constitute grounds for further disciplinary action.

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



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

ENTERED AND MAILED ON:

April 5th 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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