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June 1, 2010

April Denise Standfield
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RE: License No.: 0002-069238

VA BD OF NURSING

CERTIFIED MAIL

**DUPLICATE COPY
VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL**

DATE 6/11/10

Dear Ms. Standfield:

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), you are hereby given notice that your license to practice nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been mandatorily suspended by the enclosed Order entered June 1, 2010. You are hereby advised that, pursuant to Section 54.1-2409.1 of the Code, any person who practices a profession or occupation after having their license or certificate to do so suspended shall be guilty of a felony. Please return your license to Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director of the Board of Nursing, at the above address, immediately upon receipt of this letter.

Section 54.1-2409 of the Code further provides that you may apply to the Board of Nursing ("Board") for reinstatement of your license, and shall be entitled to a hearing not later than the next regular meeting of the Board after the expiration of sixty days from the receipt of such reinstatement application. You have the following rights, among others: to be represented by legal counsel, to have witnesses subpoenaed on your behalf, to present documentary evidence and to cross-examine adverse witnesses. The reinstatement of your license shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members present of the Board of Nursing.

Should you wish to petition the Board of Nursing for reinstatement of your license, contact Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, at the above address or (804) 367-4599.

Sincerely,

Dianne L. Reynolds-Cane, M.D., Director
Department of Health Professions

Enclosures
Case # 132161

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

IN RE: APRIL DENISE STANDFIELD, L.P.N.
License No.: 0002-069238

ORDER

In accordance with Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), I, Dianne L. Reynolds-Cane, M.D., Director of the Virginia Department of Health Professions, received and acted upon evidence that the license of April Denise Standfield, L.P.N., to practice nursing in the State of Maryland was revoked by a Final Order of Revocation of License to Practice Practical Nursing entered November 17, 2009. A certified copy of the Final Order of Revocation of License to Practice Practical Nursing is attached to this Order and is marked as Commonwealth's Exhibit No. 1.

WHEREFORE, by the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, it is hereby ORDERED that the license of April Denise Standfield, L.P.N., to practice nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia be, and hereby is, SUSPENDED.

Upon entry of this Order, the license of April Denise Standfield, L.P.N., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current. Should Ms. Standfield seek reinstatement of her license pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of her license prior to issuance of her license to resume practice.

Pursuant to Sections 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2 of the Code, 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.



Dianne L. Reynolds-Cane, M.D., Director
Department of Health Professions

ENTERED: 6-1-10



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CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS

I, Dianne L. Reynolds-Cane, M.D., Director of the Department of Health Professions, hereby certify that the attached Final Order of Revocation of License to Practice Practical Nursing entered November 17, 2009, regarding April Denise Standfield, L.P.N., is a true copy of the records received from the State of Maryland Board of Nursing.

D Reynolds Cane MD

Date: 6-1-10

Dianne L. Reynolds-Cane, M.D.

IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE MARYLAND
APRIL D. STANDFIELD	*	BOARD OF NURSING
License # LP34895	*	OAG # 06- BP- 355
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FINAL ORDER OF REVOCATION OF LICENSE TO PRACTICE PRACTICAL NURSING

BACKGROUND

On August 6, 2009, the Maryland Board of Nursing (“the Board”) issued a Charge Letter entitled “Commission of a Prohibited Act Under the Nurse Practice Act Multi-State Licensing Privilege” (hereinafter, “Charges”) to April D. Standfield (“Respondent”), License Number LP34895. The Charges were sent by certified and regular mail to the last known address registered by Respondent with the Board. The Charges informed Respondent that, pursuant to the Nurse Practice Act (“the Act”), Md. Health Occupations Code Ann. (“Health Occ.”) § 8-317 (2005 & Supp. 2008), she was entitled to request an evidentiary hearing in writing, prior to any disciplinary action by the Board. Respondent was also informed she had thirty (30) days from the date of the Charge Letter to request an evidentiary hearing. Additionally, Respondent was placed on notice that if a request for an evidentiary hearing was not submitted within the thirty (30) days, the Board would issue a Default Order, pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act (“APA”), Md. State Govt. Code Ann. (“State Govt.”) § 10-210 (4) (2004 & Supp. 2008). On August 17, 2009, the Board received the return receipt for the certified mail with Respondent’s signature. Respondent did not date the receipt. The copy of the Charge



Letter that was sent to Respondent by regular mail was not returned to the Board. Respondent did not submit a request for a hearing.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. At all times relevant to the charges herein, Respondent was licensed to practice as a licensed practical nurse ("L.P.N.") in the State of Maryland. Respondent's Maryland LPN license (LP34895) is non-renewed, having expired on April 28, 2008.

2. Respondent has an LPN License¹ in the Commonwealth of Virginia, which is currently active and will expire on April 30, 2010.

3. On or about April 26, 2001, the Maryland Board received a complaint from Beverly Enterprises, a staffing agency in Arizona, regarding the results of a pre-employment urine toxicology screen. Respondent had been offered employment at a Beverly Enterprises nursing facility in Washington, D. C. contingent upon passing the test. According to the complaint, Respondent's urine tested positive for Cannabinoids (marijuana) on March 19, 2001. The complaint alleged that when Respondent was informed about the test result, Respondent stated that she was taking Marinol.² Respondent was asked to show the prescription bottle for Marinol to the Director of

¹ Under the Multi-State Licensure Compact, Nurse Practice Act § 8-7A-01, the Commonwealth of Virginia is a compact state and your home state. Maryland is a party state which allows the privilege to practice in the State of Maryland without a Maryland license.

² Marinol is a derivative of marijuana used to control nausea and vomiting.

Nursing for verification, but did not do so. Therefore, Beverly Enterprises rescinded the offer of employment.

4. Thereafter, on May 31, September 19, and October 29, 2001, the Board sent Respondent correspondence and offered Respondent an opportunity to participate in the Board's Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation Program. Respondent failed to meet with the Rehabilitation Committee or to respond to any of the letters.

5. On or about June 12, 2006, when Respondent filed her Maryland Application for Renewal of LPN License, Respondent provided the Board with a letter of explanation in regard to her conviction of a misdemeanor. Respondent stated that she was charged with sexual solicitation and failure to appear in court. Respondent explained that she was with a female friend at party at the Marriott Hotel in Washington, D.C. and that her friend was behaving inappropriately with an undercover officer and that both she and her friend were arrested. Respondent further explained that she failed to appear because the arresting officer used her friend's home address for both of them. Respondent stated that she is no longer on probation.

6. In or about July 2006, the Board obtained certified copies of the documents related to Respondent's convictions. Documents from the Superior Court of the District of Columbia show that on April 20, 2006, Respondent pled guilty to the

offense of "inviting for purposes of prostitution." Respondent was sentenced to time already served in jail, with the sentence to run consecutive to any other sentence. On April 20, 2006, Respondent also pled guilty to a violation of the Bail Reform Act, "willfully failed to appear before the Court as required." Respondent was sentenced to 90 days in jail and given one year supervised probation with the special condition of obtaining treatment for drug dependency or abuse as deemed appropriate by her probation officer.

7. The Board decided to take this action against Respondent's multi-state licensing privilege because of her substance abuse history and criminal history.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes as a matter of law that Respondent violated Health Occ. § 8-316, as follows:

(a) *In general.* – Subject to the hearing provisions of § 8-317 of this subtitle, the Board may...reprimand any licensee, place any licensee on probation, or suspend or revoke the license of a licensee if the... licensee:

- (3) Is disciplined by a licensing, military, or disciplinary authority in the State of any other state or country or convicted or disciplined by a court in this State or any other state or country for an act that would be grounds for disciplinary action under the Board's disciplinary statutes;
- (4) Is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or to a crime involving moral turpitude, whether or not any appeal or other proceeding is pending to have the conviction or plea set aside;

- (8) Does an act that is inconsistent with generally accepted professional standards in the practice of registered nursing or licensed practical nursing;

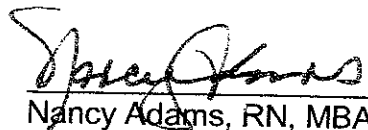
ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is this 17th day of November, 2009, by a majority vote of a quorum of the Board hereby:

ORDERED that April D. Standfield's license to practice Practical Nursing, License Number LP34895, is hereby **REVOKED**; and it is further

ORDERED that this Order of Revocation is a Final Order of the Board; and it is further

ORDERED that this Final Order is a public document pursuant to the Maryland Public Information Act, State Govt. §§ 10-611, *et seq.* (2004 & Supp. 2009) and that for purposes of public disclosure, the Board may disclose this document at its discretion to, including but not limited to, any national reporting bank or other entity to whom the Board is mandated to report.



Nancy Adams, RN, MBA
President
Maryland Board of Nursing

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to State Govt. § 10-222 (c), Respondent has a right to take a direct judicial appeal of a final decision by the Board. A Petition for Judicial Review must be filed within thirty (30) days of Respondent's receipt of this executed Order and shall be

made as provided for judicial review of a final decision in the APA, codified at State Govt. §§ 10-201 *et seq.* and Title 7, Chapter 200 of the Maryland Rules.