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March 16, 2017

Ashley E. Bowers, L.P.N.
2301 Hamilton Blvd.
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South Boston, VA 24592

RE: License Number: 0002-074234
Case Number: 171527

DUPLICATE COPY
VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

DATE 3/16/17

Dear Ms. Bowers:

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, you are hereby given notice that your license to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been mandatorily suspended by the enclosed Order entered March 15, 2017. You are hereby advised that you may not practice practical nursing or hold yourself out as a licensed practical nurse unless and until the Board of Nursing has notified you in writing that your license has been reinstated. Please return your license to Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director of the Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board"), at the above address, immediately upon receipt of this letter.

You may apply to the Board for reinstatement of your license, and you shall be entitled to a formal administrative hearing not later than the next regular meeting of the Board after the expiration of 60 days from the Board's receipt of your reinstatement application. The reinstatement of your license shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the Board present at the hearing. The reinstatement application can be found at www.dhp.virginia.gov/Nursing.

If you have any questions about this matter, you can contact me at (804) 367-4474 or anne.joseph@dhp.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

Anne Joseph

Anne Joseph, Deputy Director
Administrative Proceedings Division

cc: Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, Board of Nursing
Enclosures

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

IN RE: ASHLEY E. BOWERS, L.P.N.
License Number: 0002-074234
Case Number: 171527

ORDER OF MANDATORY SUSPENSION

In accordance with Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Virginia Department of Health Professions, received and acted upon evidence that Ashley E. Bowers, L.P.N., was convicted of five felony offenses in the Circuit Court of Halifax County, Virginia, to wit: possession with intent to distribute a Schedule I/II substance; larceny of a firearm; break and enter; conspire to break and enter; and obtain money by false pretense. A certified copy of the Conviction and Sentencing Order is attached hereto as Commonwealth's Exhibit 1.

WHEREUPON, by the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, it is hereby ORDERED that the license of Ashley E. Bowers, L.P.N., to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby SUSPENDED.

Upon entry of this Order, the license of Ashley E. Bowers, L.P.N., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current and valid. Should Ashley E. Bowers, L.P.N., seek reinstatement of her license pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

This Order shall be applicable to Ms. Bowers' multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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 or copying on request.



David E. Brown, D.C., Director
Virginia Department of Health Professions

ENTERED: 3/15/17

CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS

I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Department of Health Professions, hereby certify that the attached Conviction and Sentencing Order entered February 28, 2017, regarding Ashley E. Bowers, L.P.N., is a true copy of the records received from the Circuit Court of Halifax County, Virginia.



David E. Brown, D.C.

Date: 3/15/17



CONVICTION AND SENTENCING ORDER

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HALIFAX COUNTY
FEDERAL INFORMATION
PROCESSING STANDARDS CODE: 083

Hearing Date: February 17, 2017
Judge: Kimberley S. White

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

V.

ASHLEY ELIZABETH BOWERS, DEFENDANT

This date came again the Attorneys for the Commonwealth, Kia Scott and Todd Shockley, and Ashley Elizabeth Bowers, who stands indicted for felonies and misdemeanors to-wit: (1) On or about December 17, 2015, did unlawfully and feloniously manufacture, sell, give, distribute or possess with intent to manufacture, sell, give, or distribute, a controlled substance listed in Schedule I or Schedule II of the Drug Control Act, in violation of §§ 18.2-248; 54.1-3446 through 54.1-3452; 18.2-10 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended (CR16000131-00), (2) On or about December 17, 2015, did unlawfully steal property having a value of less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00), belonging to Sentara Halifax Regional Hospital, in violation of § 18.2-96 of the Virginia Code (1950) as amended (CR16000131-01), (1) On or between June 20, 2016 and June 25, 2016, did unlawfully and feloniously steal a firearm, or property having a value of two-hundred dollars (\$200) or more, belonging to Michael Short, in violation of §§ 18.2-95; 18.2-10 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (CR16000199-00), (2) On or between June 20, 2016 and June 25, 2016, did unlawfully and feloniously break and enter in the daytime, or enter without breaking in the nighttime, the dwelling of Michael Short, with the intent to commit larceny or any felony other than murder, rape, arson, or robbery, in violation of §§ 18.2-90; 18.2-91; 18.2-10 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended (CR16000199-01), (3) On or between June 20, 2016 and June 25, 2016, did unlawfully and feloniously conspire, confederate, or combine with one or more other persons to commit a felony, entering a dwelling with the intent to commit larceny, in violation of §§ 18.2-22; 18.2-91; 18.2-10 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended (CR16000199-02), (4) On or about June 22, 2016, with the intent to defraud, did unlawfully obtain by false pretense or token United States Currency having a value of less than two-hundred dollars (\$200.00), belonging to Riverside Pawn Co., in violation of §§ 18.2-178; 18.2-11 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended (CR16000199-03), and came also her attorney, Steven T. Kook.

Whereupon the defendant waived the reading of Counts #1 and #2 (Case #: CR16-131-00 and -01) and Counts #1 through #4 (Case #: CR16-199-00 through -03) in the Indictments and after private consultation with and after being advised by her counsel, plead *NOLO CONTENDERE* to Counts #1 and #2 (Case #: CR16-131-00 and -01) and Counts #1 through #4 (Case #: CR16-199-00 through -03) in the Indictments,

which pleas were tendered by the defendant in person and the Court, having made inquiry and being of the opinion that the defendant fully understood the nature and effect of her pleas and of the penalties that may be imposed upon her conviction, and of the waiver of trial by jury and of appeal, and finding that the pleas were knowingly, voluntarily and intelligently made, proceeded to try the case without the intervention of a jury as provided by law, and the Court having a summary of the evidence presented by the attorney for the Commonwealth, and having been advised by the defendant, her counsel, and the attorney for the Commonwealth that there has been a plea agreement in this case and such agreement in writing having been presented to the Court, and now filed herein, the Court accepts said agreement and the pleas of *nolo contendere* of the defendant and finds the defendant guilty of the following offenses:

CASE NUMBER	OFFENSE DESCRIPTION AND INDICATOR: (F/M)	OFFENSE DATE	VA. CODE SECTION
CR16-131-00	PWID: Schedule I/II Controlled Substance (F)	12/17/2015	18.2-248
CR16-131-01	Petit Larceny < \$200: Sentara Halifax Regional Hospital (M)	12/17/2015	18.2-96
CR16-199-00	Firearm Larceny > \$200: Michael Short (F)	06/20/2016- 06/25/2016	18.2-95
CR16-199-01	Break & Enter: Dwelling of Michael Short (F)	06/20/2016- 06/25/2016	18.2-90 & 18.2-91
CR16-199-02	Conspire to Break & Enter: Dwelling of Michael Short (F)	06/20/2016- 06/25/2016	18.2-22 & 18.2-91
CR16-199-03	Obtain Money by False Pretense < \$200: Riverside Pawn Company (F)	06/22/2016	18.2-178

The defendant, Attorney for the Defendant, Attorney for the Commonwealth, and the Court waived a presentence report.

Pursuant to the provisions of Code § 19.2-298.01, the Court has considered and reviewed the applicable discretionary sentencing guidelines and the guidelines worksheets. The sentencing guidelines worksheets and the written explanation of any departure from the guidelines are ordered filed as a part of the record in this case.

Before pronouncing the sentence, the Court inquired if the defendant desired to make a statement and if the defendant desired to advance any reason why judgment should not be pronounced.

The Court **SENTENCES** the defendant to:

Incarceration with the **Virginia Department of Corrections** for the term of ten (10) years on the PWID: Schedule I/II Controlled Substance conviction (CR16-131-00), for twelve (12) months on the Petit Larceny < \$200: Sentara Halifax Regional Hospital conviction (CR16-131-01), for five (5) years on the Firearm Larceny > \$200: Michael

Short conviction (CR16-199-00), for five (5) years on the Break & Enter: Dwelling of Michael Short conviction (CR16-199-01), for five (5) years on the Conspire to Break & Enter: Dwelling of Michael Short conviction (CR16-199-02), and for twelve (12) months on the Obtain Money by False Pretense < \$200: Riverside Pawn Company conviction (CR16-199-03). The total sentence imposed is twenty-five (25) years and twenty-four (24) months.

The Court **SUSPENDS** nine (9) years and three (3) months of the ten (10) year PWID: Schedule I/II Controlled Substance sentence (CR16-131-00), all of the twelve (12) month Petit Larceny < \$200: Sentara Halifax Regional Hospital sentence (CR16-131-01), all of the five (5) year Firearm Larceny > \$200: Michael Short sentence (CR16-199-00), four (4) years and nine (9) months of the Break & Enter: Dwelling of Michael Short sentence (CR16-199-01), all of the five (5) year Conspire to Break & Enter: Dwelling of Michael Short sentence (CR16-199-02), and all of the twelve (12) month Obtain Money by False Pretense < \$200: Riverside Pawn Company sentence (CR16-199-03), for a total suspension of twenty-five (25) years and twelve (12) months, upon the following conditions:

Good Behavior: The defendant shall be of good behavior for twenty-five (25) years commencing this date.

Supervised probation: The defendant is placed on probation to commence on her release from incarceration, under the supervision of a Probation Officer for three (3) years, or unless sooner released by the court or by the Probation Officer. The defendant shall comply with all the rules and requirements set by the Probation Officer. Probation shall include substance abuse counseling and/or testing as prescribed by the Probation Officer. The defendant shall abstain from the use of marijuana and other illegal drugs and shall be subject to random urine screens or other drug tests.

Credit for time served: The defendant shall be given credit for time spent in confinement while awaiting trial pursuant to Code § 53.1-187.

Operator's License: Mandatory Suspension of six (6) months on the PWID: Schedule I/II Controlled Substance conviction (CR16-131-00).

Restitution: The defendant shall make restitution to be paid first to Michael T. Short in the amount of \$550.00, jointly and severally with co-defendants convicted of this same crime by this Court, which payments shall be made through the Clerk's Office and monitored by the probation department. The defendant shall begin making monthly restitution payments on April 1, 2018 at a rate of no less than \$100.00 per month until the balance is paid in full. The defendant acknowledges that any missed payment shall warrant a violation.

DNA: A DNA sample is on file in LIDS and was taken on October 18, 2016 by collecting agency VA041023C – Blue Ridge Regional Jail Authority, Halifax County.

Costs: The Commonwealth of Virginia is to recover against the said defendant its costs by it about its prosecution in this behalf expended. The defendant shall have her Court costs paid in full within five (5) years from this date.

The defendant shall have no further contact whatsoever with Michael T. Short and is banned from his property.

The Court certifies that at all times during the trial of this case, the defendant was personally present with her attorney.

And the defendant is remanded to jail.

2/28/17
DATE

ENTER:

JUDGE



DEFENDANT'S IDENTIFICATION:

ALIAS: ASHLEY E. BOWERS

SSN: _____ DOB: _____

SEX: Female

SENTENCING SUMMARY:

TOTAL SENTENCE IMPOSED: 25 Years 24 Months

TOTAL SENTENCE SUSPENDED: 25 Years 12 Months (12 Months to serve)

Halifax County Circuit Court, VA

Cathy M. Cosby, Clerk

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Clerk

Dep. Clerk