BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

EUMIKA JANESE MINGGIA-RIDDELL, R.M.A.

Registration Number:

0031-007502

Case Number:

174067

ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4019 and 54.1-2400(10), a Special Conference Committee of the Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") held an informal conference on February 21, 2017, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Eumika Minggia-Riddell, R.M.A., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of medication aides in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Eumika Janese Minggia-Riddell, R.M.A., appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

NOTICE

By letter dated January 25, 2017, the Board sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Minggia-Riddell notifying her that an informal conference would be held on February 21, 2017. The 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 Committee adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and issues the Order contained herein.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Eumika Janese Minggia-Riddell, R.M.A., was issued Registration Number 0031-007502 to practice as a medication aide on February 28, 2014, which is scheduled to expire on July 31, 2017. At all times relevant to the findings contained herein, said registration was current and active.

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2. Ms. Minggia-Riddell violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2), (5) and (8) and 18 VAC

90-60-120(2)(f) of the Regulations Governing the Registration of Medication Aides in that during the

course of her employment with Chesapeake Place Assisted Living, Chesapeake, Virginia, on May 12,

2016, Ms. Minggia-Riddell behaved in an unprofessional manner by using profanity directed at a

fellow employee. Further, Ms. Minggia-Riddell left the facility during her shift and notified her shift

leader, but failed to notify her supervisor.

3. Ms. Minggia-Riddell's employment was terminated effective May 12, 2016.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Virginia Board of Nursing hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Eumika Janese Minggia-Riddell, R.M.A., is REPRIMANDED.

2. Eumika Janese Minggia-Riddell, R.M.A., shall comply with all laws and regulations

governing the practice of medication aides 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 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:

March 3, 2017

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NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Ms. Minggia-Riddell may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on April 5, 2017, notify 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, in writing that she desires a formal administrative hearing before the Board. Upon the filing with the Executive Director of a request for the hearing, this Order shall be vacated. This Order shall become final on April 5, 2017, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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