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CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Paul H. Werbin, RN, CRNA  
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Dear Mr. Werbin:

This is official notification that a Special Conference will be held, pursuant to §§ 54.1-110 and 54.1-3010 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, on June 23, 1989, at 3:00 p.m., in Conference Room 2, Department of Health Professions, 1601 Rolling Hills Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

The Special Conference Committee, which is composed of three members of the Virginia Board of Nursing, will inquire into allegations that you may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of nursing in Virginia.

Specifically, § 54.1-3007 (2), (5) and (6) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, and § 4.1B(3) and (5) of the Board of Nursing Regulations, may have been violated in that:

1. From on or about August, 1987 to August, 1988, while employed at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital and Leigh Memorial Hospital, Norfolk, Virginia, you diverted Sufenta and Fentanyl, Schedule II controlled substances for your personal, unauthorized use and self-administered same while on duty.

2. From on or about August 24, 1988 to September 16, 1988, you received inpatient treatment at Peninsula Hospital, Hampton, Virginia, with a discharge diagnosis of opioid dependence (Sufenta). You subsequently entered into a two year aftercare program.

You may be represented by an attorney at the Special Conference. After reviewing the alleged violations with you, the Special Conference Committee will make a recommendation of appropriate action. If the Conference Committee is of the opinion that the charges are without foundation, you will be notified that your record has been cleared of any charge which might affect your right to practice nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia. If the Conference Committee is of the opinion that dismissal of the charges is not appropriate, the Committee shall either: (i) with your consent, present the Committee's findings and conclusions in writing to the full Board with the recommendation for disciplinary sanction or (ii) refer the case for formal hearing in accordance with §§ 54.1-110 and 9-6.14:12 of the Code of Virginia.

Should you fail to appear at the Special Conference, the Board may proceed to a formal administrative hearing in order to impose sanctions. Please inform this office of your intention to appear at the hearing at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled date above. Also, please inform the Board office of a telephone number where you may be reached.

Enclosed you will find copies of the relevant sections of the Administrative Process Act, which governs proceedings of this nature, as well as the laws and regulations relating to the practice of nursing in Virginia.

Sincerely,

*M. Teresa Mullin*

M. Teresa Mullin, R.N., M.S.  
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Enclosure

cc: Mrs. Patricia W. Williams, R.N., Chairperson  
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