

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: JAMEKA ANITA BUCHANAN, L.P.N.
License Number: 0002-089600
Case Number: 171333

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 October 3, 2016, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Jameka Anita Buchanan, L.P.N., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Jameka Anita Buchanan, L.P.N. did not appear at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

NOTICE

By letter dated September 7, 2016, the Board sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Ms. Buchanan notifying her that an informal conference would be held on October 3, 2016. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board. The receipt for the Notice sent via certified mail was signed by a third party and returned to the Board office on September 14, 2016. The Notice sent via first-class mail was not returned to the Board office. Accordingly, the Committee Chair concluded that adequate notice was provided to Ms. Buchanan and the informal conference proceeded in her absence.

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. Jameka Anita Buchanan, L.P.N., was issued License Number 0002-089600 to practice practical nursing on August 27, 2013, which is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2018. At all times relevant to the findings contained herein, said license was current and active. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. Ms. Buchanan violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) and (f) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing in that during the course of her employment with All About Care, Richmond, Virginia, she failed to conduct assigned patient visits and falsely documented that she had conducted the visits, as evidenced by the following:
 - a. On December 15, 2015, she falsely documented that she had visited Patient A on December 11, 2015, and on December 21, 2015, she falsely documented that she had visited Patient A on December 15, although she had failed to conduct either visit. On each occasion, she documented performing assessments, including taking vital signs.
 - b. On December 15, 2015, she falsely documented she had visited Patient B, performed assessments, and completed wound care on December 13, 2015, although she had not done so.
 - c. On December 21, 2015, she falsely documented she had visited Patients C and D, performed assessments, and completed wound care on December 18, 2015, although she had actually not done so.
 - d. On December 22, 2015, she falsely documented she had visited Patient E, performed assessments, and completed wound care on December 18, 2015, although she had not actually done so.

3. Ms. Buchanan violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) of the Regulations in that on her December 27, 2015, application for employment with Encompass Home Health, she falsely stated her reason for leaving All About Care was “trying to find a company to grow with, more organized, and travel local,” when, in fact, her employment with All About Care had been terminated on December 21, 2015.

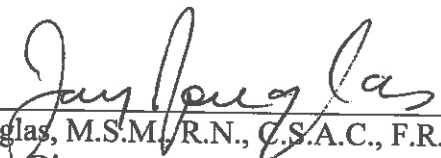
ORDER

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

1. Jameka A. Buchanan, L.P.N., is REPRIMANDED.
2. Ms. Buchanan shall provide the Board with written evidence of completion of the following NCSBN online courses within 90 days of the entry of this Order: (1) *Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing* and (2) *Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses*.
3. Ms. Buchanan shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
4. 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:

October 26th, 2016

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Ms. Buchanan may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on November 27, 2016, notify Jay P. 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 November 27, 2016, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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