

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: KRYSTAL JAKEALENE IRVIN WATSON, L.P.N.
License Number: 0002-089318
Case Number: 171566

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 December 12, 2016, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Krystal Jakealene Irvin Watson, L.P.N., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Krystal Jakealene Irvin Watson, L.P.N., appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

NOTICE

By letter dated September 22, 2016, the Board sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Ms. Watson notifying her that an informal conference would be held on October 18, 2016. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board. On October 17, 2016, Ms. Watson requested and was granted a continuance, and the matter was rescheduled for December 12, 2016.

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. Krystal Jakealene Irvin Watson, L.P.N., was issued License Number 0002-089318 to practice practical nursing on July 16, 2013, which is scheduled to expire on November 30, 2018. At all times relevant to the findings contained herein, said license was current and active. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. Krystal Jakealene Irvin Watson, L.P.N., violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2) and (5) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2) and (e) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing in that during the course of her employment with Carrington Place of Rural Retreat, Rural Retreat, Virginia, on January 11-12, 2016, she removed the narcotic count sheet and falsified the narcotic card log.
3. On January 20, 2016, Ms. Watson's employment with Carrington Place of Rural Retreat was terminated.
4. Ms. Watson violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(6) in that she is unsafe to practice practical nursing due to her admitted addiction to opiates. During her interview with the investigator for the Department of Health Professions ("Investigator"), Ms. Watson admitted that she was addicted to opiates.
5. Ms. Watson stated to the Committee that she was not addicted to opiates, but did not want to admit to the investigator that she used marijuana recreationally. Ms. Watson stated that if she had taken a urine screen at the time of the interview, it would have been positive for marijuana.
6. Ms. Watson stated that she stopped taking her narcotic medication prescribed for her chronic back pain in March 2016. She stated that she takes Motrin to manage her pain.
7. Ms. Watson stated that she last worked on November 29, 2016, providing personal respite care to a client, which did not require a nursing license.
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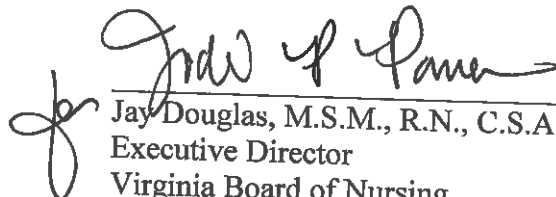
ORDER

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

1. Krystal Jakealene Irvin Watson, L.P.N., is REPRIMANDED.
2. Ms. Watson shall have an evaluation by a chemical dependency specialist satisfactory to the Board and shall have a written report of the evaluation, including a diagnosis, a recommended course of therapy, and a prognosis sent to the Board within 90 days from the date this Order is entered. Ms. Watson shall comply with any recommendations of the specialist. If therapy is recommended, written quarterly progress reports by the therapist shall be sent to the Board by the last day of the months of March, June, September and December until Ms. Watson is discharged from therapy. Ms. Watson shall direct the therapist to notify the Board if she withdraws from the treatment program before being officially discharged by the therapist.
3. Upon receipt of the required report, the Board shall conduct a review of this matter and may either schedule an additional administrative proceeding to consider the evaluation and make a final disposition of the matter or close the matter without a further proceeding. **This provision of this Order is not subject to appeal.**
4. Ms. Watson shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
5. 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:

December 29, 2014

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Ms. Watson may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on January 31, 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 January 31, 2017, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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