BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

STEFANIE JO PROCTOR, R.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT

License Number:

0001-142994

Case Number:

174838 & 169056

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 6, 2016, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon Stefanie Jo Proctor's application for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Stefanie Jo Proctor, R.N. appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

NOTICE

By letter dated November 9, 2016, the Board sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Proctor notifying her that an informal conference would be held on December 6, 2016. 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. Stefanie Jo Proctor, R.N., was issued License Number 0001-142994 to practice professional nursing on June 2, 1995, which expired on August 31, 2015. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
- 2. On June 24, 2016, Ms. Proctor submitted an application to reinstate her license to practice professional nursing.

- 3. Ms. Proctor violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(6) in that she is unsafe to practice professional nursing due to mental illness, in that from July 24, 2015 to August 3, 2015, Ms. Proctor was hospitalized at the Saint Alban's Hospital, Roanoke, Virginia, for major depression and suicidal ideation and plan. She was discharged with a diagnosis of major depression, recurrent, severe, with psychotic features, and insomnia.
- 4. Ms. Proctor signed a Participation Contract with the Health Practitioner's Monitoring Program ("HPMP") on September 16, 2016 and a Recovery Monitoring Contract on October 31, 2016 and is in compliance with her contract. She has consistently received outpatient treatment since her 2015 hospitalization. During the informal conference, Ms. Proctor reported that she has regularly seen a psychiatrist since 1997. Ms. Proctor has been compliant with group therapy through BRBH. She also stated that she has always been compliant with her medications. Ms. Proctor reports that her family is her primary support structure. Her father and stepmother were present for the informal conference and spoke on Ms. Proctor's behalf. Ms. Proctor reported that she has always removed herself from nursing practice when she has felt depressed. She said there have been no patient care issues in all her years of nursing.
- 5. In a Monthly Psychiatrist/Addiction Medicine Physician report received from the HPMP, Dr Justin White with Blue Ridge Behavioral Health ("BRBH"), Roanoke, Virginia, reported that Ms. Proctor is currently doing well and nothing indicates she would be a danger to herself or others. Dr. White fully supports Ms. Proctor returning to work as a health care provider. Ms. Proctor is currently seeing Dr. White monthly.
- 6. Ms. Proctor has demonstrated that she is able to resume the safe and competent practice of nursing, with monitoring.

7. Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400.2(K), the Board considered whether to disclose or not disclose Ms. Proctor's health records or health services.

ORDER

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

- 1. The application of Stefanie Jo Proctor, R.N., for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing is APPROVED contingent upon Ms. Proctor's continued compliance with the terms and conditions of the HPMP for the period specified by the HPMP.
- 2. Upon receipt of evidence of Ms. Proctor's participation in and successful completion of the terms specified by the HPMP, the Board, at its discretion, may waive Ms. Proctor's appearance before the Board and conduct an administrative review of this matter, at which time she may be issued an unrestricted license.
- 3. Stefanie Jo Proctor, R.N., shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- 4. This Order is applicable to Ms. Proctor's multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice professional nursing. For the duration of this Order, Ms. Proctor shall not work outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia pursuant to a multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the Virginia Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where she seeks to work. Any requests for out of state employment should be directed, in writing, to the Executive Director of the Board.
- 5. Any violation of the foregoing terms and conditions of this Order or any statute or regulation governing the practice of professional nursing shall constitute grounds for further disciplinary action.

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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

December 21, 2016

ENTERED AND MAILED:

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Ms. Proctor may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on January 23, 2017, notify Jay Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE, 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 23, 2017, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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