BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

STEFANIE JO PROCTOR, R.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT

License Number: Expiration Date:

0001-142994 August 31, 2015

Case Number:

174838, 169056

NOTICE OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE AND STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

You are hereby notified that an informal conference has been scheduled before the Board of Nursing ("Board") regarding your application for reinstatement of your license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

TYPE OF PROCEEDING:	This is an informal conference before a Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board.
DATE AND TIME:	December 6, 2016 9:00 A.M.
PLACE:	Virginia Department of Health Professions Perimeter Center - 9960 Mayland Drive 2 nd Floor - Virginia Conference Center Henrico, Virginia 23233

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION:

- 1. This informal conference is being held pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4019 and 54.1-2400(10). This proceeding will be convened as a public meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3700.
- 2. The burden rests on you, as the applicant, to demonstrate that you are prepared to resume the safe and competent practice of professional nursing.
- 3. In considering your application, the Committee will consider evidence that grounds may exist to deny your application for reinstatement of your license to practice professional nursing, as more fully set out in the enclosed Statement of Allegations.
- 4. At the conclusion of the proceeding, the Committee is authorized to take any of the following actions:
- Approve your application and issue an unrestricted license to practice professional nursing.
 - Approve your application and issue a restricted license subject to terms and conditions.
 - Deny your application;

Refer the matter to the Board for a formal administrative hearing.

ABSENCE OF RESPONDENT AND RESPONDENT'S COUNSEL:

If you fail to appear at the informal conference, the Committee may proceed to hear this matter in your absence and may take any of the actions outlined above.

RESPONDENT'S LEGAL RIGHTS:

You have the right to the information on which the Committee will rely in making its decision, to be represented by counsel at this proceeding, to subpoena witnesses and/or documents, and to present relevant evidence on your behalf.

INFORMAL CONFERENCE MATERIALS:

Enclosed is a copy of the documents that will be distributed to the members of the Committee and will be considered by the Committee when discussing any allegations with you and when deliberating on your case. These documents are enclosed only with the notice sent by certified mail, which you may be required to claim at the post office. Please bring these documents with you to the informal conference.

FILING DEADLINES:

- 1. Deadline for filing materials: November 29, 2016. Submit 5 copies of all documents you want the Board to consider to Dawnyel Towles, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233. Exhibits may not be sent by facsimile or e-mail.
- 2. Deadline for filing motions, including requests for continuance or objections to exhibits, in writing, to Dawnyel Towles at the above address: November 29, 2016. NOTE: Failure to object to the distribution prior to the proceeding will not affect your right to contest any information contained in these documents at the proceeding.

REQUEST FOR A CONTINUANCE

Absent exigent circumstances, such as personal or family illness, a request for a continuance after **November 29, 2016**, will not be considered. If you obtain counsel, you should do so as soon as possible, as a motion for a continuance due to the unavailability of counsel will not be considered unless received by **November 29, 2016**.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

The Board alleges that grounds exist to refuse to reinstate the license of Stefanie Jo Proctor to practice professional nursing in that Ms. Proctor violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(6) in that she is unsafe to practice professional nursing due to mental illness, as evidenced by the following:

- 1. On July 24, 2015 Ms. Proctor was hospitalized at the Carilion Clinic, 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.
- 2. From February 29, 2016 to June 13, 2016, Ms. Proctor received outpatient treatment at Horizon Behavioral Health, Lynchburg, Virginia, where she was diagnosed at discharge with major depressive disorder.

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.

Gloria Mitchell-Lively, R.N., M.S.N., M.B.A.

Deputy Executive Director Virginia Board of Nursing November 9, 2016 Date