

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: OSEH THORANKA, L.P.N.
License Number: 0002-087776
Case Number: 161319

RATIFICATION AND ORDER

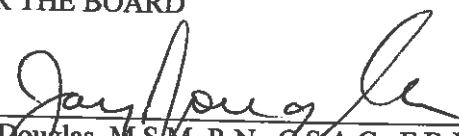
On November 16, 2016, a panel of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Oseh Thoranka, L.P.N. was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel.

In consideration whereof, the Board of Nursing ACCEPTS the attached Recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Agency Subordinate and ADOPTS the Recommended Order in its entirety.


Pursuant to Virginia Code § 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.

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Ms. Thoranka may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on January 2, 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.

FOR THE BOARD


Jay Douglas, M.S.M, R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Nursing

Certified True Copy

By 
Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED AND MAILED ON:

November 30th, 2016

This Order shall become final on January 2, 2017, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF AGENCY SUBORDINATE

Jurisdiction and Procedural History

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4019 and 54.1-2400(10), Allison Gregory, M.S., R.N., F.N.P.-B.C., serving as Agency Subordinate of the Virginia Board of Nursing (“Board”), held an informal conference on August 16, 2016 in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Oseh Thoranka, L.P.N. may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Ms. Thoranka appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Agency Subordinate makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and recommends that the Board adopt the following Order.

Notice

By letter dated July 18, 2016, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Ms. Thoranka notifying her that an informal conference would be held on August 16, 2016. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board of Nursing.

Recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

1. Oseh Thoranka, L.P.N. was issued License Number 0002-087776 to practice practical nursing on September 6, 2012, which is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2018. At all times relevant

to the findings herein, said license was in full force and effect. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. Oseh Thoranka, L.P.N. violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2) and (5) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(f) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing in that during the course of her employment with Maxim Healthcare, Falls Church, Virginia (“Maxim”), she submitted falsified documentation and timesheets verifying that she made scheduled home health visits to Client A on November 21, 2014 at 8:00 p.m. and November 22, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.; however, on the afternoon of November 21, 2014 Client A was admitted to Georgetown University Hospital and not discharged until November 28, 2014.

3. Ms. Thoranka’s employment with Maxim was terminated on March 19, 2015 for submitting falsified clinical documentation of visits provided on the dates in question. At the informal conference, Ms. Thoranka admitted that she submitted the clinical documents with incorrect information, but that it was a “mistake.” She stated that she merely transferred the information from notes made about another patient onto Client A’s documents in error.

4. Ms. Thoranka also admitted that at the time of the incident, she was doing home visits for Maxim during the hours that she was on duty with ManorCare Health Services-Arlington, Arlington, Virginia (“ManorCare”). Ms. Thoranka stated that she would use her break time at ManorCare to complete her home visits for Maxim. ManorCare was not aware that she was also working for Maxim. Ms. Thoranka stated that she was also working a third job providing private duty nursing services for an elderly patient.

5. Ms. Thoranka stated that she resigned from ManorCare in May, 2016. She stated that she has been employed by Consulate Health Care: Envoy at Woodbridge, Woodbridge, Virginia

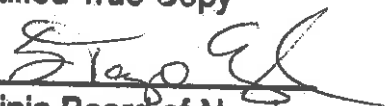
("Consulate"), since June 2016. No performance evaluations of her nursing practice at Consulate were available. Consulate is not aware of her appearance at the informal conference.

Recommended Order

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Agency Subordinate recommends that the Board issue an Order as follows:

1. Oseh Thoranka is REPRIMANDED.
2. Oseh Thoranka is assessed a MONETARY PENALTY of \$150.00. This penalty shall be paid to the Board by certified check or money order made payable to the Treasurer of Virginia within 90 days from the date of entry of this Order. Failure to pay the full monetary penalty by the due date may cause the matter to be sent for collection and constitutes grounds for an administrative proceeding and further discipline.
3. Within 90 days from the date of entry of this Order, Oseh Thoranka shall provide written proof satisfactory to the Board of successful completion of the following NCSBN course: Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing. Continuing education obtained through compliance with this term shall not be used toward licensure renewal.
4. Oseh Thoranka shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Reviewed and approved on September 28, 2016
By Allison Gregory, M.S., R.N., F.N.P.-B.C.
Agency Subordinate

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