

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: MARIA DESHAWN RODGERS, C.N.A. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT
License Number: 1401-003192
Case Number: 174227

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 26, 2016, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon Maria Deshawn Rodgers’ application for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Maria Deshawn Rodgers appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

NOTICE

By letter dated September 2, 2016, the Board sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Ms. Rodgers notifying her that an informal conference would be held on October 26, 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. Maria Deshawn Rodgers was issued Certificate Number 1401-003192 to practice as a nurse aide on February 23, 1989, which expired on February 28, 2007.
2. On August 1, 2007, Ms. Rodgers submitted an application for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as a nurse aide to the Board. By Order entered April 18, 2008, the Board denied

Ms. Rodger's application. Ms. Rodgers submitted a SECOND application for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as a nurse aide to the Board on June 7, 2016.

3. Ms. Rodgers violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2) and 18 VAC 90-25-100(2)(f) of the Regulations Governing Certified Nurse Aides in that, on April 18, 2008, the Board denied Ms. Rodger's application for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

4. At the informal conference Ms. Rodgers explained that she had failed to appear at the informal conference for her August 1, 2007 reinstatement application due to her new employment and work obligations. Ms. Rodgers did not realize the importance of her presence at the previous informal conference, so she made every effort to attend the informal conference today.

5. Ms. Rodgers currently works part-time as a personal care aide with Hallmark Home Healthcare, Danville, Virginia, and does private duty work at night. Ms. Rodgers stated that her employer is aware of her presence at the informal conference and is supportive of her application.

6. Ms. Rodgers provided evidence that following her 2006 felony conviction her civil rights had been restored.

7. Ms. Rodgers has demonstrated that she is prepared to resume safe and competent nurse aide practice.

ORDER


Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Virginia Board of Nursing hereby ORDERS that the application of Maria Deshawn Rodgers for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as a nurse aide is APPROVED without restriction.

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

Certified True Copy

By 
Virginia Board of Nursing


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

ENTERED AND MAILED: November 9th, 2016

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Ms. Rodgers may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on December 12, 2016, 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 December 12, 2016, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.