

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: ALEXANDRA BLACKMON, R.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT
License No.: 0001-240305

ORDER

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 54.1-110, and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), a formal administrative hearing was held before a panel of the Board of Nursing ("Board") on July 16, 2013, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon the application of Alexandra Blackmon, R.N., for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing in Virginia following its mandatory suspension by the Virginia Department of Health Professions on January 30, 2013, and to inquire into evidence that Ms. Blackmon may have violated certain laws governing professional nursing practice in Virginia. The case was presented by James E. Rutkowski, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division. Braden Curtis, Assistant Attorney General, was present as legal counsel for the Board. Ms. Blackmon was not present and was not represented by legal counsel. The proceedings were recorded by a certified court reporter.

Upon consideration of the evidence presented, the Board adopted the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Alexandria Blackmon, R.N., was issued License No. 0001-240305 to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia on August 24, 2012. Said license was mandatorily suspended pursuant to § 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia by Order of the Department of Health Professions entered on January 30, 2013. Ms. Blackmon submitted an application for reinstatement of her professional nursing license to the Board on March 26, 2013. Ms. Blackmon currently holds an active license to practice professional nursing in Minnesota. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. Based upon the representations of James E. Rutkowski, Adjudication Specialist, and Commonwealth's Exhibit #1, the Notice of Formal Hearing and Statement of Particulars, Commonwealth's Exhibit #2, the Affidavit of Mailing, and Commonwealth's Exhibit #6, the U.S. Postal Service online tracking of the certified mail sent to Ms. Blackmon, the presiding officer ruled that adequate notice was provided to Ms. Blackmon and the hearing proceeded in the absence of Ms. Blackmon.

3. On January 14, 2013, the Minnesota Board of Nursing ("Minnesota Board") suspended Ms. Blackmon's Minnesota license to practice professional nursing based on findings that she owed \$500.00 or more in delinquent taxes to the State of Minnesota. The Minnesota Board further ordered that the suspension was in effect until such time the Minnesota Board received a tax clearance certificate from the Minnesota Department of Revenue indicating Ms. Blackmon does not owe any delinquent taxes, penalties, or interest and has filed all required returns. This suspension was the basis for the mandatory suspension of her professional nursing license in Virginia.

4. By Order dated February 11, 2013, the Minnesota Board reinstated Ms. Blackmon's license to practice professional nursing based on the finding she complied with Minnesota Board of Nursing Order of January 14, 2013.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board concludes that:

1. Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(7) of the Code.
2. Ms. Blackmon has demonstrated satisfactory evidence that she is prepared to resume practice in a safe and competent manner.

ORDER

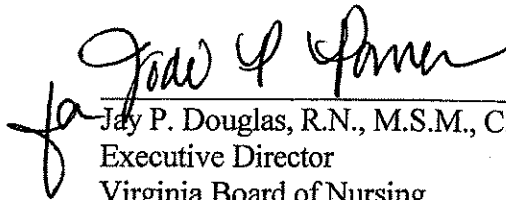
WHEREFORE, the Virginia Board of Nursing, by affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of the Board at the hearing, effective upon entry of this Order, hereby ORDERS that:

1. The license of Alexandra Blackmon, R.N., to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby REINSTATED. Ms. Blackmon shall be issued a "Valid in Virginia Only" license.

2. Ms. Blackmon shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a professional nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2 of the Code, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as public record and shall be made available for public inspection or copying on request.

FOR THE BOARD



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

August 2, 2013

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Virginia Board of Nursing

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, you have 30 days from the date you are served with this Order in which to appeal this decision by filing a Notice of Appeal with Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233. The service date shall be defined as the date you actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to you, whichever occurred first. In the event this decision is served upon you by mail, three days are added to that period.