

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: SHAVONNA MAXINE BRYANT, R.N. APPLICANT
Case Number: 174607

0001-269131

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 11, 2016, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon Ms. Bryant’s application for licensure by examination to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia and to inquire into evidence that grounds may exist to deny said application.

Shavonna Maxine Bryant 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. Bryant notifying her that an informal conference would be held on October 11, 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. On March 21, 2016, Shavonna M. Bryant submitted an application for licensure by examination to practice professional nursing to the Board. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. Ms. Bryant violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(6) in that she is unsafe to practice professional nursing due to substance abuse, as evidenced by the following:

a. On May 18, 2016, in the General District Court of Hampton, Virginia, Ms. Bryant was convicted of driving while under the influence. She was sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended, and placed on probation for two years. She was also ordered to complete the Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (“VASAP”) and to have an ignition interlock for six months.

b. On July 6, 2010, in the General District Court of Newport News, Virginia, Ms. Bryant was convicted of public intoxication and was fined \$50 plus court costs.

3. Ms. Bryant attended a 23-session substance abuse group at Gordon Wellness, LLC, Newport News, Virginia. She provided a certificate of completion dated August 16, 2016.

4. Ms. Bryant reported a sobriety date of August 28, 2016. She is scheduled to be released from the ignition interlock in November 2016 and from supervised probation in May 2017. She also has family supporting her.

5. Ms. Bryant otherwise meets the requirements of Virginia Code § 54.1-3017 and 18 VAC 90-20-190(B) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.

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 Shavonna Maxine Bryant for licensure to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is APPROVED. Upon successful completion of the NCLEX-RN examination, Shavonna Maxine Bryant shall be issued a license valid in Virginia only, contingent upon Ms. Bryant’s entry into the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program (“HPMP”). Thereafter, Ms. Bryant shall comply with the terms and conditions of the HPMP for the period specified by the HPMP.

2. This Order is applicable to Ms. Bryant's multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice professional nursing. For the duration of this Order, Shavonna Maxine Bryant 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.

3. Upon receipt of evidence of Ms. Bryant's participation in and successful completion of the terms specified by the HPMP, the Board, at its discretion, may waive Ms. Bryant's appearance before the Board and conduct an administrative review of this matter, at which time she may be issued an unrestricted license type.

4. Shavonna Maxine Bryant shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.


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.

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:

October 19TH, 2016

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Ms. Bryant may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on November 21, 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 November 21, 2016, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.