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RE: Certificate No. 1401-088759 – Expired October 31, 2003

Dear Ms. Knight-Walker:

This is official notification that an Informal Conference will be held, pursuant to § 2.2-4019, § 2.2-4021, § 54.1-110 and § 54.1-2400(7) and (10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, on **January 24, 2005, at 9:00 a.m.**, in the offices of the Department of Health Professions, 6603 West Broad Street, Fifth Floor, Richmond, Virginia. You may be represented by an attorney at the conference.

The Special Conference Committee, which is comprised of at least two members of the Virginia Board of Nursing, will receive and act upon your petition for the reinstatement of your certificate to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia, which expired on October 31, 2003, and will inquire into allegations that you may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of nurse aides in Virginia.

You may have violated § 54.1-3007(4) of the Code, in that, on June 24, 2004, you were convicted in the Circuit Court of the City of Norfolk, Norfolk, Virginia, of obtaining money or property by fraud, a misdemeanor. The Court sentenced you to 12 months incarceration, with the entire sentence suspended, and placed you on unsupervised probation for 3 years.

After meeting with you, the Conference Committee is authorized to take one of the following actions:

1. The committee may reinstate your certificate to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth without restriction;
2. The committee may deny the reinstatement of your certificate;
3. The committee may reinstate your certificate and place you on probation with such terms and conditions as it may deem appropriate;
4. The committee may reinstate your certificate and reprimand you;
5. The committee may reinstate your certificate and impose a monetary penalty pursuant to § 54.1-2401 of the Code; or
6. The committee may refer the case to the Board of Nursing or a panel thereof for a formal hearing.
7. If the committee finds that there is sufficient evidence to find you in violation of the above charge(s) and § 54.1-3007(8) of the Code, the committee shall make a finding of abuse, neglect or misappropriation of patient property, which will be entered in the Virginia Nurse Aide Registry pursuant to 42 CFR § 483.156(b)(2) and (c)(1)(iv)(D)

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of the Code of Federal Regulations. According to 42 CFR § 483.13(c)(1)(ii)(B) of the federal regulations, such a finding will prohibit your future employment as a certified nurse aide in any long term care facility, which receives Medicare or Medicaid reimbursement.

Pursuant to § 54.1-3009 of the Code, the burden of providing evidence satisfactory to the Board that you are prepared to resume the competent practice of nursing with reasonable skill and safety to patients rests with you.

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

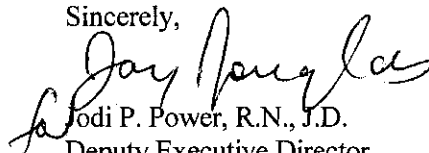
At least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled date of the conference please inform this office of your telephone number and whether you intend to appear at the conference. This can be done by calling our offices at (804) 662-9075 or by sending us a letter at the address listed above.

If you have any additional documents to be presented to the Conference Committee, please bring five (5) copies of each document with you.

You have the right to information, which will be relied upon by the Board in making a decision. Therefore, I enclosed a copy of the documents, which will be distributed to the members of the Committee and will be considered by the Committee when discussing the allegations with you and when deliberating upon your case. These documents are enclosed only with the original notice sent by certified mail, and must be claimed at the post office. Please bring these documents with you.

Enclosed you will find copies of the relevant sections of the Administrative Process Act, which governs proceedings of this nature, as well as the laws and regulations relating to the practice of nursing in Virginia.

Sincerely,


Jodi P. Power, R.N., J.D.
Deputy Executive Director
Nurse Aide Registry Manager

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Enclosures

cc: Robert A. Nebiker, Director for the Department of Health Professions
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