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BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

VA BD OF NURSING

IN RE: CAVONDA DENE EPPS, C.M.T. APPLICANT
Case Number: 174207

009-014721

CONSENT ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Cavonda Dene Epps, as evidenced by their signatures hereto, in lieu of proceeding to an informal conference, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Epps' application for certification by examination to practice massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Cavonda Dene Epps submitted an application for certification by examination to practice massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia on August 14, 2015.
2. Ms. Epps violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(4) in that on August 1, 2007, she was convicted in the Circuit Court for Albemarle County, Virginia, of one count of embezzlement, a felony. She was sentenced on October 9, 2007, to five years incarceration with all time suspended on condition that she keep the peace and be of good behavior for five years. She is subject to supervised probation for at least one year or until she has paid restitution, whichever is longer.
3. On June 29, 2015, Ms. Whitehead passed the Massage & Bodywork Licensing Examination.
4. Ms. Epps otherwise meets the requirements of Virginia Code § 54.1-3029.

CONSENT

Cavonda Dene Epps, C.M.T., by affixing her signature to this Consent Order, agrees to the following:

1. I have been advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document;
2. I am fully aware that without my consent, no legal action can be taken against me except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, Virginia Code § 2.2-4000 *et seq.*;
3. I acknowledge that I have the following rights, among others: the right to an informal fact-finding conference before the Board; the right to representation by counsel; and the right to cross-examine witnesses against me;
4. I waive all right to an informal conference;
5. I admit to the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law contained herein and waive my right to contest such Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and any sanction imposed hereunder in any future judicial or administrative proceeding in which the Board is a party;
6. I consent to the entry of the following Order affecting my application for certification to practice massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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 Cavonda Denee Epps for certification by examination to practice massage therapy is hereby APPROVED. The Board shall issue Ms. Epps an unrestricted certificate to practice massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
2. Ms. Epps is hereby REPRIMANDED.
3. Ms. Epps shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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

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

ENTERED: July 21ST, 2016

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Cavonda Denee Epps
Cavonda Denee Epps

Certified True Copy
By [Signature]
Virginia Board of Nursing

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY/CITY OF Charlottesville, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to me, a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia at large, on this 13TH day of July, 2016.

Rebbie Bankard
Notary Public

My commission expires:

11-30-2018

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