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February 2, 2016

Mary Kathryn Honsinger 6707 Clark Road Powhatan, VA 23139

RE: License No.: 0001-215408

CERTIFIED MAIL
DUPLICATE COPY
VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

DATE <u>06/16</u>

Dear Ms. Honsinger:

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), you are hereby given notice that your license to practice nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been mandatorily suspended by the enclosed Order entered February 2, 2016. You are hereby advised that, pursuant to Section 54.1-2409.1 of the Code, any person who practices a profession or occupation after having their license or certificate to do so suspended shall be guilty of a felony. Please return your license to Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director of the Virginia Board of Nursing, at the above address, immediately upon receipt of this letter.

Section 54.1-2409 of the Code further provides that you may apply to the Board of Nursing ("Board") for reinstatement of your license, and shall be entitled to a hearing not later than the next regular meeting of the Board after the expiration of sixty days from the receipt of such reinstatement application. You have the following rights, among others: to be represented by legal counsel, to have witnesses subpoenaed on your behalf, to present documentary evidence and to cross-examine adverse witnesses. The reinstatement of your license shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members present of the Board of Nursing.

Should you wish to petition the Board of Nursing for reinstatement of your license, contact Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, at the above address or (804) 367-4599.

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VA BD OF NURSING

Enclosures Case #170730 Sincerely,

David E. Brown, D.C., Director Department of Health Professions VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

IN RE:

MARY KATHRYN HONSINGER, R.N.

License No.: 0001-215408

<u>ORDER</u>

In accordance with Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Virginia Department of Health Professions, received and acted upon evidence that:

 Mary Kathryn Honsinger, R.N., was convicted of a felony charge in the Circuit Court of the City of Williamsburg and the County of James City, to wit: One (1) Count of Make or Utter a Forged Prescription. A certified copy of the Conviction and Sentencing Order is attached to this Order and is marked as Commonwealth's Exhibit No. 1.

2. The privilege of Mary Kathryn Honsinger, R.N., to practice nursing through the Nurse Licensure Compact in the State of Maryland was suspended by a Default Final Decision and Order of Suspension of Multi-State Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing in Maryland dated August 31, 2015. A certified copy of the Default Final Decision and Order of Suspension of Multi-State Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing in Maryland is attached to this Order and is marked as Commonwealth's Exhibit No. 2.

WHEREFORE, by the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, it is hereby ORDERED that the license of Mary Kathryn Honsinger, R.N., to practice nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia be, and hereby is, SUSPENDED.

Upon entry of this Order, the license of Mary Kathryn Honsinger, R.N., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current. Should Ms. Honsinger seek reinstatement of her license pursuant

to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of her license prior to issuance of her license to resume practice.

Pursuant to Sections 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 a public record and shall be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

David E. Brown, D.C., Director Department of Health Professions

ENTERED: 2/2/16



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CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS

I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Department of Health Professions, hereby certify that the attached Conviction and Sentencing Order entered July 21, 2015, regarding Mary Kathryn Honsinger, R.N., is a true copy of the records received from the Circuit Court for the City of Williamsburg and the County of James City.

David E. Brown, D.C.

Date: 2/2/16

CONVICTION AND SENTENCING ORDER

VIRGINIA: THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CITY OF WILLIAMSBURG AND COUNTY OF JAMES CITY

FEDERAL INFORMATION PROCESSING STANDARDS CODE: 095

Hearing Date: JULY 9, 2015

Judge: AUNDRIA D. FOSTER, JUDGE DESIGNATE

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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MARY HONSINGER, DEFENDANT

This day came the defendant, who appeared in person with her attorney, John D. Konstantinou, heretofore appointed. The Commonwealth was represented by Joshua P. DeFord. Whereupon the defendant was arraigned and after being advised by her Counsel pleaded Guilty to the indictment, which plea was tendered by the defendant in person, and the Court, having made inquiry and being of the opinion that the defendant fully understood the nature and effect of her plea and of the penalties that may be imposed upon her conviction, and of the waiver of trial by jury and of appeal, and the Court having been advised by the defendant, the attorney for the defendant, and the Attorney for the Commonwealth that there has been a plea agreement in this case, and such agreement in writing having been presented to the Court, and filed herein, and with the concurrence of the Attorney for the Commonwealth and of the Court, proceeded to try the case without the intervention of a jury as provided by law.

Having heard the evidence and the argument of counsel, the Court finds the defendant Guilty of the following offense:

CASE NUMBER	OFFENSE DESCRIPTION AND INDICATOR (F/M)		OFFENSE DATE	VA. CODE SECTION
24531-00	Make or utter a forged prescription (VCC: NAR-3082-F6	(F)	01-22-15	18.2-258.1

Pursuant to the provisions of Code § 19.2-298.01, the Court has considered and reviewed the applicable discretionary sentencing guidelines and the guidelines worksheets. The sentencing guidelines worksheets and the written explanation of any departure from the guidelines are ordered filed as a part of the record in this case.

Before pronouncing the sentence, the Court inquired if the defendant desired to make a statement and if the defendant desired to advance any reason why judgment should not be pronounced.

The Court SENTENCES the defendant to:

Incarceration with the Virginia Department of Corrections for the term of: 5 years.

The Court SUSPENDS 5 years of the sentence, for a period of 10 years, upon the following condition(s):

Good behavior. The defendant shall keep the peace, be of good behavior and violate none of the penal laws of this Commonwealth or any other jurisdiction for 10 years. The defendant is to maintain full-time employment.

Supervised probation. The defendant is placed on probation under the supervision of a Probation Officer until released by the Court or by the Probation Officer. The defendant shall comply with all the rules and requirements set by the Probation Officer. Probation shall include substance abuse counseling and/or testing as prescribed by the Probation Officer. The defendant shall remain drug and alcohol free

Drug screening and assessment. The defendant is convicted of a felony committed after January 1, 2000, and is ordered to undergo a substance abuse screening and, if the screening indicates a substance abuse or dependence problem, an assessment by a certified substance abuse counselor as defined in § 54.1-3500 employed by the Department of Corrections or an agency employee under the direct supervision of such counselor. If the defendant is determined to have a substance abuse problem, the Court orders that the defendant enter a treatment and/or education program, if available, which in the opinion of the Court is best suited to the needs of the defendant. The Court requires the defendant to pay all or part of the costs of the program or treatment, excluding the costs of screening and assessment, based upon the persons ability to pay.

Operator's license. The defendant's motor vehicle operator's license is suspended for 6 months.

Costs. The defendant shall pay all costs associated with this case.

The Court certifies that at all times during the trial of his case the defendant was personally present with the attorney for the defendant.

The defendant is allowed to depart.

JUDGE DESIGNATE

DEFENDANT IDENTIFICATION:

SSN: 15- ***

DOB: 01-22-86

Sex: FEMALE

SENTENCING SUMMARY:

TOTAL SENTENCE IMPOSED: 5 YEARS TOTAL SENTENCE SUSPENDED: 5 YEARS

I CERTIFY THAT THE DOCUMENT TO WHICH THIS AUTHENTICATION IS AFFIXED IS A TRUE COPY OF A RECORD IN THE CLACUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF WELLAMBBURG AND COUNTY OF JAMES CITY, VA AND I AM QUSTODIAN OF THAT RECORD.

BETSY B. WOOLRIDGE, CLERK



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CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS

I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Department of Health Professions, hereby certify that the attached Default Decision and Order of Suspension of Multi-State Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing in Maryland dated August 31, 2015, regarding Mary Kathryn Honsinger, R.N., is a true copy of the records received from the State of Maryland Board of Nursing.

David E. Brown, D.C.

Date: 2/2/16

THE MATTER OF

MARY HONSINGER

BEFORE THE MARYLAND

BOARD OF NURSING

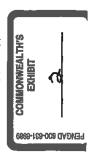
MULTI-STATE PRIVILEGE TO PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSING VA LICENSE No.: 0001215408

DEFAULT FINAL DECISION AND ORDER OF SUSPENSION
OF MULTI-STATE LICENSING PRIVILEGE TO PRACTICE
REGISTERED NURSING IN MARYLAND

On February 13, 2014, the Maryland Board of Nursing (the "Board") issued a charging document (the "Charges") to MARY HONSINGER, registered nurse (RN), Virginia License Number 0001215408, (the "Respondent"), alleging that the Respondent violated the Maryland Nurse Practice Act (the "Act"), Md. Code Ann Health Occupations ("Health Occ.") §§ 8-101 et seq. (2009 Repl. Vol. & 2012 Supp.) and the Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact, specifically Md Code Ann. Health Occ. §§8-7A-01 et seq.

The Board's Charges notified the Respondent of the opportunity to request an evidentiary hearing before the Board. The Charges also advised that if the Respondent failed to submit a request for a hearing to the Board within thirty (30) days from the date of the issuance of the Charges, the Respondent would waive the opportunity for an evidentiary hearing. In the event of such a waiver, the Charges notified the Respondent that the Board would issue a final decision and order by default pursuant to § 10-210(4) of the Administrative Procedure Act, Md. Code Ann., State Gov't §§ 10-201, et seq., wherein the allegations of fact in the Charges would become findings of facts, the disciplinary grounds cited in the Charges alleged to have been

¹ The Board's Charging Document consisted of a three-page letter, a seven-page document entitled, "Charges Under the Maryland Nurse Practice Act," and a one-page "Request for Hearing" form that the Respondent could submit to the Board to request an evidentiary hearing. The Board's Charging Document is appended to this Order as Exhibit A and is incorporated by reference in its entirety.



Mary Honsinger, VA License # 0001215408 Default Final Decision and Order of Suspension of Multi-State Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing in Maryland

violated would become conclusions of law, and a disciplinary sanction and/or monetary penalty would be imposed.

The Board sent its Charges by regular and certified mail to the Respondent's last known address. The Board finds that the Charges were properly issued and that due and proper notice was given to the Respondent in accordance with the Nurse Practice Act, Health Occ. § 8-317, and the Administrative Procedure Act, State Gov't § 10-207.

The Respondent failed to submit a request for an evidentiary hearing within thirty (30) days from the date of the issuance of the Board's Charges. Thus, the Board finds that the Respondent has waived the right to an evidentiary hearing and that the Board is authorized to issue this final decision and order by default pursuant to the authority of Health Occ. § 8-317(e) and State Gov't § 10-210(4).

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Board adopts allegations of fact numbers 1-39 on pages 2-7 of the attached Charges as Findings of Fact.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Accordingly, the Board concludes that the Respondent has violated Health Occ. § 8-316(a):

- (8) Does an act that is inconsistent with the generally accepted professional standards in the practice of registered nursing;
- (20) Fails to cooperate with a lawful investigation conducted by the Board;
- (25) Engages in conduct that violates the professional code of ethics; to wit,

Code of Maryland Regulations ("COMAR") 10.27.19.02 C. A nurse may not engage in behavior that dishonors the profession whether or not acting in the capacity or identity of a licensed nurse, including, but not limited to:

Mary Honsinger, VA License # 0001215408

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(4) Diverting any medication or providing false or misleading information to an authorized prescriber or a pharmacist to obtain or attempt to obtain any medication.

The Board concludes that these violations of the Nurse Practice Act fall within category C of the Board's sanctioning guidelines. *See* COMAR 10.27.26.07C. The range of potential sanctions under category C includes reprime to revocation.

ORDER

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the Respondent's Multi-State Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing in the State of Maryland under Virginia license number 0001215408, is hereby SUSPENDED INDEFINITELY; and it is further

ORDERED that the Board will not consider an application for reinstatement of the Respondent's Multi-State Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing in the State of Maryland any earlier than THREE (3) YEARS from the effective date of this Order; and it is further

ORDERED that this Default Final Decision and Order is a PUBLIC DOCUMENT under Md. Code Ann., General Provisions §§ 4-101 et seq. and § 4-333 (2014).

Date Date

Mary Kay Goetter, PhD, RN, NEA-BC

Executive Director

Maryland Board of Nursing

Mary Honsinger, VA License # 0001215408 Default Final Decision and Order of Suspension of Multi-State Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing in Maryland

NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS

Any person aggrieved by a final decision of the Board under Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §8-316(a) may take a direct judicial appeal within thirty (30) days of the date this Order is mailed, as provided by Md Code. Ann., Health Occ. §8-318(b), State Gov't § 10-222, and Title 7, Chapter 200 of the Maryland Rules, including Md. Rule 7-203 ("Time for Filing Action").

DATE MAILED: August 31, 2015

STATE OF MARYLAND

MARYLAND BOARD OF NURSING 4140 PATTERSON AVENUE BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215-2254



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February 13, 2014

VIA REGULAR AND CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

#7011 3500 0000 4379 6312 Mary Honsinger 7203 Otey Drive Lanexa, VA 23089

RE:

NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION-Charges under the Maryland Nurse Practice Act Multistate Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing

Dear Ms. Honsinger:

The Maryland State Board of Nursing (the "Board") is the state agency responsible for the regulation of the practice of nursing in the State of Maryland pursuant to the authority of the Maryland Nurse Practice Act, Maryland Health Occupations Code Annotated, § 8-101 et seq. (2009). Pursuant to § 8-7A-01 and § 8-316(a) of the Maryland Nurse Practice Act, the Board may discipline the multistate nursing privilege of any licensee which may include reprimand, probation, suspension or revocation of the licensee's multistate nursing privilege, if the Board finds that the licensee has violated any of the disciplinary grounds set out at § 8-316(a)(1)-(34).

Based on the allegations of fact and violation(s) of the disciplinary ground(s) cited in the enclosed document entitled, "Charges Under the Maryland Nurse Practice Act" (hereinafter "Charges"), the Board is notifying you of its intent to take disciplinary action against your multistate nursing privilege, which may include reprimand, probation, suspension or revocation. This letter and the enclosed Charges constitute the notice of agency action required by § 10-207 of the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act, Maryland State Government Code Annotated § 10-101 et seq. (2009).

Under § 8-317 of the Maryland Nurse Practice Act, the Board is required to give you an opportunity for an evidentiary hearing before the Board prior to the Board taking any disciplinary action against your multistate nursing privilege.



NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION: Charges Under the Nurse Practice Act Mary Honsinger, Multistate Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing

TO REQUEST A HEARING:

If you wish to schedule a hearing, please submit a written request for a hearing to the Board within 30 days of the date of this letter, by mail or fax, to:

Keva S. Jackson-McCoy, MSN, RN, Director Discipline and Rehabilitation Maryland Board of Nursing 4140 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215 FAX: (410) 358-1499

A Request for Hearing form has been enclosed for your convenience.

If you submit a written request for an evidentiary hearing, the Board will schedule a settlement conference to provide an opportunity for a resolution of this case without proceeding to a formal evidentiary hearing. Your attendance at the settlement conference is voluntary and your decision not to attend the settlement conference will not influence the Board in deciding what if any action to take in your case. If you choose not to attend the settlement conference, the Board will schedule an evidentiary hearing on the merits of the disciplinary charges under the Maryland Nurse Practice Act. The Board will notify you in writing, at your address last known to the Board, of the date, time and location of the hearing. A copy of the Board's hearing procedures will be made available to you upon request. The hearing before the Board will be conducted in accordance with the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act, Annotated Code of Maryland, State Government Article, § 10-101 et seq. (2009), § 8-317 of the Maryland Nurse Practice Act, and regulations promulgated by the Board at Code of Maryland Regulations ("COMAR") 10.27.02. Pursuant to § 8-317 of the Maryland Nurse Practice Act, and § 10-208 of the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act, you have the right to be represented by an attorney, subpoena evidence and witnesses, present evidence, cross examine witnesses called against you, and to present summation and argument. Pursuant to §§ 8-316(a) and 8-317 of the Maryland Nurse Practice Act, § 10-221 of the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act, and COMAR 10.27.02.09, if, after a hearing, the Board finds that you violated any of the disciplinary ground(s) in § 8-316(a) cited in the enclosed Charges, the Board may take disciplinary action against your multistate nursing privilege by issuing a public Final Decision and Order, which will include findings of fact, conclusions of law, and orders a disciplinary sanction against your multistate nursing privilege, which may include reprimand, probation, suspension, or revocation.

Also, pursuant to § 10-208(7) of the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act, you may agree to the evidence and waive your right to appear at the hearing before the Board. However, if you waive your right to appear at the hearing or fail to appear at the hearing for other reasons, please be advised that pursuant to § 8-317(e) of the Maryland Nurse Practice Act, § 10-221 of the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act, and COMAR 10.27.02.09, the Board may hear and consider the State's evidence, decide the disposition of your case despite your absence, and issue a public Final Decision and Order, which will include findings of fact, conclusions of law, and an order of a disciplinary sanction against your multistate nursing privilege, which may include reprimand, probation, suspension, or revocation.

NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION: Charges Under the Nurse Practice Act Mary Honsinger, Multistate Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing

IF YOU DO NOT REQUEST A HEARING:

If you do not request a hearing in writing within 30 days of the date of this letter, you will have waived your opportunity for a hearing. Pursuant to the authority of § 8-316(a) and (b) of the Maryland Nurse Practice Act, §§10-210(4) and 10-221 of the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act, and COMAR 10.27.02.09, the Board may, in its discretion, issue a public Final Decision and Order by default, in which: (1) the allegations of fact in the enclosed Charges become findings of fact; (2) the section(s) of § 8-316(a) of the Maryland Nurse Practice Act that the Board has alleged you violated in the enclosed Charges become conclusions of law; and (3) a disciplinary sanction is ordered against your multistate nursing privilege, which may include reprimand, probation, suspension, or revocation.

Any decision made by the Board regarding the Charges could affect your multistate nursing privilege to practice as a registered nurse in the State of Maryland. Therefore, you are strongly urged to retain and be represented by an attorney in any proceeding before the Board. In order to appear on your behalf, your attorney must be admitted to the Bar in Maryland or specifically admitted pursuant to Maryland Rule 14 of the Maryland Rules governing admission to the Maryland Bar. Rule 14 governs special admission of out-of-state attorneys.

If you or your attorney have any questions about this letter or the enclosed Charges, or wish to see any other material in your Board file regarding this case, please contact **Denise McKoy at (410) 767-1384.**

Sincerely,

Patricia Ann Noble, MSN, RN, Executive Director

Maryland Board of Nursing

Enclosures:

Charges under the Maryland Nurse Practice Act

Request for Hearing form-

CC:

Denise McKoy, Assistant Attorney General, Administrative Prosecutor John Nugent, Principal Counsel, Health Occupations Prosecution & Litigation Sarah E. Pendley, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel IN THE MATTER OF

BEFORE THE MARYLAND

MARY HONSINGER

BOARD OF NURSING

MULTI-STATE LICENSING PRIVILEGE TO PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSING

OAG CASE No. 13 - BP = 317

CHARGES UNDER THE MARYLAND NURSE PRACTICE ACT

The Maryland Board of Nursing (the "Board") hereby charges the Multi-State Licensing Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing ("Privilege") of Mary Honsinger ("Respondent"), RN Virginia License Number 0001215408, pursuant to the Maryland Nurse Practice Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occupations Code Ann. ("Health Occ.") §§ 8-101 et seq. (2009 Repl. Vol. & 2012 Supp.).

The pertinent provisions of the Act are as follows:

medication:

- § 8-316 (a) In general. Subject to the hearing provisions of § 8-317 of this subtitle, the Board may...reprimand any licensee, place any licensee on probation, or suspend or revoke the license of a licensee if the... licensee:
- (8) Does an act that is inconsistent with the generally accepted professional standards in the practice of registered nursing;
- (20) Fails to cooperate with a lawful investigation conducted by the Board;
- (25) Engages in conduct that violates the professional code of ethics; to wit,
 Code of Maryland Regulations ("COMAR") 10.27.19.02 C. A nurse may not
 engage in behavior that dishonors the profession whether or not acting in the
 capacity or identity of a licensed nurse, including, but not limited to:
 (4) Diverting any medication or providing false or misleading information to
 an authorized prescriber or a pharmacist to obtain or attempt to obtain any

ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

The Board bases its charges on the following facts that the Board has cause to believe are true:

On September 15, 2008, Respondent was issued a license (License No. 0001215408) to practice as a registered nurse ("RN") in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Her Virginia license is active, with a compact status of "Multistate" and is scheduled to expire on January 31, 2014.

HOSPITAL

- On or about August 22, 2012, the Board received a complaint from Hospital, located in Maryland.
- 3. According to the complaint, while Respondent was employed at Hospital, through Agency, a Pyxis audit revealed that Respondent withdrew narcotics on several occasions with no physician orders, no documentation of administration, no medication wastage or any documentation that the medication was returned to the Pyxis.
- Respondent was scheduled to work at Hospital on: August 10, 2012 (7 pm to 7 am shift);
 August 11, 2012 (7 pm to 3 am shift); August 12, 2012 (11 am to 10 pm shift).
- 5. RN reported that she worked with Respondent on the night shift on August 11th and observed Respondent's behavior to be "sluggish, scattered and erratic at times." On one occasion, RN observed that, while Respondent was standing up and documenting at the

¹ The allegations set forth in this document are intended to provide the Respondent with notice of the alleged charges. They are not intended as, and do not necessarily represent, a complete description of the evidence, either documentary or testimonial, to be offered against the Respondent in connection with these charges.

² Under the Multi-state Licensure Compact ("Compact"), Maryland Nurse Practice Act § 8-7A-01, Virginia is a compact state and Respondent is allowed to practice under the multi-state licensing privilege in any State that is a party to the Compact. The State of Maryland is a party to the Compact.

- nurses station, Respondent began dozing off then quickly stood up "twirling her hair as if she had lost her train of thought."
- 6. RN also stated that she received report at 3 am and as Respondent was reporting off, Respondent offered to medicate and medicated one RN's patients, who was to receive morphine³ prior to discharge. Respondent then discharged the patient prior to RN evaluating the patient's pain relief.
- 7. RN observed Respondent hanging around the ER after she had given report on her patients. At 4:30 am, Respondent asked RN to witness the waste of Dilaudid⁴, which Respondent stated she had accidentally removed for one of her patients. The seal of the vial was observed to be broken and Respondent held the vial upside down so that RN could verify that there were 2 mls. of fluid in the vial but RN was not given the opportunity to examine the vial. Respondent then quickly discarded the vial in the sharps container.
- RN noticed that Respondent had already wasted Dilaudid on the same patient earlier in the shift. RN reported her suspicions to the Charge Nurse.
- A subsequent review of medical records and Pyxis narcotic transactions revealed multiple discrepancies.

Patient A

- Patient A was admitted to the ED on August 10, 2012 at 2012. On August 11, 2012 at 0226, Respondent removed one (1) Morphine 2 mg/ml carpuject from the Pyxis.
- 11. The patient did not have a doctor's order for any narcotics and there was no documentation that Morphine was administered to the patient.

³ A schedule II CDS.

⁴ The trade name for Hydromorphone HCl, a schedule II CDS.

Patient B

- 12. Patient B was admitted to the ED on August 10, 2012 at 2350. On August 11, 2012 at 0316, Respondent removed one (1) Hydromorphone 2 mg/ml carpuject.
- There was no doctor's order for Hydromorphone and Respondent documented she administered Dilaudid 2 mg IM at 0330.

Patient C

- 14. Patient C was admitted to the ED on August 11, 2012 at 2120. On August 12, 2012 at 0329, Respondent removed one (1) Hydromorphone 2 mg/ml carp. and at 0504, she documented that she wasted the 2 mg.
- 15. There was no doctor's order for Hydromorphone.

Patient D

- 16. Patient D was admitted to the ED on August 11, 2012 at 1620. On August 11, 2012 at 1739 and 1801, Respondent removed one (1) Hydromorphone 2 mg/ml carp.
- 17. There was no doctor's order for Hydromorphone.

Patient E

- Patient E was admitted to the ED on August 11, 2012 at 1645 and was transferred out of the ED at 2145. On August 11, 2012 at 2205, Respondent removed one (1) Hydromorphone 2 mg/ml carp.
- 19. There was no doctor's order for Hydromorphone and the patient had left the ED at the time the Hydromorphone was removed.

Patient F

- 20. Patient F was admitted to the ED on August 12, 2012 at 0213. On August 12, 2012 at 0331, Respondent removed one (1) Oxycodone with Tylenol (5 mg/325 mg) tablet.
- 21. There was no doctor's order for oxycodone tablet.

Patient G

- Patient G was admitted to the ED on August 12, 2012 at 1032. On August 12, 2012 at 1139, Respondent removed one (1) Hydromorphone 2 mg carp.
- 23. There was no doctor's order for Hydromorphone.

Patient H

- 24. Patient H was admitted to the ED on August 12, 2012 at 1114 and left the ED at 1815.
 The patient was ordered to receive Fentanyl 25 mcg IV at 1435 and 1500. Respondent documented that at 1450 and 1510, she administered Fentanyl 25 mcg IVP to the patient.
- 25. On August 12, 2012 at 1458 and 1512, Respondent removed one (1) Fentanyl 100 mcg ampule. On August 12, 2012 at 1943, Respondent documented twice that she wasted 75 mcg. of Fentanyl.
- 26. Respondent wasted 150 mcg of Fentanyl over four hours after the medication was withdrawn from the Pyxis and documented as administered and after the patient had left the ED.

Patient I

- 27. Patient I was admitted to the ED on August 12, 2012 at 1400.
- 28. On August 12, 2012 at 1457, Respondent removed one (1) Hydromorphone 2 mg/ml carp. The patient did not have a doctor's order for Hydromorphone and there is no documentation that the medication was administered.

Patient J

29. Patient J was admitted to the ED on August 12, 2012 at 0200. At 0309, the patient was ordered to receive Dilaudid 1 mg IM.

Honsinger, Mary: Multi-State Licensing RN Privilege (VA-0001215408)

- 30. On August 12, 2012 at 0330, Respondent removed one (1) Hydromorphone 2 mg/ml carp. At 0350, Respondent documented that she administered Dilaudid 2 mg IM to the patient.
- The patient was ordered to receive 1 mg of Dilaudid, Respondent removed 2 mg and documented she administered 2 mg of Dilaudid to the patient.
- On August 15, 2012, Hospital reported the suspected drug diversion to Agency. On August 27, 2012, Agency terminated Respondent's employment.

HOSPITAL B

- 33. During the course of the Board's investigation into the complaint submitted by Hospital, it was discovered that while Respondent was assigned to work at Hospital B, Respondent was reported to Agency for suspicions of diversion.
- 34. On or about May 15, 2012, the Director of Nursing Administration at Hospital B, located in Maryland, contacted Agency and reported that on May 15, 2012, Respondent removed nine (9) doses of Hydromorphone 2mg/ml syringes and three (3) doses of Morphine sulfate 4mg/ml syringes from the Omnicell. The medications were removed for one patient and doctors' orders did not support all the medications removed from the Omnicell.
- 35. It was further reported that the patient continued to have pain throughout Respondent's shift and once under the care of another nurse, the patient had pain relief with 1 mg Hydromorphone.
- Hospital B requested that Respondent not return to the facility.

Honsinger, Mary: Multi-State Licensing RN Privilege (VA-0001215408)

POSITIVE DRUG SCREEN

37. On August 1, 2012, Respondent submitted to a drug screen requested by Agency. The drug screen results were positive for amphetamines.

FAILURE TO COOPERATE WITH THE BOARD'S INVESTIGATION

- 38. On February 12th and 19th, 2013, the Board sent letters to Respondent, requesting that she contact the Board's investigator to discuss the complaint received from Hospital.

 Respondent did not respond to the letters.
- 39. On February 27, 2013, the Board issued a subpoena to Respondent, via certified mail, commanding Respondent to appear at the Board's offices on March 13, 2013 for an interview with the Board's investigator. The subpoena was returned to the Board by USPS and marked as "unclaimed."

NOTICE OF POSSIBLE SANCTIONS

If the Board finds that there are grounds for action under Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. § 8-316 (a) (8), (20) and (25), the Board may impose disciplinary sanctions against the Respondent's privilege, pursuant to COMAR 10.27.26, including reprimand, probation, suspension, revocation and/or the imposition of a fine.

February 13, 2014
Date

Patricia Ann Noble, MSN

Executive Director

Maryland Board of Nursing

IN THE MATTER OF BEFORE THE MARYLAND MARY HONSINGER BOARD OF NURSING MULTISTATE LICENSING PRIVILEGE* OAG CASE NO. 130BP-317 TO PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSING REQUEST FOR HEARING In order for the Board to schedule a hearing in your case, you must sign your name below, write in the date you signed your name and write in your current mailing address and phone number, and mail or fax to the Board on or before MARCH 17, 2014, to: Keva S. Jackson-McCoy, MSN, RN Director of Discipline and Rehabilitation Maryland Board of Na 4140 Patterson Ave Baltimore, Maryla FAX: (410) 2 I request that an evidentiary hearing bescheduled before the Board of Nursing. MARY HONSINGER Date Signed NOTE: After the Board receives this Request for Hearing form, a settlement conference will be scheduled to provide an opportunity for a resolution of this case without proceeding to an evidentiary hearing. Please print current mailing address, including zip code, and phone number below. Street Address

Street Address (continued- if extra space needed)

City

State

Zip Code

Phone number(s) (include area code)

IMPORTANT: YOU HAVE A CONTINUING DUTY TO NOTIFY THE BOARD IN WRITING OF ANY CHANGES TO YOUR MAILING ADDRESS SO THAT YOU RECEIVE ALL WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD REGARDING YOUR CASE.

RETURN THIS FORM NO LATER THAN MARCH 17, 2014