

**BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE: LISA MICHELLE TRUSLER, R.N.**  
**License Number: 0001-111949**  
**Case Number: 172500**

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**ORDER**

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**JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11), a panel of the Virginia Board of Nursing (“Board”) held a formal administrative hearing on May 19, 2016, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon Lisa Michelle Trusler's application for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Lisa Michelle Trusler, R.N. did not appear at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

**NOTICE**

By letter dated May 12, 2016, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Formal Hearing (“Notice”) to Ms. Trusler notifying her that a formal administrative hearing would be held on May 19, 2016. The Notice was sent by overnight mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board of Nursing.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Board adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and issues the Order contained herein.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Lisa Michelle Trusler, R.N. was issued license No. 0001-111949 to practice as a professional nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia on September 27, 1988. The Board placed Ms. Trusler on probation in 1991, and she was released from probation and issued an unrestricted license in

1998. Ms. Trusler's license expired in 2006 and was reinstated in 2014. Said license was mandatorily suspended pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409 by Order of the Department of Health Professions entered on February 10, 2016. Ms. Trusler's primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. Based upon the representations of Carla Boyd, Adjudication Specialist, and Commonwealth's Exhibit #1, the notice of Formal Administrative Hearing, Statement of Allegations and Affidavit of Mailing, the presiding officer ruled that adequate notice was provided to the applicant and the hearing proceeded in her absence.

3. By Order of the California Board of Nursing effective September 8, 2014, Ms. Trusler's registered nurse license was revoked and immediately stayed. Her license was then placed on probation for a period of three years subject to terms and conditions. The California Board then issued Ms. Trusler a restricted license to practice as a registered nurse.

4. On February 2, 2016, the California Board of Nursing accepted the voluntary surrender, in lieu of further disciplinary action, of Ms. Trusler's license to practice nursing in the State of California. This voluntary surrender of Ms. Trusler's California license formed the basis of the mandatory suspension of Ms. Trusler's Virginia license to practice professional nursing by the Virginia Department of Health Professions.

5. Ms. Trusler submitted an application for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing in Virginia, which was received by the Board on March 3, 2016. Ms. Trusler previously submitted an application for reinstatement of her license which was received by the Board on January 28, 2014.

6. On both her January 28, 2014, and her March 3, 2016, applications for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing, Ms. Trusler disclosed only one of her two convictions for misdemeanor DUI.

7. On Ms. Trusler's March 3, 2016, application for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing, she answered "no" to the question of whether she had been denied a license or certification in a health related field or jurisdiction. In fact, Ms. Trusler was denied a license to practice as a registered nurse by the California Board on March 18, 2014.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

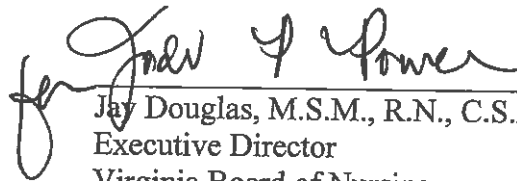
1. Finding of Fact Nos. 3 and 4 constitute a violation of Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(7).
2. Finding of Fact Nos. 6 and 7 constitute a violation of Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(1) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(1)(b) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing
3. Lisa Michelle Trusler has not demonstrated satisfactory evidence that she is prepared to resume practice in a safe and competent manner.

#### ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Virginia Board of Nursing hereby ORDERS that the application of Lisa Michelle Trusler for reinstatement of the license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is DENIED, due to a failure to obtain the affirmative vote for reinstatement of three-fourths of the members of the Board at the proceeding. Further, it is ORDERED that license be CONTINUED on INDEFINITE SUSPENSION. Should she petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether Lisa Michelle Trusler is able to return to the safe and competent practice of professional nursing.

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

ENTERED AND MAILED ON:

June 16, 2016

**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 Douglas, 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.

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By   
Virginia Board Of Nursing