BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

LISA MICHELLE TRUSLER, R.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT

License Number:

0001-111949

Suspension Date:

February 10, 2016

Case Number:

172500

NOTICE OF FORMAL ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING AND STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

You are hereby notified that a formal hearing has been scheduled before the Board of Nursing ("Board") regarding your application for reinstatement of your license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

TYPE OF PROCEEDING:	This is a formal administrative hearing before a panel of the Board of Nursing.
DATE AND TIME:	May 19, 2016 9:30 A.M.
PLACE:	Virginia Department of Health Professions Perimeter Center - 9960 Mayland Drive 2 nd Floor - Virginia Conference Center Henrico, Virginia 23233

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION:

- 1. This formal hearing is being held pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11). This proceeding will be convened as a public meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3700.
- 2. The burden rests on you, as the applicant, to demonstrate that you meet the requirements of Virginia Code § 54.1-2409(D) and 18 VAC 90-20-230(D) and (E) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.
- 3. In considering your application, the Board will consider evidence that grounds may exist to deny your application for reinstatement of your license to practice professional nursing, as more fully set out in the enclosed Statement of Allegations.
- 4. At the conclusion of the proceeding, the Board is authorized to take any of the following actions:
- Approve your application and issue an unrestricted license to practice professional nursing;
 - Approve your application and issue a restricted license subject to terms and conditions;

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- Deny your application;
- Deny your application and continue your license on indefinite suspension or revoke your license.

DEFAULT:

If you fail to appear at the formal hearing, the Board may proceed to hear this matter in your absence and may take any of the actions outlined above.

RESPONDENT'S LEGAL RIGHTS:

You have the right to the information on which the Board will rely in making its decision, to be represented by counsel at this proceeding, to subpoena witnesses and/or documents, and to present relevant evidence on your behalf.

COMMONWEALTH'S EXHIBIT:

Enclosed is a copy of the documents that will be distributed to the members of the Board and will be considered by the Board when discussing any allegations with you and when deliberating on your case. These documents are enclosed only with the notice sent by UPS. Please bring these documents with you to the formal hearing.

FILING DEADLINES:

- 1. Deadline for filing exhibits: May 13, 2016. Submit 15 copies of all documents you want the Board to consider to Darlene Graham, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233. Exhibits may not be sent by facsimile or e-mail.
- 2. Deadline for filing motions, including requests for continuance or objections to exhibits, in writing, to Darlene Graham at the above address: May 13, 2016. NOTE: Failure to object to the distribution prior to the proceeding will not affect your right to contest any information contained in these documents at the proceeding.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409(D), reinstatement of your license requires the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the Board in attendance at the hearing.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

The Board of Nursing alleges that grounds exist to refuse to reinstate the license of Lisa Michelle Trusler, R.N. to practice professional nursing in that:

- 1. Lisa Michelle Trusler, R.N., violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(7) in that:
- a. On March 18, 2014, the California Board of Registered Nursing ("California Board") denied Ms. Trusler's application for a registered nurse license on the basis of Ms. Trusler's 2002 misdemeanor DUI conviction in Virginia and the Virginia Board of Nursing's discipline on Ms. Trusler's license to practice professional nursing.
- b. By Order of the California Board, effective September 8, 2014, Ms. Trusler's registered nurse license was revoked and immediately stayed. Ms. Trusler's license was placed on probation for a period of three years subject to terms and conditions.
- c. On September 9, 2014, the California Board issued Ms. Trusler a restricted license to practice as a registered nurse.
- d. On December 30, 2015, Ms. Trusler surrendered her California registered nurse license in lieu of revocation for failure to comply with the terms and conditions of her probation as set by the California Board.
- 2. Lisa Michelle Trusler, R.N., violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(1) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(1)(b) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing ("Regulations") in that, on her applications for reinstatement submitted to the Board, she failed to provide complete and truthful information about the following:
- a. In Ms. Trusler's March 3, 2016 reinstatement application she failed to disclose that she had been denied a license to practice as a registered nurse by the California Board on March 18, 2014.

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b. In Ms. Trusler's March 3, 2016 reinstatement application she failed to disclose her second misdemeanor DUI conviction which occurred in 2003.

c. In Ms. Trusler's January 28, 2014 reinstatement application, she failed to disclose her second 2003 misdemeanor DUI conviction.

Jay Douglas, MSM

Executive Director

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