BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

MONICA ANNE MUNGO, R.N.

License Number: 0001-221894

Case Number: 171866

ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2408.1(A), a quorum of the Board of Nursing ("Board") met by

telephone conference call on May 17, 2016, after a good faith effort to convene a regular meeting of the

Board had failed. The purpose of the meeting was to receive and act upon information indicating that

Monica Anne Mungo, R.N., may have violated certain laws relating to the practice of professional

nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as more fully set forth in the attached Notice of Formal

Administrative Hearing and Statement of Allegations," which is attached hereto and incorporated by

reference herein.

WHEREUPON, pursuant to its authority under Virginia Code § 54.1-2408.1(A), the Board

concludes that a substantial danger to public health or safety warrants this action and ORDERS that the

license of Ms. Mungo, R.N. to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is

SUSPENDED. It is further ORDERED that a hearing be convened within a reasonable time of the date

of entry of this Order to receive and act upon evidence in this matter.

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 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 or copying on request.

FOR THE BOAR

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Executive Director

Virginia Board of Nursing

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a/k/a Monica Anne Pizarro

License Number:

0001-221894

Issue Date:

October 26, 2009

Expiration Date:

October 31, 2017

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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 license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

TYPE OF PROCEEDING:	This is a formal administrative hearing before a quorum of the Board of Nursing.
DATE AND TIME:	July 20, 2016 10:00 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. At the conclusion of the proceeding, the Board is authorized to take any of the following actions:
 - Exonerate you;
 - Reprimand you;
 - Require you to pay a monetary penalty;
 - Place you on probation and/or under terms and conditions;
 - Suspend your license;
 - Revoke your license.

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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 <u>only</u> with the notice sent by certified mail, which you may be required to claim at the post office. Please bring these documents with you to the formal hearing.

FILING DEADLINES:

- 1. Deadline for filing exhibits: **June 17, 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 motions for continuance or objections to exhibits, in writing, to Darlene Graham at the above address: **June 17, 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.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

The Board of Nursing alleges that:

- 1. At all times relevant hereto, Monica Anne Mungo, R.N. was licensed to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- 2. Monica Anne Mungo, R.N. violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(5) and (6) in that she is unsafe to practice professional nursing due to substance abuse, as evidenced by the following:
- a. During the course of her employment with Riverside Francis N. Sanders Nursing Home, Gloucester, Virginia, on or about January 30, 2016, Ms. Mungo was found face down on the medication cart by two EMTs who were delivering a patient. Ms. Mungo was moaning and crying, and smelled of alcohol. She appeared intoxicated and exhibited slurred speech and an unsteady gate. She admitted to the EMTs that she had consumed alcohol. Staff transported Ms. Mungo to the hospital where breath tests and a urine/drug screen for Ms. Mungo revealed a BAC of .184 and .162 and a positive result for opiates/oxycodone. Ms. Mungo told an investigator for the Department of Health Professions that while on duty she went to her car and consumed four shots of vodka. She stated she had not slept prior to beginning her shift. Ms. Mungo admitted to drinking two to three vodkas daily, but up to a fifth of vodka on non-work days. Ms. Mungo further stated she needs help.
- b. Ms. Mungo began attending IOP three times per week on or about February 8, 2016, but tested positive for amphetamines, barbiturates, and alcohol on that date. On March 8, 2016, Ms. Mungo tested positive for opiates/morphine, for which she did not have a prescription.
- c. Ms. Mungo's IOP counselor at Colonial Behavioral Health states that Ms. Mungo must be monitored and establish a more solid recovery before returning to nursing. Ms. Mungo has not enrolled in the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program.

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d. Ms. Mungo was convicted of driving under the influence on January 14, 2016 in the

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Circuit Court for Williamsburg/James City County, Virginia. The offense occurred on May 30, 2015.

Jay Douglas, M.

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Executive Director

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