

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: ASHLEY HENSLEY, R.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT
License No.: 0001-231467

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), Ashley Hensley, R.N., who, prior to its mandatory suspension by the Department of Health Professions on October 2, 2014, held License No. 0001-231467 to practice professional nursing in Virginia, is hereby given notice that a formal administrative hearing will be held in the presence of a panel of the Board of Nursing. The hearing will be held on September 17, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., at the offices of the Department of Health Professions, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia 23233, at which time Ms. Hensley will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

At the hearing, Ms. Hensley has the following rights, among others: the right to representation by counsel; the right to have witnesses subpoenaed and to present witnesses on her behalf; the right to present documentary evidence; and the right to cross-examine adverse witnesses. If Ms. Hensley desires any witnesses to appear on her behalf, she must notify the Director of Administrative Proceedings, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in accordance with the Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive and act upon Ms. Hensley’s application for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing in Virginia and to inquire into evidence that Ms. Hensley may have violated certain laws and regulations governing nursing practice in Virginia, as more fully set forth in the Statement of Particulars below.

The burden rests upon Ms. Hensley, as the applicant, to demonstrate that she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice of professional nursing in Virginia.

Pursuant to § 54.1-2409 of the Code, reinstatement of Ms. Hensley's license requires the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the Board in attendance at the hearing.

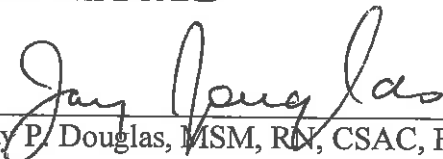
STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

The Board alleges that:

1. Ashley Hensley, R.N., may have violated § 54.1-3007(7) of the Code in that by Consent Order entered on February 12, 2014, by the Tennessee Board of Nursing, Ms. Hensley voluntarily surrendered her privilege to practice professional nursing in the State of Tennessee. This action was the result of Ms. Hensley being found in an impaired condition on or about November 10, 2012, while on duty at Holston Valley Medical Center, Kingsport, Tennessee.

2. Ms. Hensley may have violated § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code in that she may be unable to safely practice professional nursing due to substance abuse. By her own admission, Ms. Hensley began using drugs in 2010. She began taking Percocet 10mg, her drug of choice, every three to four hours, obtaining the narcotic medication from a family member. On or about February 9, 2015, Ms. Hensley tested positive for methamphetamine. Further, on or about July 25, 2015, Ms. Hensley entered into a Participation Contract with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program, where she acknowledged that she may suffer from the disease of alcohol or chemical dependency that could impair her ability to practice.

FOR THE BOARD



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ENTERED: September 1, 2015