

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: REBECCA D. BEISEL, R.N.
License No.: 0001-141759

ORDER

In accordance with §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021 and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), an informal conference was conducted on behalf of the Board of Nursing ("Board") on October 20, 2015, in Henrico County, Virginia. Ms. Beisel was present and was not represented by legal counsel. Judith Piersall, R.N., B.S.N., serving as Agency Subordinate for the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On January 27, 2016, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Beisel was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel.

Based upon its review of the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate, the Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and issues the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Rebecca D. Beisel, R.N. was issued License No. 0001-141759 to practice professional nursing in Virginia on February 3, 1995. The license is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2016. Ms. Beisel's primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. By letter dated September 22, 2015, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Beisel notifying her that an informal conference would be held on October 20, 2015. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 580 David Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing.

3. During the course of her employment with Martha Jefferson Hospital, Charlottesville, Virginia, from November 2014 through January 8, 2015, Ms. Beisel diverted hydromorphone (C-II) on

multiple occasions from the supplies of several patients for her personal and unauthorized use. Ms. Beisel accomplished this diversion by documenting administration of the medication to the patients and taking the medication home for self-administration.

4. As a result of these incidents, Ms. Beisel's employment was terminated.

5. Ms. Beisel enrolled in the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP") and signed a participation contract on March 31, 2015. Ms. Beisel was diagnosed with a medical condition and submitted her resignation from the program, which the HPMP accepted effective July 15, 2015.

6. At the informal conference, Ms. Beisel stated that she was not unsafe to practice due to substance abuse, but was unsafe to practice at the current time due to the effects of her medical treatment. Ms. Beisel brought a letter from her physician stating that Ms. Beisel was experiencing chemotherapy-induced cognitive impairment, short-term memory loss, and neuropathy in her hands.

7. Ms. Beisel stated that she wished to voluntarily surrender her license for indefinite suspension and signed a written statement to that effect.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (5), (6), and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) and (e) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. The Board ACCEPTS the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER for INDEFINITE SUSPENSION of Rebecca D. Beisel's license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

2. The license will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.

3. At such time as Ms. Beisel shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, an

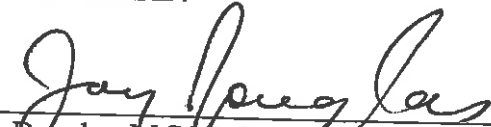
administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice of professional nursing. Ms. Beisel shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

4. This suspension applies to any multistate privilege to practice professional nursing.

Pursuant to § 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.

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400(10) of the Code, Ms. Beisel may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on March 16, 2016, notify Jay P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in writing that she desires a formal administrative hearing before the Board. Upon the filing with the Executive Director of a request for the hearing, this Order shall be vacated.


FOR THE BOARD:


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

ENTERED: February 12TH, 2016

This Order shall become final on March 16, 2016, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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