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December 3, 2015

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CERTIFIED MAIL

**DUPLICATE COPY
VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL**

DATE 12/3/15

RE: License No.: 0001-101873

Dear Ms. Corbett:

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), you are hereby given notice that your license to practice nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been mandatorily suspended by the enclosed Order entered December 3, 2015. You are hereby advised that, pursuant to Section 54.1-2409.1 of the Code, any person who practices a profession or occupation after having their license or certificate to do so suspended shall be guilty of a felony. Please return your license to Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director of the Virginia Board of Nursing, at the above address, immediately upon receipt of this letter.

Section 54.1-2409 of the Code further provides that you may apply to the Board of Nursing ("Board") for reinstatement of your license, and shall be entitled to a hearing not later than the next regular meeting of the Board after the expiration of sixty days from the receipt of such reinstatement application. You have the following rights, among others: to be represented by legal counsel, to have witnesses subpoenaed on your behalf, to present documentary evidence and to cross-examine adverse witnesses. The reinstatement of your license shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members present of the Board of Nursing.

Should you wish to petition the Board of Nursing for reinstatement of your license, contact Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, at the above address or (804) 367-4599.

Sincerely,

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David E. Brown, D.C., Director
Department of Health Professions

Enclosures
Case # 170389

VA BD OF NURSING

VIRGINIA

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

IN RE: SANDRA GRUVER CORBETT, R.N.
License No.: 0001-101873

ORDER

In accordance with Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director, of the Virginia Department of Health Professions, received and acted upon evidence that the license of Sandra Gruver Corbett, R.N., to practice nursing in the State of Texas was revoked by an Opinion and Order of the Board entered October 22, 2015. A certified copy of Opinion and Order of the Board is attached to this Order and is marked as Commonwealth's Exhibit No. 1.

WHEREFORE, by the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, it is hereby ORDERED that the privilege of Sandra Gruver Corbett, R.N., to renew her license to practice nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia be, and hereby is, SUSPENDED.

Upon entry of this Order, the license of Sandra Gruver Corbett, R.N., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current. Should Ms. Corbett seek reinstatement of her license pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of her license prior to issuance of her license to resume practice.

Pursuant to Sections 2.2-4023 and 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.



David E. Brown, D.C., Director
Department of Health Professions

ENTERED: 12/3/15



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CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS

I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Department of Health Professions, hereby certify that the attached Opinion and Order of the Board entered October 22, 2015, regarding Sandra Gruver Corbett, R.N., is a true copy of the records received from the State of Texas, Board of Nursing.

David E. Brown, D.C.

Date: 12/31/15

DOCKET NUMBER 507-15-2527



I do hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.
Executive Director of the Board

IN THE MATTER OF § BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE §
NUMBER 797157, § OF
ISSUED TO §
SANDRA GRUVER CORBETT § ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

OPINION AND ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: SANDRA GRUVER CORBETT
7145 HUNTERS RIDGE DRIVE NE
LELAND, NC 28451

TOMMY L. BROYLES
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
300 WEST 15TH STREET
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

At the regularly scheduled public meeting on October 22-23, 2015, the Texas Board of Nursing (Board) considered the following items: (1) Order No. 1, *Dismissing Case*, issued by the ALJ in the above cited matter; (2) Staff's recommendation that the Board revoke the Respondent's registered nursing license by default; and (3) Respondent's recommendation to the Board regarding the above cited matter, if any.

On July 8, 2015, the ALJ convened a hearing on the merits in this matter. Staff of the Board was present for the hearing. However, the Respondent was not present at the hearing, and no one appeared on her behalf. During the hearing on July 8, 2015, Staff introduced evidence into the record demonstrating that Respondent had been sent a Notice of Hearing by first class certified mail return receipt requested to her last known address of record maintained by the Board in accordance with 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.10(a). The ALJ found that Staff's notice was adequate and issued Order No. 1, *Dismissing Case*, granting Staff's Motion for Default and dismissing the case from the docket of SOAH and remanding it to the Board for informal disposition on a default basis in accordance with the Government Code §2001.056.

The Board, after review and due consideration of the Order No. 1, issued by the ALJ in the above cited matter, finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with the Government Code §2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Occupations Code Chapter 301 (Nursing Practice Act) for retention of Respondent's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas. The Board further finds that the First Amended Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with the Occupations Code §301.458. The Board further finds that proper and timely notice regarding the violations alleged in the First Amended Formal Charges was given to Respondent in accordance with the requirements of the Government Code §2001.051 and §2001.052 and 1 Tex. Admin. Code §155.501. The Board further finds that the Respondent failed to appear in accordance with 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 213 and 1 Tex. Admin. Code §155.501. As a result of the Respondent's failure to



appear, the Board has determined that the factual allegations listed in the First Amended Formal Charges are to be deemed admitted by default and the Board is authorized to enter a default order against the Respondent pursuant to the Government Code §2001.056 and 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.22. Further, the Board has determined that it is entitled to revoke the Respondent's registered nursing license pursuant to 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.33(m).

Therefore, the Board hereby adopts the factual allegations, which have been deemed admitted, and the conclusions of law contained in the First Amended Formal Charges, which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference for all purposes, and Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This Order will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing in accordance with the Government Code Chapter 2001 and 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.23(l), as applicable. All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order. All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically adopted herein are hereby denied.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED THAT Permanent Certificate Number 797157, previously issued to SANDRA GRUVER CORBETT, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multi-state privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

FURTHER, pursuant to the Occupations Code §301.467, RESPONDENT is not eligible to petition for reinstatement of licensure until at least one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order. Further, upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT must satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

Entered this 22nd day of October, 2015.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE BOARD

Attachment: First Amended Formal Charges

In the Matter of
Permanent Registered Nurse
License Number 797157
Issued to SANDRA GRUVER CORBETT,
Respondent

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BEFORE THE TEXAS
BOARD OF NURSING

FIRST AMENDED FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, SANDRA GRUVER CORBETT, is a Registered Nurse holding License Number 797157, which is in current status at the time of this pleading.

~~Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged to warrant adverse licensure action was sent to Respondent at Respondent's address of record and Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license prior to commencement of this proceeding.~~

CHARGE I.

On or about March 7, 2013, while employed with Memorial Hermann, The Woodlands, Respondent withdrew Morphine 4mg/ml from the Pyxis medication dispensing system for Patient Number 399448847500, but failed to follow the facility's policy and procedure regarding wastage of any of the unused portions of the medication, as follows:

Date/Time	Patient	Medication	Physician's Orders	Medication Administration Record (MAR)	Wastage
03/07/2013 21:06 (1)	399448847500	Morphine 4mg/ml q	Morphine Sulfate PF 4mg/ml CARP 2mg/0.5ml IV q 2hrs prn pain	21:16 2mg IV	None

Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the hospital pharmacy and place them in violation of Chapter 481 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act).

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(4),(10)(C)&(11)(B).

CHARGE II.

On or about April 11, 2013, and April 12, 2013, while employed with Memorial Hermann, The Woodlands, Respondent lacked fitness to practice professional nursing in that her speech was slow and slurred, she staggered when she walked, wasn't focused, and kept her eyes closed during conversation. Respondent's conduct could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patients in potential danger.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B),(4)&(5).

CHARGE III.

On or about April 12, 2013, while employed with Memorial Hermann, The Woodlands, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of Barbiturates, in that she produced a urine specimen for a drug screen that resulted positive for Barbiturates. Possession of Barbiturates, without a valid prescription, is prohibited by Chapter 481 of the Texas Health & Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act). The use of Barbiturates by a Registered Nurse, while subject to call or duty, could impair the nurse's ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in the patient's condition, and could ~~impair the nurse's ability to make rational accurate and appropriate assessments, judgments, and~~ decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(9)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(4),(5),(10)(A),(10)(D)&(11)(B).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license/s to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301, Texas Occupations Code and the Board's rules, 22 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 213.27 - 213.33. Additionally, staff will seek to impose on Respondent the administrative costs of the proceeding pursuant to Section 301.461, Texas Occupations Code. The cost of proceedings shall include, but is not limited to, the cost paid by the Board to the State Office of Administrative Hearings and the Office of the Attorney General or other Board counsel for legal and investigative services, the cost of a court reporter and witnesses, reproduction of records, Board staff time, travel, and expenses. These shall be in an amount of at least one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200.00).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on Adopted Disciplinary Sanction Policies for Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder, which can be found at the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

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NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, which can be found at www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/discp-matrix.html.

Filed this 5th day of February, 2015.

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