VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

KRISTA SCHOFIELD, C.N.A. Certificate No.: 1401-126021

<u>ORDER</u>

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 13, 2015, in Henrico County, Virginia. Krista Schofield, C.N.A., was present and was not represented by legal counsel. Jane Elliott, R.N., Ph.D., serving as Agency Subordinate for the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On November 18, 2015, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Ms. Schofield 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. Krista Schofield, C.N.A., was issued Certificate No. 1401-126021 to practice as a nurse aide in Virginia on August 23, 2008. The certificate is scheduled to expire on August 31, 2016. By Consent Order of the Board entered on October 15, 2014, Ms. Schofield was reprimanded and she was continued on indefinite probation for failing to submit to drug or alcohol screens between December 2013 and July 2014.
- 2. By letter dated September 10, 2015, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Schofield notifying her that an informal conference would be held on October 13, 2015. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 3919 Ladbroke Court,

Richmond, Virginia 23234, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. By letter dated October 13, 2015, the Board delivered an Amended Notice to Ms. Schofield.

- 3. On February 9, 2015, the Board received a letter from Ms. Schofield requesting release from probation.
- 4. A prescription monitoring report for the period August 1, 2013 to June 16, 2015, indicated that between June 22, 2014 and September 5, 2014, Ms. Schofield received four prescriptions for oxycodone and two prescriptions for hydrocodone (both CII). Ms. Schofield received these prescriptions after a fall resulting in an orbital fracture. Ms. Schofield had reported to the emergency room at Chippenham Hospital and was then sent to MCV Hospital where there was a specialist. Ms. Schofield has several surgeries for the fracture. She failed to have written reports of these prescriptions submitted by the prescriber. Further, Ms. Schofield failed to list said prescriptions on her quarterly self-reports.
- 5. Prior to the Informal Conference and at the Informal Conference, Ms. Schofield provided copies of her medical records documenting the prescriptions. Ms. Schofield stated that although she had the prescriptions filled, she did not take any of the medications and used over-the-counter medications for pain. Ms. Schofield also stated that she did not list the prescriptions on her quarterly self-reports because she had become accustomed to completing the forms in this manner by checking no to the inquiry.
- 6. Ms. Schofield provided a sobriety date of August 3, 2011. She attends Alcoholics Anonymous or Narcotics Anonymous three times a week. All drug screens have been negative.
- 7. Ms. Schofield accepted responsibility for her past actions. She has since gone back to all of her healthcare providers and told them that she is an addict and requested copies of her medical records.
 - 8. Ms. Schofield is on full disability and continues to see her psychiatrist. She has been

employed part-time, 27 hours a week, with CareMed, Inc., since July 12, 2013, and has one home health client.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Finding of Fact No. 4 constitutes a violation of Term No. 2(f) of the Consent Order entered October 15, 2014.
 - 2. Krista Schofield, C.N.A., has satisfied the terms of her probation.

<u>ORDER</u>

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Krista Schofield, C.N.A., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
- 2. Ms. Schofield's request for release from probation is GRANTED.
- 3. Ms. Schofield shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a nurse aide commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 et seq. of the Code and the Regulations Governing Certified Nurse Aides.

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. Schofield may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on **January 8, 2015**, 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 he/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.

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FOR THE BOARD:

Say P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.

Executive Director

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This Order shall become final on **January 8, 2015**, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.