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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING VA BD OF NURSING

**IN RE: ABIGAIL ABBOUD, L.P.N.
License No.: 0002-074240**

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Abigail Abboud, L.P.N., as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Abboud's license to practice practical nursing in Virginia.

The Board adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Abigail Abboud, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-074240 to practice practical nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on August 28, 2006. Said license is set to expire on January 31, 2016, and is valid in Virginia only. Ms. Abboud also holds License No. PN5206594 to practice practical nursing in Florida, which expired on July 31, 2013. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. By Consent Order of the Board entered on June 29, 2010, the Board took no action against Ms. Abboud contingent upon her continued compliance with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP"). Said action was based on findings that Ms. Abboud diverted Dilaudid (hydromorphone, C-II) and admitted to having a substance abuse problem.
3. Ms. Abboud entered the HPMP on November 29, 2009. In a report dated January 7, 2015, the HPMP informed the Board that in February 2011, Ms. Abboud moved to Georgia. On August 24, 2012, Ms. Abboud enrolled in the Florida Intervention Project for Nurses. Ms. Abboud tested positive for alcohol on October 17, 2013, and successfully completed residential treatment on November 4, 2013. On April 1, 2014, Ms. Abboud moved back to Virginia. She tested positive for alcohol on December 8, 2014, and her HPMP

contract was extended one year. Ms. Abboud was given until December 26, 2014, to provide a date of entry into residential treatment, which she failed to do. Ms. Abboud was dismissed from the HPMP on January 26, 2015, for continued use of alcohol and failure to enter and complete treatment as recommended.

4. Although Ms. Abboud was approved to look for nursing employment by the HPMP, she has not practiced nursing since she entered the program in 2009.

5. On June 22, 2015, during an interview with an investigator from the Department of Health Professions, Ms. Abboud confirmed that she is currently residing in Virginia and has pursued a different career path. Ms. Abboud also stated that she did not wish to participate any further in the investigation.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), and Term No. 2 of the Consent Order entered June 29, 2010.

CONSENT

Abigail Abboud, L.P.N., by affixing her signature hereon, agrees to the following:

1. She has been advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document;
2. She acknowledges that without her consent, no legal action can be taken against her except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, § 2.2-4000(A) *et seq.* of the Code;
3. She acknowledges that she has the following rights, among others: the right to an informal fact finding conference before the Board, the right to reasonable notice of said hearing, the right to representation by counsel, and the right to cross-examine witnesses against her;
4. She waives all such right to an informal conference;
5. She admits to the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein and waives her right to contest such Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in any subsequent proceeding before the Board;

6. She consents to the entry of the following Order affecting her right to practice practical nursing in Virginia.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, the Virginia Board of Nursing, effective upon entry of this Order, and in lieu of further proceedings, hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Abigail Abboud, L.P.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. License No. 0002-074240 of Abigail Abboud, L.P.N., is INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.
3. The license will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.
4. At such time as Ms. Abboud 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 practical nursing. Ms. Abboud 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.
5. This suspension applies to any multistate privilege to practice practical nursing.

Pursuant to §§ 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 public record and shall be made available for public inspection or copying upon request.

FOR THE BOARD



Joyce A. Hahn, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FNAP
President, Virginia Board of Nursing

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SEEN AND AGREED TO:

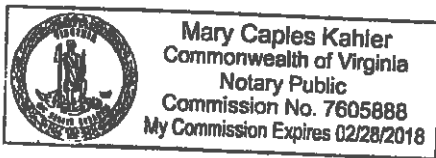
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Abigail Abboud, L.P.N.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
COUNTY/CITY OF Suffolk, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Mary Caples Kahler, a Notary Public, this 1st day of October, 2015.

My commission expires 02/28/2018.

Registration Number 7605888.



Mary Caples Kahler
NOTARY PUBLIC

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Virginia Board of Nursing