

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: STEPHANIE MORRIS, L.P.N.
License No.: 0002-084263

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”), Stephanie Morris, L.P.N., who holds License No. 0002-084263 to practice practical nursing in Virginia, which expires on September 30, 2016, 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 16, 2015, at 2:00 p.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. Morris will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

At the hearing, Ms. Morris 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. Morris 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 inquire into evidence that Ms. Morris may have violated certain laws and regulations governing practical nursing practice in Virginia, as more fully set forth in the Statement of Particulars below.

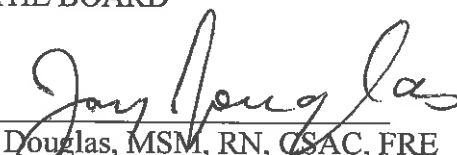
STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

The Board alleges that:

1. Stephanie Morris, L.P.N., may have violated § 54.1-3007(2), (5), (6), and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing in that during the course of her employment with Central Virginia Baptist Hospital, Lynchburg, Virginia, in or about August 2014, by her own admission, she diverted multiple medications for her personal and unauthorized use, including clonazepam (Schedule IV), oxycodone (Schedule II), methadone (Schedule II), lorazepam (Schedule IV), and tramadol (Schedule IV), oxycontin (Schedule II), alprazolam (Schedule IV), hydrocodone (Schedule III), and zolpidem tartrate (Schedule IV).

2. Ms. Morris may be in violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code in that she may be unable to safely practice practical nursing due to substance abuse, as evidenced by her admitted diversion and her statement to her employer that she had a substance abuse problem.

FOR THE BOARD


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Executive Director for the
Board of Nursing

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