

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: MELISSA D. STEVENS, L.P.N.
License No.: 0002-067082

CONSENT ORDER

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

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Melissa D. Stevens, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-067082 to practice practical nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on September 11, 2003. Said license is set to expire on July 31, 2017. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. During the course of her employment as a practical nurse at Carilion Clinic Family Medicine – North Roanoke, Roanoke, Virginia, on February 3, 2009, Ms. Stevens reviewed the medical record of a patient she was not treating and whose record she was not authorized to review.
3. As a result of the incident, Ms. Stevens' employment was terminated.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board concludes that finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2) and (5) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), and 18 VAC-90-20-300(A)(2)(m) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.

CONSENT

Melissa D. Stevens, 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. Melissa D. Stevens, L.P.N. is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. Ms. Stevens shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a practical nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

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

for Gloria Mitchell-Lively
Jay P. Douglas, M.S.M., L.P.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.
Executive Director, Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: September 30, 2015

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Melissa Stevens
Melissa D. Stevens, L.P.N.

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me, September Dora Hamm Notary Public, this 15th day of September, 2015.

My commission expires 09-30-19

Registration Number 7640084

Dora Hamm
NOTARY PUBLIC

Certified True Copy

By M. Banker
Virginia Board of Nursing

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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 09-30-19