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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

VA BD OF NURSING

IN RE: **TOWANDA PITTMAN (MCLEOD), R.N.**
a/k/a TOWANDA McLEOD
License No.: 0001-223062

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Towanda Pittman, R.N., as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Pittman's license to practice professional nursing in Virginia.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Towanda Pittman, R.N. was issued License No. 0001-223062 to practice professional nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on February 8, 2010. Said license expired on March 31, 2015, was renewed on April 7, 2015, and is now set to expire on March 31, 2017. Ms. Pittman's primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. During the course of her employment with Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital, Richmond, Virginia ("St. Mary's Hospital"), on April 2 and April 4, 2015, Ms. Pittman practiced professional nursing on an expired license.

3. As a result of this incident, Ms. Pittman's employment with St. Mary's Hospital was terminated on April 7, 2015.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of §§ 54.1-3007(3), 54.1-3008(A)(2) and 54.1-3011(C) of the Code of Virginia, (1950), as amended ("Code").

CONSENT

Towanda Pittman, R.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 professional 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. Towanda Pittman, R.N. shall pay a MONETARY PENALTY of \$100.00 to the Board within 90 days of the entry of this Order.
2. Ms. Pittman shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a professional nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

3. Any violation of the terms and conditions of this Order or of any law or regulation affecting the practice of professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia shall constitute grounds for the suspension or revocation of the license of Towanda Pittman, R.N. and an administrative proceeding shall be convened to determine whether such license shall be suspended or revoked.

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

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

ENTERED: August 19, 2015

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Towanda Pittman, RN
TOWANDA PITTMAN, R.N.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
COUNTY/CITY OF Colonial Heights TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Emily Ferguson Guthrie, a Notary Public, this 11th day of August, 2015

My commission expires 12-31-2018

Registration Number 71607284

Emily Ferguson Guthrie
f/k/a Emily Ann Ferguson
NOTARY PUBLIC



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By: [Signature]
Virginia Board of Nursing