

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: HEATHER E. SHARP, L.P.N.
License No.: 0002-090855

CONSENT ORDER

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

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Heather E. Sharp, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-090855 to practice practical nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on June 5, 2014. Said license is set to expire on April 30, 2016. Ms. Sharp's primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. On her application for licensure as a practical nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia, dated March 31, 2014, Ms. Sharp falsely answered "no" to the question pertaining to prior criminal convictions, when, in fact, on January 7, 2013, Ms. Sharp was convicted of one count of misdemeanor reckless driving in the County of Fairfax, Virginia, General District Court.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of §54.1-3007(1) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(1)(b) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing ("Regulations").

CONSENT

Heather E. Sharp, 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. Heather E. Sharp, L.P.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. Within 60 days from the date of entry of this Order, Ms. Sharp shall provide written proof satisfactory to the Board of successful completion of the following NCSBN courses: “Ethics of Nursing Practice” and “Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses.” These courses shall not be credited toward the continued competency requirements for the next renewal of her license.
3. Ms. Sharp 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.

4. Any violation of the terms and conditions of this Order or of any law or regulation affecting the practice of nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia shall constitute grounds for the suspension or revocation of the license of Heather E. Sharp 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

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

ENTERED: August 4th, 2015

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Heather E. Sharp, L.P.N.
Heather E. Sharp, L.P.N.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, Maryland
COUNTY/CITY OF Montgomery, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Robin C. Hinkle, a Notary Public, this 27th day of July, 2015

My commission expires April 11, 2019.

Registration Number _____

Certified True Copy

By [Signature]
Virginia Board of Nursing

Robin Hinkle
NOTARY PUBLIC