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February 4, 2015

DeLontea Antonia Rinehart  
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Charleston, WV 25314

CERTIFIED MAIL

DUPLICATE COPY  
VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

DATE 2/4/15

RE: License No.: 0001-207615

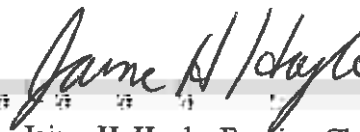
Dear Ms. Rinehart:

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), you are hereby given notice that your license to practice nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been mandatorily suspended by the enclosed Order entered February 4, 2015. You are hereby advised that, pursuant to Section 54.1-2409.1 of the Code, any person who practices a profession or occupation after having their license or certificate to do so suspended shall be guilty of a felony. Please return your license to Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director of the Virginia Board of Nursing, at the above address, immediately upon receipt of this letter.

Section 54.1-2409 of the Code further provides that you may apply to the Board of Nursing ("Board") for reinstatement of your license, and shall be entitled to a hearing not later than the next regular meeting of the Board after the expiration of sixty days from the receipt of such reinstatement application. You have the following rights, among others: to be represented by legal counsel, to have witnesses subpoenaed on your behalf, to present documentary evidence and to cross-examine adverse witnesses. The reinstatement of your license shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members present of the Board of Nursing.

Should you wish to petition the Board of Nursing for reinstatement of your license, contact Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, at the above address or (804) 367-4599.

Sincerely,



Jaime H. Hoyle, Esquire, Chief Deputy Director  
Department of Health Professions

Enclosures  
Case # 160327

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

**IN RE: DELONTEA ANTONIA RINEHART, R.N.  
License No.: 0001-207615**

**ORDER**

In accordance with Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), I, Jaime H. Hoyle, Esquire, Chief Deputy Director of the Virginia Department of Health Professions, received and acted upon evidence that the license of DeLontea Antonia Rinehart, R.N., to practice nursing in the State of West Virginia was suspended by a Letter of Suspension dated November 13, 2014. A certified copy of the Letter of Suspension (with attachment) is attached to this Order and is marked as Commonwealth's Exhibit No. 1.

WHEREFORE, by the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, it is hereby ORDERED that the license of DeLontea Antonia Rinehart, R.N., to practice nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia be, and hereby is, **SUSPENDED**.

Upon entry of this Order, the license of DeLontea Antonia Rinehart, R.N., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current. Should Ms. Rinehart seek reinstatement of her license pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of her license prior to issuance of her license to resume practice.

Pursuant to Sections 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 a public record and shall be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

  
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Jaime H. Hoyle, Esquire, Chief Deputy Director  
Department of Health Professions

ENTERED: 2/4/2015



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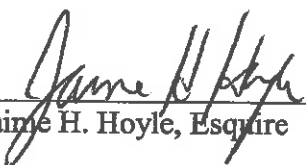
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### CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS

I, Jaime H. Hoyle, Esquire, Chief Deputy Director of the Department of Health Professions, hereby certify that the attached Letter of Suspension (with attachment) dated November 13, 2014, regarding DeLontea Antonia Rinehart, R.N., is a true copy of the records received from the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses.

  
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Jaime H. Hoyle, Esquire

Date: 2/4/2015

Laura S. Rhodes, M.S.N., R.N.  
Executive Director

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES  
101 Dee Drive, Suite 102  
Charleston, WV 25311-1620

November 13, 2014

DELONTEA A RINEHART  
1800 ROUNDHILL RD  
APT 902  
CHARLESTON WV 25314-

Re: Suspension  
License No. 86635

Dear Ms. RINEHART:

This letter is to inform you your license to practice registered professional nursing is **SUSPENDED**. Return the license presently in your possession to this office immediately in the envelope enclosed.

Board records indicate your license lapsed on October 31, 2014. Therefore you violated your probation consent agreement.

Your license is **SUSPENDED** and will be reported as such upon inquiry to this office. You may not practice as a registered professional nurse in the State of West Virginia without a valid active license to do so.

Refer to the section Violation of Terms found on page four (4) of the Consent Agreement for information regarding the reinstatement of your license.

Should you have any questions or desire further information please contact this office and speak with me.

For the Board,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura Skidmore Rhodes".

Laura Skidmore Rhodes, RN, MSN  
Executive Director

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**WEST VIRGINIA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS  
FOR REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSES**

**In the Matter of DELONTEA A RINEHART**

**PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENT**

Comes now Delontea A Rinehart ("Rinehart) and the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses ("Board"), for the purpose of determining what disciplinary action should be taken against Rinehart by the Board pursuant to West Virginia Code § 30-7-1, et seq. (1993). As reflected in this document, Rinehart has admitted to the stipulations set forth herein, and moves the Board consider these stipulations and the terms of the accompanying proposed agreement, and enter an ORDER accepting the proposed terms set forth below.

In offering this proposal for settlement of the complaint against Temporary Permit Number 014911 Rinehart acknowledges that the Board may reject this proposal, and may hold a hearing to impose revocation or other conditions of a disciplinary nature as it deems appropriate.

**STIPULATIONS**

1. Rinehart submitted an Endorsement Application to the Board on or about June 22, 2012.
2. Rinehart was subsequently issued Temporary Permit Number 014911 (TP) on June 22, 2012.
3. Board records indicate Rinehart's TP expired on December 19, 2012.
4. Rinehart continued to practice as a registered professional nurse in the state of West Virginia after December 19, 2012.
5. Rinehart admits the above stipulations are true.
6. Rinehart admits that her conduct violated West Virginia Code § 30-7-11 (g), which states that the licensee may be disciplined if she "(g)[i]s practicing or attempting to practice registered professional nursing without a license or registration."

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses concludes that the stipulations support the sanction of disciplinary action pursuant to West Virginia Code § 30-7-1 et seq. pertaining to the practice of registered professional nursing.

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Delontea Rinehart

Specifically, the stipulations support sanctions under the following sections of the West Virginia Code:

a. West Virginia Code §30-7-11 (g), which states that a licensee may be disciplined upon proof that he or she [i]s practicing or attempting to practice registered professional nursing without a license or registration.

**CONSENT**

Rinehart by fixing her signature hereon, agrees to the following:

1. She acknowledges that she is aware of her option to retain legal counsel and to be represented by legal counsel at a formal hearing before the Board.
2. She intelligently and voluntarily waives her right to a formal hearing before the Board in this matter, if the Board accepts the terms and conditions set forth herein and joins with her in executing this agreement.
3. She acknowledges that she is fully aware that without her consent, no legal action can be taken against her by this Board, except pursuant to West Virginia Code § 30-7-1 et seq. and relevant rules.
4. She submits this proposed agreement freely and voluntarily and not under duress, restraint or compulsion.
5. She agrees that the Board may investigate her background at any time during the term of this agreement.
6. She consents to the entry of the following order affecting her license to practice registered professional nursing in the State of West Virginia.
7. She understands that the Board may accept or reject the facts and terms set forth in this proposed agreement, and may impose revocation or other conditions of a disciplinary nature as are deemed appropriate.

**ORDER**

On the basis of the foregoing, the Board hereby ORDERS that license number issued to Rinehart, be suspended for the period of one (1) year. Such suspension is hereby stayed contingent upon Rinehart complying with the terms set forth below, and the license number issued to Rinehart is placed on

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probation for a period of one (1) year employment as a registered professional nurse. The computation of such period is to begin on the date on which notice is received in the office of the Board that Rinehart employed as a registered professional nurse and shall run only during such time that she is employed as a registered professional nurse on at least a permanent part-time basis (forty hours every two weeks) or full time basis. The Board also ORDERS Rinehart pay a fine and administrative costs in the amount of one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,400.00).

To receive and maintain a probationary license, regardless of employment status, Rinehart shall meet the following conditions:

**Terms:**

1. Rinehart shall not violate the provisions of West Virginia Code § 30-7-1 et seq.
2. Rinehart shall not commit any act which would be a crime under West Virginia or federal law. If Rinehart is charged by any law enforcement agency with committing any such criminal act, she shall notify the Board in writing of the formal charge(s) against her, and resolution of same.
3. Rinehart shall maintain a current and active license in the State of West Virginia. She shall not allow her license to lapse or be placed on an inactive status.
4. Rinehart shall not, under any circumstances, misrepresent her licensure status.
5. Rinehart shall inform the Board in writing within ten (10) days of the date she assumes the practice of registered professional nursing, or any employment in the health care field, in the State of West Virginia and shall include the name, address, and telephone number of her employer. She shall provide in writing the name of her immediate registered professional nurse supervisor. Rinehart shall inform the Board of any interruption in nursing practice or change in employment within ten (10) days of such interruption or change.
6. Rinehart shall immediately inform her nursing employer, any prospective nursing employer, and the director of any nursing education program in which she enrolls or teaches, that the Board has placed her license on probation, and shall provide a complete copy of this agreement to her

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employer(s). The Board may provide her employer(s) with a copy of this agreement and may communicate with her employer(s).

7. Rinehart shall, within ten (10) days of employment or continuation of practice, cause her employer or immediate registered professional nurse supervisor, to notify the Board, in writing, of the employer or supervisor's receipt of a copy of this agreement. Rinehart shall further cause her employer or supervisor to submit quarterly reports to the Board describing Rinehart's job performance, attendance, and attitude.

8. Rinehart shall submit documentation of fifteen (15) contact hours of continuing education in ethics during the time her license is on probation in addition to those that are required by law.

9. Rinehart shall report in person for appointment with the Board staff upon request.

10. Rinehart shall annually submit to the Board a written personal statement. The statement shall be due at the end of the first year and in each subsequent year during the month in which this agreement is accepted by the Board.

11. Rinehart shall execute a release to permit the Board to obtain medical or other health care records, which may be requested at any time while her license is on probation, regarding her physical or mental health and any treatment rendered.

**Violation of Terms:**

12. Any deviation from these requirements without prior written consent of the Board shall constitute a violation of this Order, and result in immediate suspension of Rinehart's probationary license.

13. The Board shall immediately notify Rinehart via certified mail of the specific nature of the charges, and the suspension of her license.

a. Rinehart may request reinstatement of her probationary license through renewal of this agreement, or execution of a new agreement, which may contain different or additional terms. The Board is not bound to comply with this request.



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b. If the Board does not accept a renewed or new agreement, Rinehart shall be notified in writing. Rinehart may request a hearing to seek reinstatement of her probationary license. If Rinehart requests a hearing following suspension for violation of this agreement and does not prevail, the cost incurred in holding such hearing shall be borne by Rinehart. If Rinehart prevails, the cost of such hearing shall be borne by the Board. Cost shall refer only to the expense of employing a court reporter and hearing examiner for the purpose of the hearing, and shall not include any legal or other fees incurred by the Board or Rinehart in bringing the matter to hearing.

c. The Board may schedule a hearing on its own initiative for the purpose of allowing the Board opportunity for considering further suspension or revocation of Rinehart's license. Said hearing shall be scheduled in accordance with the provisions of West Virginia Code §30-1-8 and §30-7-1 et. seq. The Board shall bear the cost if it should seek a hearing following suspension of Rinehart's probationary license for violation of this agreement. Cost shall refer only to the expense of employing a court reporter and hearing examiner for the purpose of the hearing, and shall not include any legal or other fees incurred by Rinehart in bringing the matter to hearing.

**Petition for Reinstatement:**

14. Following the one (1) year probationary period, Rinehart may petition to appear before the Board and submit satisfactory evidence that she is presently able to safely engage in the practice of registered professional nursing. Evidence in support of this request shall include:

- a. Letter of reference from Rinehart's employer, if employed;
- b. Letter from Rinehart outlining her future plans; and
- c. Payment of all fines and administrative fees.


However, the terms of this Order shall remain in effect and subject to yearly review and appropriate revision by the Board until such time as Rinehart is fully reinstated by the Board.

WHEREFORE, Rinehart hereby requests that the Board accept the stipulations and impose sanctions in accordance with West Virginia Code § 30-7-1 et seq.

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Delontea Rinehart

24 Sept 2013  
Date

  
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Witness

9/24/13  
Date

Proposed Consent Agreement  
Delontea Rinehart

Agreed to:

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Judy Nystrom  
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Mrs. Judy Nystrom  
Disciplinary Review Committee

9/30/2013  
Date

DocuSigned by:  
Teresa Ritchie  
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Teresa Ritchie, RN, MSN, FNP, DFNP  
Disciplinary Review Committee

9/30/2013  
Date

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Joyce Egnor  
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Joyce Egnor, RN, MSN  
Disciplinary Review Committee

9/25/2013  
Date

Laura S. Rhodes  
Laura S. Rhodes, RN, MSN  
Executive Director

9/30/13  
Date

ENTERED: This the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013