

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE: KRISTEN EDENFIELD, R.N.**  
**License No.: 0001213922**

**CONSENT ORDER**

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

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

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Kristen Edenfield, R.N., was issued License No. 0001-213922 to practice professional nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on July 10, 2008. Said license is set to expire on October 31, 2014. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. Ms. Edenfield suffers from mental illness that impairs her ability to safely practice nursing. She has been hospitalized several times, most recently from September 25, 2012, through October 1, 2012, for management of her bipolar disorder. She resigned her position at Sentara Obici Hospital, Suffolk, Virginia, in order to reduce stress and manage her disorder.

3. In the opinion of Ms. Edenfield's treating clinical psychologist, Ms. Edenfield is not stable at her current level of functioning and is not in a condition to work as a professional nurse.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Findings of Fact Nos. 2 and 3 constitute a violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code").

**CONSENT**

Kristen Edenfield, 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. License No. 0001-213922 of Kristen Edenfield, R.N., is INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.
2. The license will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.
3. At such time as Ms. Edenfield shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice of professional nursing. Ms. Edenfield shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

4. This suspension applies to any multistate privilege to practice professional nursing.

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

Jane Ingalls  
Jane Ingalls, R.N., Ph.D.  
President, Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: July 17, 2013

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Kristen Edenfield, RN  
Kristen Edenfield, R.N.

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Kristen Edenfield, a Notary Public, this 2 day of July, 2013.

My commission expires 11/30/13.

Registration Number 217063.

Oliver W. Schellinger, III  
NOTARY PUBLIC

Certified True Copy

By [Signature]  
Virginia Board of Nursing

