

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT BOARDS OF NURSING AND MEDICINE

**IN RE: JUDY ALTIZER, L.N.P.
License No.: 0024-168900**

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine ("Committee of the Joint Boards") and Judy Altizer, L.N.P., as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Altizer's license to practice as a nurse practitioner in Virginia.

The Committee of the Joint Boards adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Judy Altizer, L.N.P. was issued License No. 0024-168900 to practice as a nurse practitioner by the Virginia Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine on July 21, 2010. Said license is set to expire on February 29, 2016. Ms. Altizer also holds License No. 0001-187409 to practice professional nursing, issued by the Virginia Board of Nursing.
2. During the course of her employment with EmCare staffing agency, while assigned to the Emergency Department of Lewis Gale Hospital - Montgomery, Blacksburg, Virginia, on February 14, 2014, Ms. Altizer falsely documented a patient's vital signs, including that the patient presented normal breath sounds and equal bilateral reflexes, when, in fact, she had not actually performed a hands-on assessment of the patient.
3. Based on this incident, Lewis Gale Hospital - Montgomery requested that EmCare permanently remove Ms. Altizer from providing services at the Hospital.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing, and 18 VAC 90-30-220(4) of the Emergency Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners.

CONSENT

Judy Altizer, L.N.P., 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 Committee of the Joint Boards, 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 Committee of the Joint Boards;
6. She consents to the entry of the following Order affecting her right to practice as a nurse practitioner in Virginia.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, the Virginia Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine, effective upon entry of this Order, and in lieu of further proceedings, hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Judy Altizer, L.N.P. is hereby REPRIMANDED.

2. Ms. Altizer shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a nurse practitioner commensurate with the requirements of §§ 54.1-2900 and 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the regulations governing the practice of nursing and nurse practitioners.

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 COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT BOARDS

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

ENTERED: April 27th, 2015

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Judy Altizer R.N. FNP-BC 4/22/15
Judy Altizer, L.N.P.

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

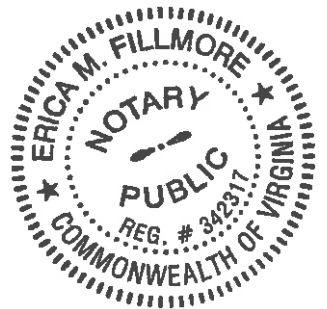
Subscribed and sworn to before me, Erica M. Zedalis, a Notary Public, this 22nd day of April, 2015.

My commission expires 10/31/2016.

Registration Number 342317.

Erica M. Zedalis
NOTARY PUBLIC

Erica M. Zedalis
Commissioned As: Erica M. Fillmore
Commission Expires: 10/31/2016



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By *[Signature]*
Virginia Board of Nursing