VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

CHRISHA R. WATSON, L.P.N.

License No.: 0002-075875

<u>ORDER</u>

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 54.1-110 and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), a formal administrative hearing was held before a panel of the Board of Nursing ("Board") on March 23, 2015, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Chrisha R. Watson, L.P.N., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing practical nursing practice in Virginia. The case was presented by Tammie D. Jones, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division. Charis A. Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, was present as legal counsel for the Board. Ms. Watson was present and was not represented by legal counsel. The proceedings were recorded by a certified court reporter.

Upon consideration of the evidence presented, the Board adopted the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

**FINDINGS OF FACT** 

1. Chrisha R. Watson, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-075875 to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia on June 4, 2007. Said license expires on April 30, 2016. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. During the course of her employment at the Norfolk City Jail through Correct Care Solutions, Norfolk, Virginia, on February 18, 2014, Ms. Watson administered Augmentin 875mg to a patient without a physician's order.

- 3. Ms. Watson resigned from employment on February 21, 2014.
- 4. Ms. Watson testified that she had been trained that administration of Augmentin for a dental abscess was normal policy for the jail, and that there was a standing order for Augmentin. However, she agreed that the evidence presented showed that there was no standing order and that what she did was

improper.

5. Ms. Watson testified that she has learned to not work outside of her scope of practice, regardless of policies.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The Board concludes that Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2) and (5) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(a) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.

## **ORDER**

WHEREFORE, the Virginia Board of Nursing, effective upon entry of this Order, hereby ORDERS as follows:

- 1. Chrisha R. Watson, L.P.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
- 2. Ms. Watson shall provide the Board with verification that she has completed the NCSBN online course Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, within 90 days of the entry of this Order.
- 3. Ms. Watson 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 Chrisha R. Watson, L.P.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 on request.

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FOR THE BOARD

Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE

**Executive Director** 

Virginia Board of Nursing

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## NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, you have 30 days from the date you are served with this Order in which to appeal this decision by filing a Notice of Appeal with Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233. The service date shall be defined as the date you actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to you, whichever occurred first. In the event this decision is served upon you by mail, three days are added to that period.

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