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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

VA BD OF NURSING

IN RE: LINDA K. SIMONDS, R.N.
License No.: 0001-194097

CONSENT ORDER

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

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Linda K. Simonds, R.N. was issued License No. 0001-194097 to practice professional nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on December 28, 2004. Said license is set to expire on October 31, 2015. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. During the course of her employment as a professional nurse at the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women, Troy, Virginia, through Corizon Correctional Healthcare, on June 6, 2013, Ms. Simonds added to a patient's medical record, without indicating that the entry was late, after the patient suffered a medical emergency.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board concludes that Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (5) and (8) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) and (f) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing

CONSENT

Linda K. Simonds, 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 neither admits nor denies the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein but 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. Linda K. Simonds, R.N. is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. Ms. Simonds shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a professional nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

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

Alexis 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 1st, 2015

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Linda K. Simonds
Linda K. Simonds, R.N.

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Brenda Awano, a Notary Public, this 23 day of March, 2015.

My commission expires 06-30-2018.

Registration Number 761163

Brenda Awano
NOTARY PUBLIC

