

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

**IN RE: CORALEE MARTIN, C.N.A.
 Certificate No.: 1401-127193**

ORDER

In accordance with §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021 and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), an informal conference was conducted on behalf of the Board of Nursing ("Board") on February 10, 2015, in Henrico County, Virginia. Coralee Martin, C.N.A., was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel. Judith E. Piersall, R.N., B.S.N., serving as Agency Subordinate for the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On March 25, 2015, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Ms. Martin was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel.

Based upon its review of the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate, the Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and issues the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Coralee Martin, C.N.A., was issued Certificate No. 1401-127193 to practice as a nurse aide in Virginia on November 19, 2008. The certificate is scheduled to expire on November 30, 2015.
2. By letter dated January 12, 2015, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Martin notifying her that an informal conference would be held on February 10, 2015. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 6241 Poor Mountain Road, Salem, Virginia 24153, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. The certified mail receipt was signed and received in the Board office on January 21, 2015. The Notice sent by first class mail was not returned to the Board office. The Agency Subordinate concluded that adequate notice was provided to Ms. Martin and the informal conference proceeded in her absence.
3. During the course of her employment with Amedisys, Inc., during the week of March 19, 2014, while assigned to provide care to a resident at Bethel Ridge Assisted Living, Fincastle, Virginia, Ms. Martin falsely documented that she saw the resident and provided care on three occasions; however, she failed to

actually do so.

4. The facility staff for Bethel Ridge Assisted Living and the resident reported that they had not seen Ms. Martin for an entire week, although she was scheduled to see the resident three times during the week of March 19, 2014. Ms. Martin documented that she assisted with the resident's bath, emptied the ostomy and provided oral care. The falsification was substantiated by the employer-issued cell phone GPS tracking system, which revealed that Ms. Martin went to the facility for one minute and then left on March 19, 2014.

5. Management from Amedisys confronted Ms. Martin on March 27, 2014, at which time she became confrontational, used profanity and admitted that she had not made the visit only on March 21, 2014.

6. Ms. Martin failed to submit to an interview with an investigator from the Department of Health Professions; therefore, no employment history is available.

Recommended Conclusions of Law

1. Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (5) and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-25-100(2)(d) and (e) of the Regulations Governing Certified Nurse Aides.

2. Finding of Fact No. 3 and Conclusions of Law No. 1 constitute a Finding of Neglect pursuant to 42 CFR § 483.156(b)(2) and (c)(1)(iv)(D) of the Code of Federal Regulations.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. Certificate No. 1401-127193 of Coralee Martin, C.N.A., is REVOKED.

2. The certificate of Coralee Martin, C.N.A., will be recorded as REVOKED and no longer current. Pursuant to § 54.1-2408.2 of the Code, should Ms. Martin seek reinstatement of her certificate after three years, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement of her certificate prior to issuance of her certificate to resume practice. The reinstatement of Ms. Martin's certificate shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members at a meeting of the Board.

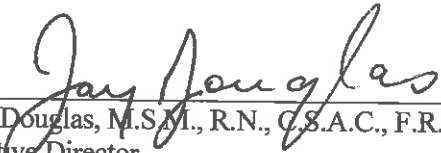
3. A Finding of Neglect shall be ENTERED against Ms. Martin in the Virginia Nurse Aide Registry pursuant to 42 CFR § 483.13(c)(1)(ii)(B) and 42 CFR § 483.156(b)(2) and (c)(1)(iv)(D). This finding prohibits Ms. Martin's employment as a certified nurse aide in any long-term care facility that receives Medicare

or Medicaid reimbursement, according to 42 CFR § 483.13(c)(1)(ii)(B).

Pursuant to § 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.

Since Ms. Martin failed to appear at the informal conference, this Order shall be considered final. Ms. Martin has the right to appeal this Order directly to the appropriate Virginia circuit court. As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, Ms. Martin has thirty (30) days from the date of service (the date she actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to her, whichever occurred first) within which to appeal this decision by filing a Notice of Appeal with Jay P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, at Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Richmond, Virginia 23233. In the event that this decision is served by mail, three (3) days are added to that period.

FOR THE BOARD


Jay P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Nursing

Entered: March 30th, 2015

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