

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

**IN RE: LISA PERKINS, R.N.
 License No.: 0001-107297**

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021 and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), an informal conference was held before a Special Conference Committee (“Committee”) of the Board of Nursing (“Board”) on May 28, 2014, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Lisa R. Perkins, R.N. may have violated an Order of the Board entered May 10, 2012. Ms. Perkins was present and was not represented by Counsel.

By letter dated March 11, 2015, the Board noticed Ms. Perkins for a formal hearing. In lieu of proceeding to a formal hearing, the Board and Ms. Perkins, as evidenced by their signatures affixed below, agree to enter into this Consent Order affecting the license of Ms. Perkins to practice professional nursing in Virginia.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Lisa Perkins, R.N., was issued License No. 0001-107297 to practice professional nursing in Virginia on August 17, 1987. The license is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2016. Ms. Perkins’ primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. Term No. 1(a) of the Order of the Board entered May 10, 2012 (“Board’s Order”), took no action against Ms. Perkins contingent on her compliance with all terms and conditions of the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program (“HPMP”). This action was based on Ms. Perkins’ admitted problem

with alcohol and her entry into treatment with the Family Counseling Center for Recovery, Richmond, Virginia.

3. On June 26, 2013, Ms. Perkins submitted a letter of resignation to the HPMP due to medical and financial issues. Specifically, Ms. Perkins was incapacitated, and unable to make it to testing appointments.

4. Ms. Perkins is willing to surrender her license to practice professional nursing.

5. Ms. Perkins stated that she was a social drinker until her husband left; after that her drinking increased. She stated that she attends Alcoholics Anonymous meetings three to four times a week and has a sponsor, who is also a nurse and accompanied her to the informal conference. She attends Caduceus meetings twice a month. Her date of sobriety is November 3, 2013. She has maintained her sobriety to date.

6. Ms. Perkins stated that she is currently on a good medication regime, and has been dismissed from counseling because she has reached the maximum benefit and is stable.

7. Ms. Perkins stated that she has had multiple surgeries since September 2012 and 2013, including recent surgery in 2014 to remove a pancreatic tumor. She anticipates another surgery for a bowel blockage. She is currently unable to practice professional nursing due to her medical condition.

8. Ms. Perkins last worked as a professional nurse in July 2011.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of Term 1(a) of the Board's Order entered May 10, 2012.

CONSENT

Lisa R. Perkins, 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 formal fact finding hearing 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 a formal hearing;

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. The Board ACCEPTS the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER for INDEFINITE SUSPENSION of Lisa Perkins' license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

2. The license will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.

3. At such time as Ms. Perkins 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. Perkins 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 § 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.

FOR THE BOARD

Joyce A. Hahn, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FNAP
President, Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: 3-24-15

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Lisa R. Perkins, R.N.

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Amy S. Davis, a Notary Public, this 23rd day of March, 2015

My commission expires April 30, 2015

Registration Number 279669

NOTARY PUBLIC



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