

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: ERICA BROWN, L.P.N.
License No.: 0002-057894

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), Erica Brown, L.P.N., who holds License No. 0002-057894 to practice practical nursing in Virginia, which expires on October 31, 2015, is hereby given notice that a formal administrative hearing will be held in the presence of a panel of the Board of Nursing. The hearing will be held on January 29, 2015, at 11:00 a.m., at the offices of the Department of Health Professions, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia 23233, at which time Ms. Brown will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

At the hearing, Ms. Brown has the following rights, among others: the right to representation by counsel; the right to have witnesses subpoenaed and to present witnesses on her behalf; the right to present documentary evidence; and the right to cross-examine adverse witnesses. If Ms. Brown desires any witnesses to appear on her behalf, she must notify the Director of Administrative Proceedings, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in accordance with the Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas.

The purpose of the hearing is to inquire into evidence that Ms. Brown may have violated certain laws and regulations governing practical nursing practice in Virginia, as more fully set forth in the Statement of Particulars below.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

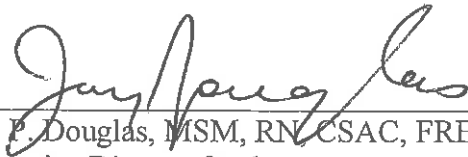
The Board alleges that:

1. Erica Brown, L.P.N., may have violated § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(k) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing (“Regulations”) in that during the course of her employment with Westminster Canterbury of the Blue Ridge, Charlottesville, Virginia, by her own admission, from about September 2012 through about February 2014, she wrote and cashed checks from a resident’s account for approximately \$25,000.00 for her personal and unauthorized use.

2. Ms. Brown may have violated § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (6) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) of the Regulations in that during the course of her employment with Westminster Canterbury of the Blue Ridge, between about January 2013 and about April 2014, she called in fraudulent prescriptions for hydrocodone (Schedule III) using the names of prescribing health practitioners treating residents of the facility.

3. Ms. Brown may be in violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code in that she may be unable to safely practice practical nursing due to substance abuse, as evidenced by her admitted history of narcotics abuse and addiction, by her obtaining numerous prescriptions for narcotics, specifically hydrocodone (Schedule III), via fraud, and by her June 11, 2014, entry into the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program via Participation Contract, in which she acknowledged her history of chemical dependence.

FOR THE BOARD



Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE
Executive Director for the
Board of Nursing

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