

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE:**

**AMANDA JORDAN, L.P.N.**

**ORDER**

In accordance with §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021 and 54.1-2400(7)/(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), an informal conference was conducted on behalf of the Board of Nursing ("Board") on July 28, 2009, in Henrico County, Virginia. Amanda Jordan, L.P.N., was present and was not represented by legal counsel. Janet Younger, Ph.D., R.N., P.N.P., serving as Agency Subordinate for the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On September 16, 2009, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Ms. Jordan was present and was not 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. Amanda Jordan, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-056411 to practice practical nursing in Virginia on June 16, 1998. The license is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2011.

2. By letter dated July 10, 2009, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Jordan notifying her that an informal conference would be held on July 28, 2009. The Notice was sent by overnight mail to 7513 Southwind Drive, Apt. 302, Chesterfield, Virginia 23832, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing.

3. On December 14, 2008, Ms. Jordan was involved in a traffic accident after taking prescribed opiates and benzodiazepines. She was observed to have slurred speech and to be confused. She was admitted to Tucker Pavilion, CJW Medical Center, on a temporary detention order for

expressing suicidal ideation following the traffic accident. She was charged with driving while intoxicated and reckless driving, with a trial date currently set for August 12, 2009. Ms. Jordan stated at the informal conference that she did not remember these events.

4. At the informal conference, Ms. Jordan acknowledged her recent inpatient and outpatient treatment for addiction to prescription medications and for mental health-related treatment. She stated that she has been diagnosed with bipolar disorder. She also acknowledged that she became dependent on narcotic pain medication that she was taking for various health problems.

5. Ms. Jordan stated that she underwent rapid detoxification at the Coleman Institute and then transferred to the Life Center at Galax for inpatient treatment. She stated that she has a Naltrexone implant. She signed a Participation Contract with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP") on July 20, 2009. She stated that she is participating in a 12-week program entitled "Seeking Safety" with Chesterfield mental health services. She also attends NA meeting four times per week but does not yet have a sponsor.

6. Ms. Jordan provided false information on the following employment applications:

a. On an application for employment with Lucy Corr Village dated June 4, 2007, her stated reason for leaving Patient First was "had baby," when her employment was actually terminated for "no call/no show" in January 2006.

b. On an application for employment with The Laurels at Willow Creek/Laurel Health Care in February, 2008, her stated reason for leaving Lucy Corr was "sick," when her employment was actually terminated for "no call/no show" in October, 2007, and her stated reason for leaving Patient First was "had baby," when her employment was actually terminated as stated above.

c. On an application for employment with Nurse Advantage, dated October 30, 2008, her stated reason for leaving Patient First was "pregnant," when her employment was actually terminated

as stated above. She also failed to list her employment with the Laurels at Willow Creek, which was terminated on August 12, 2008, for failure to document distribution of narcotics.

7. At the informal conference, Ms Jordan admitted not being forthcoming on the applications for employment. She stated that it was the potential employer's obligation to check her out.

8. Ms Jordan's last employment was at Kindred Health Care. Her employment was terminated on April 12, 2009.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. Findings of Fact Nos. 3 and 4 constitute a violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code.
2. Finding of Fact No. 6 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.

### **ORDER**

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. Amanda Jordan, L.P.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. License No. 0002-056411 of Amanda Jordan, L.P.N., is INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.
3. The license will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.
4. At such time as Ms. Jordan 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 practical nursing. Ms. Jordan 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.
5. This suspension applies to any multistate privilege to practice practical nursing.

6. This suspension shall be STAYED upon proof of Ms. Jordan's continued compliance with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP") pursuant to Chapter 25.1 of Title 54.1 of the Code and 18 VAC 76-10-10 *et seq.* of the Regulations Governing the HPMP. At such time, the indefinite suspension shall be STAYED and the following terms and conditions shall apply:

a. Ms. Jordan shall comply with all terms and conditions for the period specified by the HPMP.

b. Any violation of the terms and conditions stated in this Order shall be reason for summarily rescinding the stay of indefinite suspension of the license of Ms. Jordan, and an administrative proceeding shall be held to determine whether her license shall be revoked. The stay of indefinite suspension may be summarily rescinded at such time the Board is notified that:

i. Ms. Jordan is not in compliance with the terms and conditions specified by the HPMP;

ii. Ms. Jordan's participation in the HPMP has been terminated;

iii. There is a pending investigation or unresolved allegation against Ms. Jordan involving a violation of law, regulation, or any term or condition of this order.

7. This Order is applicable to Ms. Jordan's multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia. For the duration of this Order, Ms. Jordan shall not work outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia pursuant to a multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the Virginia Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where she wishes to work. Any requests for out of state employment should be directed, in writing, to the Executive Director of the Board.

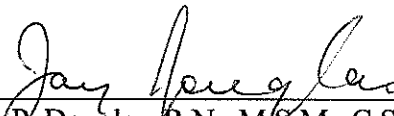
8. Ms. Jordan shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a practical nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Board of Nursing

Regulations.

This Order is subject to appeal to the Board. If Ms. Jordan desires a formal administrative hearing before the Board pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020 and 2.2-4021 of the Code, she must notify Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Richmond, Virginia 23233, in writing, within thirty-three (33) days from the date of service of this Order. Upon the filing of a request for the hearing with the Executive Director, this Order shall be vacated.

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.

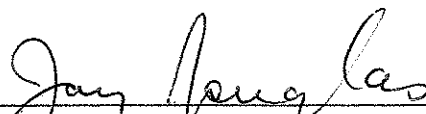
FOR THE BOARD

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

Entered: September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Order was mailed this day to Amanda Jordan, at 15212 Clearwater Trail, Apt. 303, Chesterfield, Virginia 23832.

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

September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
DATE