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VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: TINA R. LAWSON, R.M.A. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Tina R. Lawson, as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Lawson's application for reinstatement of her registration to practice as a medication aide in Virginia.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Tina R. Lawson was issued Registration No. 0031-003043 to practice as a medication aide by the Board on May 28, 2009. Said registration expired on January 31, 2011.
2. Ms. Lawson submitted an application for reinstatement of her registration, which was received by the Board on August 28, 2014.
3. On February 7, 2011, Ms. Lawson was convicted of four counts of misdemeanor welfare fraud in the Circuit Court of Scott County, Virginia. She was sentenced to 12 years of incarceration for each count to be served concurrently, with all time suspended. She was also placed on supervised probation and ordered to pay restitution and court costs.
4. Ms. Lawson submitted documentation that she has satisfied the monetary penalties related to these convictions. She also submitted documentation that she was released from supervised probation on November 28, 2011, and was transferred to unsupervised probation until February 7, 2012.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(4) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code").

2. Ms. Lawson has demonstrated satisfactory evidence that she is prepared to resume practice in a safe and competent manner.

CONSENT

Tina R. Lawson, 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 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 application for reinstatement of her registration to practice as a medication aide 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 application of Tina R. Lawson for reinstatement of her registration to practice as a medication aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia is APPROVED. Ms. Lawson shall be issued an unrestricted registration.
2. Ms. Lawson is hereby REPRIMANDED.

3. Ms. Lawson shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a medication aide commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Regulations Governing the Registration of Medication Aides.

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


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

ENTERED: January 7, 2015

SEEN AND AGREED TO:


Tina R. Lawson

Certified True Copy

By 
Virginia Board of Nursing

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Judy Shearin, a Notary Public, this 29th day of December, 20 14.
Judy Baldwin Shearin

My Commission expires 9-30-2015

Registration Number 168947




NOTARY PUBLIC