VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: LASHON LASSITER-BRITT, L.P.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT

License No.: 0002-068277

ORDER

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 54.1-110 and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), a formal administrative hearing was held before a panel of the Board of Nursing ("Board") on November 19, 2014, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon LaShon Lassiter-Britt's application for reinstatement of her license to practice practical nursing in Virginia, which expired on September 21, 2011, and for which the right to renew was indefinitely suspended by Order of the Board entered May 29, 2012 ("Board's Order"). The panel also inquired into evidence that Ms. Lassiter-Britt may have violated certain laws governing nursing practice in Virginia. The case was presented by Cynthia E. Gaines, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division. James E. Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General, was present as legal counsel for the Board. Ms. Lassiter-Britt was present and was not represented by legal counsel. The proceedings were recorded by a certified court reporter.

Upon consideration of the evidence presented, the Board adopted the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. LaShon Lassiter-Britt, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-068277 to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia on March 22, 2004. Said license expired on September 21, 2011, due to the Nurse Licensure Compact. The Board's Order entered May 29, 2012, indefinitely suspended Ms. Lassiter-Britt's right to renew her license.
- 2. Ms. Lassiter-Britt submitted an application for reinstatement of her license to practice practical nursing which was received by the Board on February 10, 2014. Ms. Lassiter-Britt declared

Georgia as her primary state of residence.

- 3. On August 16, 2004, Ms. Lassiter-Britt was convicted of one misdemeanor count of simple worthless check, and on April 1, 2005, she was convicted of one misdemeanor count of worthless check on a closed account and two misdemeanor counts of simple worthless check, all in the Superior Court of Hertford County, North Carolina.
- 4. Ms. Lassiter-Britt testified that her conviction was the result of a joint-owner of the checking account withdrawing all of the funds in the account, which caused the account to be closed without her knowledge.
- 5. Ms. Lassiter-Britt testified that she has been employed at a cardiologist's office, performing clerical work, since July 2014. She further testified that she completed prerequisite classes for a registered nursing program while enrolled at Georgia Perimeter College.
- 6. Ms. Lassiter-Britt submitted 11 continuing education credits in nursing that were completed in January and February 2014. She testified that she has attended in-service training at the cardiologist's office where she is employed, and she described the training for the Board.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board concludes that:

- 1. Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(4) of the Code.
- 2. The panel otherwise finds that Ms. Lassiter-Britt is safe and competent to practice practical nursing at this time.

<u>ORDER</u>

WHEREFORE, the Virginia Board of Nursing, by affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of the Board at the hearing, effective upon entry of this Order, hereby ORDERS:

1. License No. 0002-068277 issued to LaShon Lassiter-Britt to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia, be and hereby is REINSTATED. Ms. Lassiter-Britt shall be issued a licensed

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marked "Valid in Virginia only."

2. Ms. Lassiter-Britt 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.

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 on request.

FOR THE BOARD

Jay P. Douglas MSM RN, CSAC, FRE

Executive Director

Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED 12, 2014

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, you have 30 days from the date you are served with this Order in which to appeal this decision by filing a Notice of Appeal with Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233. The service date shall be defined as the date you actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to you, whichever occurred first. In the event this decision is served upon you by mail, three days are added to that period.

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