VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

CHRISTINA LOVE, L.P.N.

License No.: 0002-090474

<u>ORDER</u>

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 inquire into evidence that Ms. Love may have violated certain laws governing nursing practice in Virginia. The case was presented by Wendy Deaner, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division. Erin Barrett, Assistant Attorney General, was present as legal

counsel for the Board. Ms. Love was not 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. Christina Love, L.P.N. was issued License No. 0002-090474 to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia on March 5, 2014. Said license was summarily suspended by Order of the Board entered on October 24, 2014. Ms. Love also holds licenses to practice practical nursing in Florida and New

Jersey. Ms. Love's primary state of residence is New Jersey.

2. Based upon the representations of Wendy Deaner, Adjudication Specialist, and Commonwealth's Exhibit #1, the Notice of Formal Hearing and Statement of Particulars, Allegation Summary Worksheet and Affidavit of Mailing, the presiding officer ruled that adequate notice was provided to the respondent and the hearing proceeded in her absence.

3. On April 30, 2014, Ms. Love was admitted to the Behavioral Health Unit of Southside

Regional Medical Center, Petersburg, Virginia, subsequent to a Temporary Detention Order. At admission she appeared to be psychotic, paranoid, and depressed and seemed to have poor insight and judgment. Ms. Love was discharged on May 9, 2014, with a diagnosis of schizoaffective disorder. As of July 8, 2014, her family had not heard from her since her discharge from the hospital. An investigator with the Department of Health Professions made numerous attempts to contact Ms. Love but was unable to speak with her prior to submission of the investigative report.

4. Ms. Love's family indicated to a local Community Services Board ("CSB") that she received a diagnosis of schizophrenia in New Jersey in 2004, and has a history of noncompliance with her medications and treatment. They also informed the CSB that she has lost many jobs because of "cursing at people."

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board concludes that Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of §54.1-3007(6) of the Code.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, the Virginia Board of Nursing, effective upon entry of this Order, hereby ORDERS as follows:

- 1. License No. 0002-090474 issued to Christina Love, L.P.N., to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.
- 2. The license of Ms. Love will be recorded as SUSPENDED and no longer current. Should Ms. Love seek reinstatement of her license consistent with this Order, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement of her license prior to issuance of her license to resume practice.
- 3. At such time as Ms. Love shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether she is able to return to the safe and competent practice of nursing.

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4. This Order shall be applicable to Ms. Love's multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice practical nursing.

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

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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