VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

LINDA WILSON, R.N.

License No.: 0001-111663

<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 16, 2015, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Linda Wilson, R.N., may have

violated certain laws governing professional nursing practice in Virginia and to inquire into evidence that

Ms. Wilson may have violated certain terms and conditions imposed on her, as set forth in the Order of the

Board entered on October 3, 2014. The case was presented by David W. Kazzie, Adjudication Specialist,

Administrative Proceedings Division. Charis A. Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, was present as legal

counsel for the Board. Ms. Wilson 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. Linda Wilson, R.N., holds License No. 0001-111663 to practice as a professional nurse in the

Commonwealth of Virginia, which was issued on August 23, 1988. Said license was indefinitely suspended

by the Board on July 23, 2015. Ms. Wilson's primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. Based upon the representations of Mr. Kazzie and Commonwealth's Exhibits #1 and #2, the

Notice of Formal Hearing and Affidavit of Mailing, the presiding officer ruled that adequate notice was

provided to the respondent and the hearing proceeded in his absence.

3. On October 3, 2014, the Board entered an Order affecting Ms. Wilson's license to practice

professional nursing after making findings that Ms. Wilson had entered into a personal relationship with

patient while working at an outpatient infusion center and had obtained Percocet (C-II) from the patient for her personal and unauthorized use. The Board's Order reprimanded Ms. Wilson and indefinitely suspended

her license. Term No. 5(a) of the Board's Order stayed the suspension contingent upon her continued

compliance with all terms and conditions of the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program for the period

specified by the HPMP.

4. Ms. Wilson had signed a Participation Contract with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program in April 2014, in which she acknowledged her alcohol and Percocet use. Ms. Wilson, who had successfully completed HPMP in 2009, ceased her substance abuse treatment and began drinking again in 2010. She pled guilty to a charge of driving under the influence in 2011.

5. Ms. Wilson failed to remain compliant with HPMP and was dismissed from the program on July 17, 2015. The dismissal was based on Ms. Wilson failing to enter and complete treatment as recommended and failing to comply with the toxicology screening program. She stopped attending group therapy, and she stopped calling the test line in June 2015.

6. On August 12, 2015, Ms. Wilson submitted a letter to the Board expressing her desire to voluntarily surrender her license to practice professional nursing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 5 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code and Term No. 5(a) of the Board's Order.

ORDER

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

- 1. Linda Wilson, R.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
- 2. License No. 0001-111663, issued to Linda Wilson, R.N., to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia, is hereby INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.

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3. The license of Ms. Wilson will be recorded as SUSPENDED and no longer current. Should Ms. Wilson 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.

4. At such time as Ms. Wilson shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, a hearing

will be convened to determine whether she is able to return to the safe and competent practice of professional

nursing.

5. This Order shall be applicable to Ms. Wilson's multistate licensure privileges, if any, to

practice professional 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

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Executive Director

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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.