

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

**IN RE: OMAR JAWARA, L.P.N.
 License No.: 0002-075719**

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 23, 2014 in Henrico County, Virginia. Omar Jawara, L.P.N. was present and was not represented by legal counsel. Jane Elliott, R.N., Ph.D., serving as Agency Subordinate for the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On September 17, 2014, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Mr. Jawara was not present nor was he 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. Omar Jawara, L.P.N. was issued License No. 0002-075719 to practice practical nursing in Virginia on May 4, 2007. The license was suspended by Order of the Board entered August 30, 2010, was reinstated upon certain terms and conditions by Order entered February 23, 2013, and is now set to expire on August 31, 2014. Mr. Jawara's primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. By letter dated June 20, 2014, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Mr. Jawara notifying him that an informal conference would be held on July 23, 2014. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 109 Tamar Creek Lane, Stafford, Virginia 22554, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing.

3. The Board suspended Mr. Jawara's license to practice practical nursing in 2010 based on findings that he had committed numerous medication errors while employed at an assisted living facility. Term No. 2 of the Board's Order reinstating Mr. Jawara's license, entered February 23, 2013, required Mr. Jawara to enroll in a Board-approved refresher course within 60 days of the entry of the Order. The Order further prohibited Mr. Jawara from resuming nursing practice until he provided the Board with written evidence that he had successfully completed the refresher course and received the Board's permission to resume practice.

4. The Board approved Mr. Jawara to take the LPN refresher course offered by the Tennessee Technology Center effective April 17, 2013. He requested an extension to enroll in the refresher course due to financial constraints. The Board approved his request, and he was given until June 15, 2013, to enroll in the course.

5. Mr. Jawara did not enroll in the approved refresher course until May 2014. He stated at the informal conference that he completed the course in July, 2014, but the Board had not received written confirmation at the time of the informal conference.

6. Mr. Jawara is currently self-employed in a non-nursing capacity.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 5 constitutes a violation of Term No. 2 of the Board's Order entered February 28, 2013.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

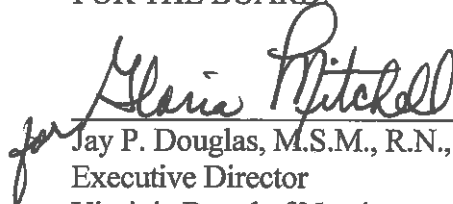
1. Omar Jawara, L.P.N. is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. Mr. Jawara shall maintain a course of conduct in his capacity as a practical nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Board of Nursing

Regulations.

Pursuant to § 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.

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400(10) of the Code, Mr. Jawara may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on **November 4, 2014**, notify Jay P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in writing that he/she desires a formal administrative hearing before the Board. Upon the filing with the Executive Director of a request for the hearing, this Order shall be vacated.

FOR THE BOARD:

for 

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

ENTERED: October 2, 2014

This Order shall become final on **November 4, 2014**, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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By J. Robinson-Hawes
Virginia Board of Nursing