

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

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

ORDER

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021, and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), a Special Conference Committee (“Committee”) of the Virginia Board of Nursing (“Board”) met on August 8, 2011, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon Omar Jawara’s application for reinstatement of his license to practice practical nursing in Virginia, and to inquire into evidence that Mr. Jawara may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of nursing in Virginia. Mr. Jawara was not present and was not represented by legal counsel. Upon consideration of the evidence, the Committee adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Omar Jawara was issued License No. 0002-075719 to practice as a practical nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia on May 4, 2007. Said license was suspended by an Order of the Board entered August 30, 2010. This suspension was based on findings that Mr. Jawara had numerous medication errors wherein he either failed to administer medication as ordered, or did not administer medication at all, and that he wrapped a resident’s foot in a bleach wipe used for household cleaning, and documented that he provided the ordered treatment for Proshield Plus Skin Protection Cream, when, in fact, he had not. His primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. By letter dated July 21, 2011, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Mr. Jawara notifying him that an informal conference would be held on August 8, 2011. 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. The Board received a certified mail receipt with an indecipherable

signature on June 24, 2011. The Notice sent by first class mail was not returned to the Board. The Committee Chair concluded that adequate notice was provided to Mr. Jawara and the informal conference proceeded in his absence.

3. Mr. Jawara submitted an application for reinstatement of his license to practice practical nursing which was received by the Board on January 28, 2011.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Committee concludes that Mr. Jawara has not demonstrated satisfactory evidence that he is prepared to resume practice in a safe and competent manner.


ORDER

On the basis of the foregoing, the Committee hereby ORDERS that the application of Omar Jawara for reinstatement of his license to practice practical nursing is DENIED.

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.

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400(10) of the Code, Mr. Jawara may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on October 5, 2011, notify Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in writing that 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 COMMITTEE:



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

ENTERED: September 2nd, 2011

This Order shall become final on October 5, 2011, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.