

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE:       LISA H. JONES, L.P.N.  
              License No.: 0002-050215**

**ORDER**

In accordance with §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021 and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), an informal conference was conducted on behalf of the Board of Nursing ("Board") on June 17, 2014, in Henrico County, Virginia. Lisa H. Jones, L.P.N., was not present nor was she 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. Ms. Jones was not present nor was she 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. Lisa H. Jones, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-050215 to practice practical nursing in Virginia on November 3, 1994. The license expired on April 30, 2014. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. By letter dated May 14, 2014, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Jones notifying her that an informal conference would be held on June 17, 2014. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to P. O. Box 927, Keysville, Virginia 23947, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. The certified mail was delivered on May 27, 2014. The first class mail was not returned to the Board office. The Agency Subordinate concluded that adequate notice

was provided to Ms. Jones and the informal conference proceeded in her absence.

3. During the course of her employment with The Woodland Family Practice, Farmville, Virginia:

a. From June 26, 2013 to September 18, 2013, Ms. Jones phoned in approximately 11 fraudulent prescriptions for herself, including Tussionex (hydrocodone and chlorpheniramine), Vicoprofen (hydrocodone and ibuprofen) and Norco (hydrocodone and acetaminophen), all Schedule III controlled substances, using the names of family members as the patients and a physician from the practice as the prescriber.

b. By her own admission, Ms. Jones diverted 14 vials of morphine for her personal and unauthorized use.

4. Ms. Jones' employment was subsequently terminated due to the fraudulent prescriptions. She was arrested and charged with eleven counts of obtaining prescriptions by fraud, a felony. The criminal cases are currently pending in the Circuit Court of Prince Edward County, Virginia.

5. During the course of her employment with The Woodland, Brookview Assisted Living, Farmville, Virginia, in February and March, 2012, Ms. Jones documented administering hydrocodone to two residents and kept the medication for herself.

6. On September 18, 2002, in the Circuit Court of Prince Edward County, Virginia, Ms. Jones was convicted of eight misdemeanor counts of obtaining drugs by fraud. Said action was based on Ms. Jones' diversion of hydrocodone (Schedule III) from The Woodland, Brookview Assisted Living from May to August, 1998.

7. On October 25, 2013, Ms. Jones entered the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP"), wherein she acknowledged being unable to safely practice practical nursing due to

substance abuse and mental illness which requires medication and treatment; however, she failed to enter treatment and was dismissed from the HPMP on March 21, 2014.

8. Ms. Jones previously entered the HPMP after the 1998 diversion and completed the program in 2003.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Finding of Fact No. 3(a) constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (3), (5) and (6) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) and (e) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing (“Regulations”).

2. Finding of Fact No. 3(b) constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (3), (5) and (6) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) of the Regulations.

3. Finding of Fact No. 5 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (5), (6) and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) and (e) of the Regulations.

4. Finding of Fact No. 6 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(4) and (6) of the Code.

5. Finding of Fact No. 7 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code.

### ORDER

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. The right of Lisa H. Jones, L.P.N., to renew License No. 0002-050215 is INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED for a period of not less than two years.

2. The license will be recorded as suspended.

3. At such time as Ms. Jones shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice of practical nursing. Ms. Jones shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume

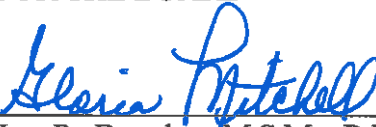
practice.

4. This suspension applies to any multistate privilege to practice practical nursing.

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.

Since Ms. Jones failed to appear at the informal conference, this Order shall be considered final. Ms. Jones has the right to appeal this Order directly to the appropriate Virginia circuit court. As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, Ms. Jones has thirty (30) days from the date of service (the date she actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to her, whichever occurred first) within which to appeal this decision by filing a Notice of Appeal with Jay P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, at Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Richmond, Virginia 23233. In the event that this decision is served by mail, three (3) days are added to that period.

FOR THE BOARD

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

Entered: September 30, 2014