VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

LORIA E. HOLDREN, R.N.

License No.: 0001-170040

<u>ORDER</u>

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 March 4, 2014, in Henrico County, Virginia. Loria E. Holdren, R.N., was not present nor was she

represented by legal counsel. Janet B. Younger, R.N., P.N.P., Ph.D., serving as Agency Subordinate for

the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On May 21, 2014, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision

of the Agency Subordinate. Ms. Holdren 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. Loria E. Holdren, R.N., was issued License No. 0001-170040 to practice professional

nursing in Virginia on July 13, 2000. The license is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2016. Ms.

Holdren also holds expired licenses to practice professional nursing in Pennsylvania and Alaska. Her

primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. By letter dated February 7, 2014, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal

Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Holdren notifying her that an informal conference would be held on March

4, 2014. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 1726 Grandin Road., S.W., Apt. 32,

Roanoke, Virginia 24015, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. The Notice sent by

certified mail was returned to the Board office marked "unclaimed." The Notice sent by first class mail

was not returned to the Board office. The Agency Subordinate concluded that adequate notice was provided to Ms. Holdren, and the informal conference proceeded in her absence.

- 3. During the course of her employment with Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital, Roanoke, Virginia:
- a. On April 27, 2013, Ms. Holdren failed to change Patient A's colostomy bag in a timely manner. Further, after changing the bag, Ms. Holdren failed to change the patient's linen and allowed him to lie in a soiled bed. Family and staff repeatedly requested her assistance, to which Ms. Holdren replied in a loud manner that it was not her job to clean the patient and/or his room, but that it was the duty of the nurse aide.
- b. On April 27, 2013, when Patient B requested bathroom assistance, Ms. Holdren failed to assist her and stated that it was the duty of the nurse aide to assist her.
- c. On November 18, 2011, Ms. Holdren made statements about Patient C to her family, in the patient's presence, that were inconsistent with the information provided by the attending physician. Specifically, Ms. Holdren told a family member that Patient C was not likely to make it through the night and to contact the other family members. Patient C, who suffered from expressive aphasia, attempted to talk to Ms. Holdren, and Ms. Holdren walked away from her, stating that she did not have time for her. Ms. Holdren also attempted to have Patient C transferred to the Intensive Care Unit, although her medical condition did not support such transfer.
 - Ms. Holdren's employment was terminated effective May 8, 2013.
- 5. On the application for employment with Carilion dated February 22, 2011, Ms. Holdren falsely stated that she was currently employed at MFA Raleigh Court Health; however, her employment was terminated on January 18, 2011, which she reported to the Virginia Employment Commission.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Findings of Fact Nos. 3(a) and 3(b) constitute a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(f) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing ("Regulations").
- 2. Finding of Fact No. 3(c) constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(b) and (f) of the Regulations.
- 3. Finding of Fact No. 5 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) of the Regulations.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Loria E. Holdren, R.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
- 2. Ms. Holdren shall provide the Board with verification that she has completed the following NCSBN online courses within 60 days of the entry of this Order: <u>Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses</u> and <u>Righting a Wrong</u>: <u>Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing</u>.
- 3. Ms. Holdren shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a professional nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 et seq. of the Code and the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.
- 4. Any violation of the terms and conditions of this Order or of any law or regulation affecting the practice of nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia shall constitute grounds for the suspension or revocation of the license of Loria E. Holdren, R.N., and an administrative proceeding shall be convened to determine whether such license shall be suspended or revoked.

Pursuant to § 54.1-2400.2 of the Code, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody

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of the Department of Health Professions as a public record, and shall be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

Since Ms. Holdren failed to appear at the informal conference, this Order shall be considered final. Ms. Holdren 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. Holdren 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, Henrico, Virginia 23233. In the event that this decision is served by mail, three (3) days are added to that period.

FOR THE BOARD:

Jay P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.

Executive Director

Virginia Board of Nursing

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