

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE: JULIE R. BANGS, R.N.**  
**License No.: 0001-207169**

**ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION**

Pursuant to §§ 54.1-110 and 54.1-2408.1 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), a quorum of the Board of Nursing (“Board”) met by telephone conference call on March 19, 2014, after a good faith effort to convene a regular meeting of the Board had failed. The purpose of the meeting was to receive and act upon certain information indicating that Julie R. Bangs, R.N., may have violated certain laws relating to the practice of professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as more fully set forth in the attached “NOTICE OF HEARING and STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS,” which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

WHEREUPON, pursuant to its authority under § 54.1-2408.1(A) of the Code, the Board concludes that a substantial danger to public health or safety warrants this action and ORDERS that the license of Julie R. Bangs, R.N., License No. 0001-207169 to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby SUSPENDED. It is further ORDERED that a hearing be convened forthwith to receive and act upon evidence in this case and that the Executive Director of the Board shall be authorized to execute this Order and all other documents, notices and orders on behalf of the Board necessary to bring this matter to a hearing.

Upon entry of this Order, the license of Julie R. Bangs, R.N., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.

This Order shall be applicable to Ms. Bangs’ multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice professional 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 or copying on request.

FOR THE BOARD

*Gloria Mitchell*

*for* Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE  
Executive Director  
Virginia Board of Nursing

Entered: *March 25, 2014*

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**NOTICE OF HEARING**

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), Julie R. Bangs, R.N., who, prior to its summary suspension by the Board of Nursing on March 25, 2014, held License No. 0001-207169 to practice professional nursing in Virginia, which was set to expire on May 31, 2015, is hereby given notice that a formal administrative hearing will be held in the presence of a panel of the Board of Nursing. The hearing will be held on May 19, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., at the offices of the Department of Health Professions, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia 23233, at which time Ms. Bangs will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

At the hearing, Ms. Bangs has the following rights, among others: the right to representation by counsel; the right to have witnesses subpoenaed and to present witnesses on her behalf; the right to present documentary evidence; and the right to cross-examine adverse witnesses. If Ms. Bangs desires any witnesses to appear on her behalf, she must notify the Director of Administrative Proceedings, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in accordance with the Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas.

The purpose of the hearing is to inquire into evidence that Ms. Bangs may have violated certain laws and regulations governing professional nursing practice in Virginia, as more fully set forth in the Statement of Particulars below.

**STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS**

The Board alleges that:

1. Julie R. Bangs, R.N., may be in violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code in that she may be unable to safely practice professional nursing due to substance abuse and/or mental illness, as evidenced by the following:

a. On or about November 15, 2013, following an incident of bizarre behavior at her place of employment, Ms. Bangs was hospitalized for psychiatric treatment at Poplar Springs Hospital, where she was diagnosed with Bipolar Type I with recent hypomanic to manic episode.

b. On or about December 7, 2011, Ms. Bangs signed a Participation Contract with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP"), in which she acknowledged that she "may suffer from the disease of chemical abuse and/or dependency and/or mental illness and/or physical illness that may impair [her] ability to practice [her] health profession safely." On or about December 18, 2013, Ms. Bangs was dismissed from the HPMP for noncompliance, including failing to call the test line and for working at the University of Virginia Medical Center without authorization from HPMP.


2. Ms. Bangs may have violated § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (6) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing in that:

a. During the course of her employment with the University of Virginia Medical Center, by her own admission, Ms. Bangs diverted Benadryl and morphine (Schedule II) for her personal and unauthorized use on one occasion.

b. During the course of her employment with the McGuire Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Richmond, Virginia, by her own admission, between about January 1, 2011, and June 11, 2011, Ms. Bangs diverted multiple medications, including Fioricet (caffeine/acetaminophen/butalbital - Schedule III),

morphine (Schedule II), ketorolac, furosemide, and other facility supplies for her personal and unauthorized use.

FOR THE BOARD

  
per Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE  
Executive Director for the  
Board of Nursing

ENTERED: March 25, 2014