

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

**IN RE: STACEY REXRODE, L.P.N.
License No.: 0002-049325**

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 April 9, 2013, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Stacey Rexrode, L.P.N., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing nursing practice in Virginia. Ms. Rexrode was present and was not represented by counsel.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Committee adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Stacey Rexrode, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-049325 to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia on May 11, 1994. Said license expires on November 30, 2013. Ms. Rexrode’s primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. By letter dated March 18, 2013, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Ms. Rexrode notifying her that an informal conference would be held on April 9, 2013. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 1160 Ohio Street, Lot 3, Waynesboro, Virginia 22980, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. The Notice was also sent to 6492 Potomac River Road, Monterey, Virginia 24465, a secondary address.
3. During the course of her employment with Avante of Waynesboro, Waynesboro, Virginia, on one occasion, Ms. Rexrode received Vicodin (C-III) from a co-worker for her personal and unauthorized use.

Further, on June 3, 2011 Ms. Rexrode was terminated from the Brian Center, Fincastle, Virginia, for inappropriate behavior and sleeping on the job. By her own admission, she took one of her roommate's Xanax (C-IV) prior to reporting to her shift. Ms. Rexrode stated that she was upset about a personal matter and had not slept the night before. She admitted that she should not have reported for her shift that day.

4. Ms. Rexrode stated that she is still currently employed with Avante.

5. Ms. Rexrode presented in a tearful and depressed manner. She stated that she was extremely depressed regarding this matter.

6. Ms. Rexrode stated that she has had a history of mental illness and was receiving treatment, but has since stopped treatment due to her excessive work hours. Ms. Rexrode stated that she has been working over 100 hours every two-week pay period for several months.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 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.

ORDER

On the basis of the foregoing, the Committee hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Stacy Rexrode, L.P.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.

2. Ms. Rexrode shall have an evaluation by a mental health and chemical dependency specialist satisfactory to the Board and shall have a written report of the evaluation, including a diagnosis, recommended course of therapy, prognosis, and any recommendations sent to the Board within 45 days after the date that this Order is entered. Upon receipt of the required information, the Board may request that Ms. Rexrode reappear before a Special Conference Committee in order to consider the specialist's recommendations and to make a final disposition of the matter.

3. Ms. Rexrode shall comply with any recommendations of the specialist. If therapy is recommended, written quarterly progress reports by the therapist shall be sent to the Board by the last day of the month for a period of six months following entry of this Order. Ms. Rexrode shall direct the therapist to notify the Board if she withdraws from the treatment program before the end of the six-month period.

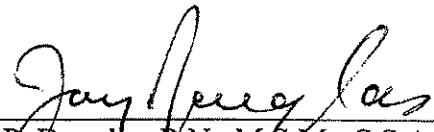
4. Ms. Rexrode shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a practical nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

5. 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 Ms. Rexrode and an administrative proceeding shall be convened to determine whether such license shall be suspended or revoked.

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, Ms. Rexrode may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on May 28, 2013, 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.

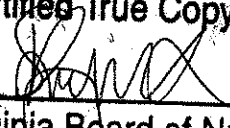
FOR THE COMMITTEE:



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

ENTERED: April 25th, 2013

This Order shall become final on May 28, 2013, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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