VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

MARY H. TAYLOR, L.P.N.

License No.: 0002-022543

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 March 4, 2014, in Henrico County, Virginia. Mary H. Taylor, L.P.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. Taylor 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. Mary H. Taylor, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-022543 to practice practical

nursing in Virginia on May 26, 1976. The license is scheduled to expire on May 31, 2014. 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. Taylor notifying her that an informal conference would be held on March 4,

2014. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 31366 Old Stage Road, Glade Spring,

Virginia 24340, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. The certified mail receipt was

signed on February 21, 2014. 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. Taylor, and the informal

conference proceeded in her absence.

- 3. During the course of her employment with Johnston Memorial Hospital, Abingdon, Virginia, on March 25, 2013, Ms. Taylor administered Lovenox (enoxaparin, Schedule VI) to a patient who was not her assigned patient and who did not have an order for this medication. Further, Ms. Taylor failed to administer the Lovenox to her assigned patient who did have an order for this medication.
- 4. The patient who received the incorrect medication was given urgent care, and an antidote was administered to prevent possible effects of the Lovenox.
 - 5. Ms. Taylor's employment was terminated on April 1, 2013.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes 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.

<u>ORDER</u>

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Mary H. Taylor, L.P.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
- 2. Ms. Taylor 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 Regulations Governing the Practice of 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. Taylor failed to appear at the informal conference, this Order shall be considered final.

Ms. Taylor has the right to appeal this Order directly to the appropriate Virginia circuit court. As provided

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by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, Ms. Taylor 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:

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

Executive Director

Virginia Board of Nursing

Entered: June 3, 2014

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