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February 26, 2001

Deborah S. Heisler  
109 Mountain Lane Terrace  
Vinton, VA 24179

**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**Z 057 545 120**

RE: License No.: 0001-066306  
0024-066306

Dear Ms. Heisler:

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), you are hereby given notice that your license to practice as a professional nurse and your license to practice as a nurse practitioner in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been mandatorily suspended by the enclosed Order entered February 26, 2001.

Section 54.1-2409 of the Code further provides that you may apply to the Board of Nursing ("Board") for reinstatement of your licenses, and shall be entitled to a hearing not later than the next regular meeting of the Board after the expiration of thirty days from the receipt of such reinstatement application. You have the following rights, among others: to be represented by legal counsel, to have witnesses subpoenaed on your behalf, to present documentary evidence and to cross-examine adverse witnesses. The reinstatement of your licenses shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the Board of Nursing.

Should you wish to petition the Board of Nursing for reinstatement of your licenses, contact Nancy Durrett, Executive Director, at the above address or (804)662-9909.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of John W. Hasty in cursive script.

John W. Hasty

Enclosures  
Case # 53810

cc: John S. Edwards, Esquire  
Emily O. Wingfield, Assistant Attorney General  
Katherine Wax, Probation Analyst  
Donna Whitney, Intervention Program Committee Coordinator  
Sandra Barton, Investigator (79696)

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

**IN RE:           DEBORAH S. HEISLER, R.N., L.N.P.**  
**License No.: 0001-066306**  
**0024-066306**

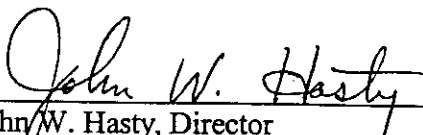
**ORDER**

In accordance with Section 54.1-2409 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, ("Code"), I, John W. Hasty, the Director of the Virginia Department of Health Professions, received and acted upon evidence that Deborah S. Heisler, R.N., L.N.P., was convicted by the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Virginia, of obtaining Nubain, a controlled substance, by fraud, a felony. A certified copy of the Sentencing Order is attached to this Order and is marked as Commonwealth's Exhibit No. 1.

WHEREFORE, by the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, it is hereby ORDERED that the license of Deborah S. Heisler, R.N., L.N.P., to practice as a professional nurse and the license to practice as a nurse practitioner in the Commonwealth of Virginia be, and hereby is, SUSPENDED.

Upon entry of this Order, the licenses of Deborah S. Heisler, R.N., L.N.P., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current. In the event that Ms. Heisler seeks reinstatement of her licenses pursuant to Section 54.1-2409 of the Code, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of each license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

Pursuant to Section 9-6.14:14 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.

  
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John W. Hasty, Director  
Department of Health Professions

ENTERED: 2/26/01



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### CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS

I, John W. Hasty, Director of the Department of Health Professions, hereby certify that the attached Sentencing Order entered November 16, 2000, regarding Deborah S. Heisler, R.N., L.N.P., is a true copy of the records received from the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Virginia.

John W. Hasty Date: 2/26/01

John W. Hasty

VIRGINIA:

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

SENTENCING ORDER

FIPS CODE: 067

HEARING DATE: NOVEMBER 8, 2000

JUDGE: HONORABLE B. A. DAVIS, III, JUDGE DESIGNATE

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

v.

99 05 8042

DEBORAH SUSAN HEISLER, DEFENDANT

This case came before the Court for sentencing of the defendant, who appeared according to the condition of recognizance, and came also, Carolyn H. Furrow, attorney for the defendant. The Commonwealth was represented by Patrick T. Nix.

On September 20, 1999, the defendant entered a plea of not guilty, and was found guilty of the following offense:

<u>CASE NUMBER</u>	<u>OFFENSE DESCRIPTION AND INDICATOR (F/M)</u>	<u>OFFENSE DATE</u>	<u>VIRGINIA CODE SECTION</u>
99 05 8042	obtain Nubain, a controlled substance by fraud (F)	02/19/1999	18.2-258.1

On October 21, 1999, the Court set aside the finding of guilt, and withheld finding and sentencing for a period of twelve months upon the condition that the defendant keep the peace and be of good behavior, and be placed on supervised probation for a period of twelve months.

And on November 8, 2000, the pre-sentence report was considered and is ORDERED filed as a part of the record in this case in accordance with the provisions of Virginia Code §19.2-299.

Pursuant to the provisions of Virginia Code §19.2-298.01, the Court has considered and reviewed the applicable discretionary sentencing guidelines and the guidelines worksheets. The sentencing guidelines worksheets and the written explanation of any departure from the guidelines are ORDERED filed as a part of the record in this case.

Before pronouncing the sentence, the Court inquired if the defendant desired to make a statement and if the defendant desired to advance any reason why judgment should not be pronounced.



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The Court re-imposes the finding of guilt and SENTENCES the defendant to:  
 Incarceration with the Virginia Department of Corrections for the term of one year.  
 The Court SUSPENDS the execution of the one year sentence imposed herein.

The CONDITIONS OF THE SUSPENDED SENTENCE are:

**GOOD BEHAVIOR:** The defendant is ORDERED to keep the peace and be of good behavior.

**SUPERVISED PROBATION:** The defendant is placed on supervised probation to commence November 8, 2000, under the supervision of a Probation Officer, for a period of three years, unless released sooner by the Court or by the Probation Officer. The defendant shall comply with all the rules and requirements set by the Probation Officer, and previously adopted by this Court. Probation shall include substance abuse counseling and/or testing as prescribed by the Probation Officer.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE ASSESSMENT:** While incarcerated and/or while on supervised probation, the defendant shall complete any substance abuse screening, assessment, testing, and treatment as directed by the Department of Corrections and is subject to payment of any fees associated with substance abuse treatment or intervention as required by the treatment or intervention program on an ability to pay basis.

**COURT COSTS:** The defendant is ORDERED to pay Court costs in the amount of \$348.00, due immediately, payment of costs to be monitored by the Probation Officer. If defendant petitions for installment payments and fails to pay as agreed, collection will be handled through the Virginia Department of Taxation.

After pronouncing sentence, the Court advised the defendant of the right to petition for an appeal to the Court of Appeals of Virginia, and of the right to proceed in forma pauperis, and to have the assistance of court-appointed counsel.

The Court certifies that at all times during the trial of this case, the defendant was personally present and the attorney was likewise personally present, and capably represented the defendant.

DATE 11.16.00 ENTER: B.N. Davis  
 JUDGE DESIGNATE

**DEFENDANT IDENTIFICATION:**  
 ALIAS:  
 DOB: AUGUST 23, 1959      SSN: 229 86 8507      SEX: F  
**SENTENCING SUMMARY:**  
 TOTAL SENTENCE IMPOSED: ONE YEAR  
 TOTAL SENTENCE SUSPENDED: ONE YEAR  
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A Copy Teste:  
 Alice S. Hall, Clerk  
  
 Deputy Clerk