

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: NINA MORRISON, R.N. REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT
License No.: 0001-120558

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 7, 2014, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon Nina Morrison’s application for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing in Virginia and inquire into evidence that Ms. Morrison may have violated certain laws and regulations governing professional nursing practice. Ms. Morrison was present and was represented by James Wilson, Esquire.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Nina Morrison, R.N., was issued License No. 0001-120558 to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia on August 29, 1990. Said license was suspended by Order of the Board entered on August 1, 2011. Ms. Morrison’s primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. By letter dated March 10, 2014, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Ms. Morrison notifying her that an informal conference would be held on April 7, 2014. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 550 Coalfield Road, #105, Midlothian, Virginia, 23114, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing.
3. Ms. Morrison submitted an application for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing which was received by the Board on October 23, 2013.

4. Ms. Morrison has a diagnosis of schizoaffective disorder, for which she was involuntarily hospitalized five times between August 2012 and July 2013.

5. Ms. Morrison stated that her illness is currently well-managed with monthly administrations of Haldol, which is prescribed by a psychiatrist.

6. Ms. Morrison acknowledged that she must remain compliant with the medication protocol to manage her illness.

7. Ms. Morrison signed a Participation Contract with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP") on February 4, 2014.

8. A senior clinician with Intensive Community Treatment Team from Chesterfield County stated that Ms. Morrison has been compliant with all aspects of the mandatory and voluntary treatment programs. He further stated that they were exploring incorporating Ms. Morrison's treatment with her participation in the HPMP.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Finding of Fact No. 4 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code.
2. Based on the above Findings of Fact, the Committee concludes that Ms. Morrison is properly enrolled in the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program ("HPMP").
3. The Board concludes that Ms. Morrison has not demonstrated satisfactory evidence that she is prepared to resume practice in a safe and competent manner.

ORDER

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

1. Nina Morrison's application for reinstatement of License No. 0001-120558 to practice as a professional nurse in the Commonwealth is hereby DENIED.

2. License No. 0001-158556 issued to Ms. Morrison to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby continued on INDEFINITE SUSPENSION. Said suspension shall be STAYED upon the condition that she remain compliant with the terms of a Recovery Monitoring Contract with the HPMP and the following terms and conditions:

a. Ms. Morrison shall comply with all terms and conditions for the period specified by the HPMP.

b. Any violation of the terms and conditions stated in this Order shall be reason for summarily rescinding the stay of indefinite suspension of the license of Ms. Morrison, and an administrative proceeding shall be held to decide whether her license shall be revoked. The stay of indefinite suspension may be summarily rescinded at such time the Board is notified that:

i. Ms. Morrison is not in compliance with the terms and conditions specified by the HPMP, or has been terminated from participation in the HPMP, or

ii. There is a pending investigation or unresolved allegation involving a violation of law, regulation or any term or condition of this Order.

3. This order shall be applicable to Ms. Morrison's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice professional nursing. For the duration of this Order, Ms. Morrison shall not work outside the Commonwealth of Virginia pursuant to a multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the Virginia Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Ms. Morrison wishes to work. Any request for out of state employment shall be directed, in writing, to the Executive Director of the Board.

4. Upon receipt of evidence of Ms. Morrison's participation in and successful completion of the terms specified by the HPMP, the Board, at its discretion, may waive Ms. Morrison's appearance before the

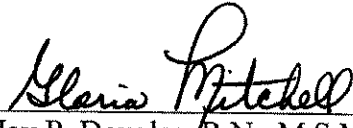
Board, and conduct an administrative review of this matter, at which time she may be issued an unrestricted license.

5. Ms. Morrison 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 Board of Nursing Regulations.

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.

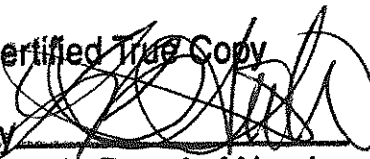
Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400(10) of the Code, Ms. Morrison may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on **June 9, 2014**, notify Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in writing that she desires a formal administrative hearing before the Board. Upon the filing with the Executive Director of a request for the hearing, this Order shall be vacated.

FOR THE COMMITTEE:


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

ENTERED: May 7, 2014

This Order shall become final on **June 9, 2014**, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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By 
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