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NOTICE OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

September 25, 2012

Leslie Trahe, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 11500 Summit West Blvd., Apt 29-A Temple Terrace, FL 33617

<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> 7196 9008 9111 0161 7014

Re:

License No.:

0001-174777

Expiration Date:

September 19, 2006

Dear Ms. Trahe:

This is official notification that an informal conference will be held pursuant to §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021, and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), on October 23, 2012, at 1:00 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia 23233. You may be represented by an attorney at the conference. This informal conference will be convened as a public meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3700 et seq. of the Code.

The Special Conference Committee ("Committee"), which is comprised of at least two members of the Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board"), will receive and act upon your application for the reinstatement of your license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia, which was indefinitely suspended by Order of the Board entered September 19, 2006, and will inquire into allegations that you may have violated certain laws and regulations governing professional nursing practice in Virginia.

Specifically:

1. You may have violated § 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 ("Regulations") in that during the course of your employment with OHME/Central Health Alliance, Leesburg, Florida, on or about January 13, 2011, you failed to follow a physician's order to instruct a patient and the patient's family to catheterize the patient after dinner and at bedtime and a physician's order to perform a bladder scan prior to catheterizing the patient. You later stated that you did not see the order, and if you had seen it, you would not have carried out the order due to your patient load.

- 2. You may have violated § 54.1-3007(2) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) of the Regulations in that:
- a. On your employment application with Maxim Healthcare Services dated on or about March 16, 2010, you stated your reason for leaving Riverside Regional Medical Center, Newport News, Virginia, was because you "changed to L &O" when, in fact, your employment was terminated. Moreover, you failed to list the Florida Department of Corrections, where you were dismissed on August 21, 2009, as a previous employer. On April 26, 2010, you submitted an online employment application with Maxim Healthcare Services in which you falsely stated that you left Riverside Regional Medical Center because you "moved to FL."
- b. On your employment application with OHME/Central Health Alliance dated September 23, 2010, which required you to list your employers for the last ten years, you failed to list Riverside Regional Medical Center and the Florida Department of Corrections as previous employers.
- c. On your employment application with Florida Hospital, Waterman, Florida, dated on or about May 5, 2005, you stated your reason for leaving Riverside Regional Medical Center was because you "changed jobs" when, in fact, your employment was terminated.

After the informal conference, the Committee is authorized by § 54.1-2400(10) of the Code to take any of the following actions:

- The Committee may reinstate your license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth without restriction;
- The Committee may reinstate your license and place you on probation for such time as it may designate and subject to such terms and conditions as it may deem appropriate, reprimand you, or impose a monetary penalty;
 - The Committee may deny your application for reinstatement of your license;

Further, the Committee may refer the case to the Board of Nursing or a panel thereof for a formal hearing. If the Committee is of the opinion that suspension or revocation may be justified, the Committee may offer you a Consent Order for suspension or revocation in lieu of a formal hearing.

If you fail to appear at the informal conference, the Committee may proceed to hear the case in your absence and may take any of the actions outlined above. At least ten days prior to the scheduled date of the conference, please inform this office at (804) 367-4515, or in writing at the address listed above, of your telephone number and whether you intend to appear at the informal conference.

To facilitate this proceeding, you should submit five copies of any documents you wish the Committee to consider to the Department of Health Professions, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, by October 16, 2012. Your documents may not be submitted by facsimile or email.

You have the right to the information on which the Board will rely in making its decision. Therefore, I have enclosed a copy of the documents that will be distributed to the members of the Committee and will be considered by the Committee when discussing any allegations with you and when deliberating on your case. These documents are enclosed only with the original notice sent by certified mail, which you may be required to claim at the post office. Please bring these documents with you to the informal conference.

Relevant sections of the Administrative Process Act, which govern proceedings of this nature, as well as laws relating to the practice of nursing and other healing arts in Virginia cited in this notice, can be found on the Internet at http://leg1.state.va.us. To access this information, please click on the Code of Virginia for statutes and Virginia Administrative Code for regulations.

Sincerely,

Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S. Deputy Executive Director

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Enclosures

cc:

Anne G. Joseph, Deputy Director, Administrative Proceedings Division Special Conference Committee Members James E. Rutkowski, Adjudication Specialist Joyce Shelton Jones, Senior Investigator (Case No. 144701)