

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

**IN RE: KAREN F. HILL, R.N.
 License No.: 0001-150203**

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), Karen F. Hill, R.N., who holds License No. 0001-150203 to practice professional nursing in Virginia, which expires on February 28, 2015, is hereby given notice that a formal administrative hearing will be held in the presence of a panel of the Board of Nursing. The hearing will be held on March 19, 2014, at 2:00 p.m., at the offices of the Department of Health Professions, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia 23233, at which time Ms. Hill will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

At the hearing, Ms. Hill has the following rights, among others: the right to representation by counsel; the right to have witnesses subpoenaed and to present witnesses on her behalf; the right to present documentary evidence; and the right to cross-examine adverse witnesses. If Ms. Hill desires any witnesses to appear on her behalf, she must notify the Director of Administrative Proceedings, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in accordance with the Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas.

The purpose of the hearing is to inquire into evidence that Karen F. Hill, R.N., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing professional nursing practice in Virginia, as more fully set forth in the Statement of Particulars below.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

The Board alleges that:

1. Karen F. Hill, R.N., may have violated § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code in that Ms. Hill may be unable to safely practice nursing due to mental illness as evidenced by her admission to St. Albans Hospital (Carilion New River Valley Medical Center), Radford, Virginia, on or about April 18, 2013, under a Temporary Detention Order.

2. Ms. Hill may have violated § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(a) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing (“Regulations”) in that during the course of her employment at Radford Health and Rehab, Radford, Virginia, on or about April 13, 2013, Ms. Hill administered 5 units of insulin to Patient A, who had a physician’s order for 20 units of insulin.

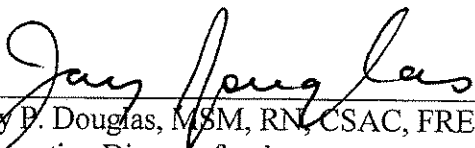
3. Ms. Hill may have violated § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(f) of the Regulations in that during the course of her employment at Amedisys Home Health of Beckley, West Virginia, on or about September 7, 2012, while providing care to Client B, who was 90 years old and suffered from Alzheimer’s disease, the client became combative. Ms. Hill responded by holding Client B’s arms down in a forceful manner and yelling at her.

4. Ms. Hill may have violated § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) of the Regulations in that she falsified the following employment applications:

a. On the application for Radford Health and Rehab dated February 17, 2013, Ms. Hill indicated that she left Bristol Regional Medical Center because she “desired a change,” when, in fact, her employment was terminated.

b. On the application for Grace Healthcare of Abingdon, Abingdon, Virginia, dated April 12, 2013, Ms. Hill indicated that her reason for leaving Bristol Regional Medical Center was “needed a change,” when, in fact, her employment was terminated.

FOR THE BOARD



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