

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

RONALD M. SCHNEIDER, R.N.

ORDER

Pursuant to § 9-6.14:11 and § 54.1-3010 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (the "Code"), a Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing met on August 16, 1995, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon evidence that Ronald M. Schneider, R.N., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of professional nursing in Virginia, and to consider a modification to the terms of Mr. Schneider's probation. Mr. Schneider was present and was not represented by counsel. Upon consideration of the evidence presented, the Board adopted the following Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Ronald M. Schneider, R.N., holds License No. 0001-134875 issued by the Virginia Board of Nursing.
2. During the course of his employment with the Medical College of Virginia Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, on or about February 9, 1994, Mr. Schneider provided nursing care to Patient A. On February 10, 1994, by his own admission, Mr. Schneider returned to the hospital while off duty to visit Patient A. During this visit, Mr. Schneider was seen kissing the patient on the lips. As a result of this incident, Mr. Schneider resigned his employment on February 16, 1994.
3. As of August 16, 1995, Mr. Schneider was in compliance with

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the terms and conditions of his probation.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

This matter is properly before this Committee who has the authority to consider a modification of the terms and conditions of probation as set forth in the Order entered October 27, 1994.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, the Virginia Board of Nursing, effective upon entry of this Order, hereby ORDERS that Ronald M. Schneider, R.N., be CONTINUED on PROBATION subject to the terms and conditions of the Order of Probation entered October 27, 1994, with the following modification:

Mr. Schneider shall direct his nursing employer to provide written nursing performance evaluations to the Board as stated in term number 2.

Any violation of the terms and conditions stated in this Order or the Order of October 27, 1994, shall be reason for revoking the license of Mr. Schneider, and a hearing shall be held to decide whether his license shall be revoked.

The Board shall issue an unrestricted license to Mr. Schneider without a hearing at the completion of the probationary period unless there is a pending investigation or unresolved allegation involving a violation of law, regulation or any term or condition of probation. In that event, the period of probation shall be continued indefinitely or until such time as the Board makes a case decision in accordance with the Administrative Process Act, § 9-6.14:1 et seq. of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

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Pursuant to § 9-6.14:14 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, 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 inspections or copying on request.

If Mr. Schneider does not consent to the committee's decision and desires a hearing before the Board or a panel thereof, he shall notify, in writing, Corinne F. Dorsey, R.N., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 6606 W. Broad Street, Fourth Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23230-1717 within thirty-three (33) days from the date of entry of this Order. This Order shall become final upon the expiration of the thirty-three-day period unless a written request for a formal hearing is received within such time. Upon receiving timely request for a hearing, the Board or panel thereof shall then proceed with a hearing as provided in §9-6.14:12 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

FOR THE BOARD

Corinne F. Dorsey
Corinne F. Dorsey, R.N.
Executive Director

August 30, 1995
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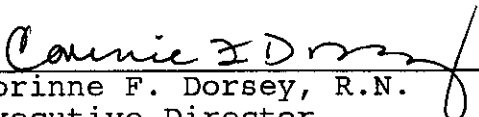
Received: Aug 31, 1995

By: John W. Hasty
John W. Hasty, Director
Department of Health Professions

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a certified true copy of the foregoing order was mailed on this day to Ronald M. Schneider at 10543 Glenmar Court, Glen Allen, Virginia 23060



Corinne F. Dorsey, R.N.
Executive Director

September 7, 1995
Date