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DUPLICATE COPY  
VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

DATE 12/12/16

RE: License Number: 0002-068384  
Case Number: 177313

Dear Ms. Cobbler:

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, you are hereby given notice that your license to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been mandatorily suspended by the enclosed Order entered December 9, 2016. You are hereby advised that you may not practice practical nursing or hold yourself out as a licensed practical nurse unless and until the Board of Nursing has notified you in writing that your license has been reinstated. Please return your license to Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director of the Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board"), at the above address, immediately upon receipt of this letter.

You may apply to the Board for reinstatement of your license, and you shall be entitled to a formal administrative hearing not later than the next regular meeting of the Board after the expiration of 60 days from the Board's receipt of your reinstatement application. The reinstatement of your license shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the Board present at the hearing. The reinstatement application can be found at [www.dhp.virginia.gov/Nursing](http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Nursing).

If you have any questions about this matter, you can contact me at (804) 367-4474 or [anne.joseph@dhp.virginia.gov](mailto:anne.joseph@dhp.virginia.gov).

Sincerely,

Anne Joseph, Deputy Director  
Administrative Proceedings Division

cc: Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, Board of Nursing  
Enclosures

**BEFORE THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

**IN RE: ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER, L.P.N.**  
**License Number: 0002-068384**  
**Case Number: 177313**

**ORDER OF MANDATORY SUSPENSION**

In accordance with Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Virginia Department of Health Professions, received and acted upon evidence that the license of Ann Marie Louise Bell Cobbler, L.P.N., to practice practical nursing in the District of Columbia was revoked by the District of Columbia Board of Nursing. A certified copy of the Order of the Board is attached hereto as Commonwealth's Exhibit 1.

WHEREUPON, by the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, it is hereby ORDERED that the license of Ann Marie Louise Bell Cobbler, L.P.N., to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby SUSPENDED.

Upon entry of this Order, the license of Ann Marie Louise Bell Cobbler, L.P.N., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current and valid. Should Ann Marie Louise Bell Cobbler, L.P.N., seek reinstatement of her license pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

This Order shall be applicable to Ms. Cobbler's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4023 and § 54.1-2400.2, 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 or copying on request.



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David E. Brown, D.C., Director  
Virginia Department of Health Professions

ENTERED:

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12/9/16

**CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS**

I, David E. Brown, D.C., Director of the Department of Health Professions, hereby certify that the attached Order of the Board entered October 14, 2016, regarding Ann Marie Cobbler, L.P.N., is a true copy of the records received from the District of Columbia Board of Nursing.



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David E. Brown, D.C.

Date: 12/9/16

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

Ann Marie Cobbler, LPN

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ORDER OF THE BOARD

Jurisdiction

This matter comes before the District of Columbia Board of Nursing pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 3-1202.04(b)(1) (2001) otherwise known as the Health Occupations Revision Act (“HORA”). The “HORA” provides for the regulation of licensed practical nurses by the D.C. Board of Nursing.

Background

On or about June 15, 2016, Ann Marie Cobbler executed an “Affidavit and Letter of Voluntary Surrender of License.”<sup>1</sup> On September 7, 2016, at its regularly scheduled

<sup>1</sup> The “Affidavit” stated the following:

I agree to voluntarily surrender my license to practice as a practical nurse in the District of Columbia pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 3-1205.17(a) which provides in part:

- (a) Any health professional who is the subject of an investigation into, or pending proceeding involving allegations involving misconduct may voluntarily surrender his or her license or privilege to practice in the District, but only by delivering to the board regulating the health occupation an affidavit stating that the health professional desires to surrender the license or privilege and that the action is freely and voluntarily taken, and not the result of duress or coercion.
- (b) Upon receipt of the required affidavit, the board shall enter an order revoking or suspending the license of the health professional or the privilege to practice.

My decision to surrender my license to practice as a practice nurse in the District of Columbia is predicated on the fact that on or about April 8, 2016, I submitted to the Board of Nursing an “Annual Performance Evaluation – Manager Evaluation” purportedly prepared by S.B., supervisor. The Evaluation listed the evaluation period as “12/30/2014 – 12/29/2015.” However, when S.B. was contacted, she stated

meeting, the Board of Nursing was informed that Ms. Cobbler had voluntarily surrendered her license to practice as a nurse. After a review of the facts surrounding her matter, the Board of Nursing now issues the following:

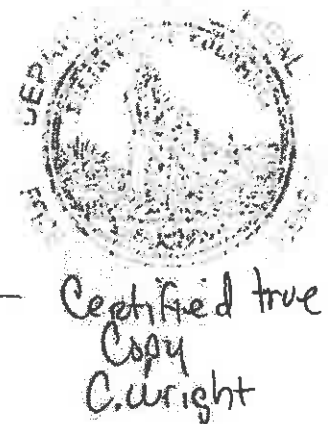
**ORDER**

Based upon the aforementioned it is hereby **ORDERED** that the license of Ann Marie Cobbler, LPN, is hereby **REVOKED**.<sup>2</sup>

10/14/2016

Date

  
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Cathy Borris-Hale, RN, MHA  
Chair, Board of Nursing



As mandated by federal law, 42 USC § 11101<sup>3</sup> and 45 CFR § 60<sup>4</sup>, “the National Practitioner Data Bank – Health Integrity and Protection Data Bank,” this disciplinary action shall be reported to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

that she was not a manager during that time period – thus she did not prepare the evaluation. Board of Nursing staff concluded, and Ms. B agreed, that the evaluation appeared to be “cut and pasted.”

Based on these facts, the Board of Nursing concluded that I violated D.C. Official Code § 3-1210.04(a) which provides:

No person shall file ... with any board ... any statement ... or other evidence if the person knows, or should know, that it is false or misleading.

D.C. Official Code § 3-1205.14(a) provides in part:

Each board ... may take ... disciplinary action against ... any license ... who: (8) Willfully makes or files a false report or record in the practice of a health occupation.

<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 3-1201.01(12A), “Revocation” means termination of the right to practice a health profession and loss of licensure ... for 5 years or more.

<sup>3</sup> United States Code

<sup>4</sup> Code of Federal Regulations