

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER, L.P.N.  
License Number: 0002-068384  
Case Number: 169437

RATIFICATION AND ORDER

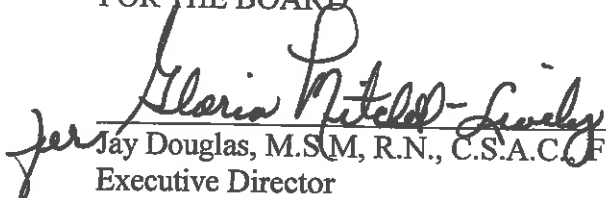
On July 20, 2016, a panel of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER, L.P.N. was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel.

In consideration whereof, the Board of Nursing ACCEPTS the attached Recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Agency Subordinate and ADOPTS the Recommended Order in its entirety.

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 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 and copying upon request.

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Ms. Cobbler may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on August 29, 2016, notify Jay P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E., 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 BOARD

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

Certified True Copy

By   
Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED AND MAILED ON:

July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016

This Order shall become final on August 29, 2016, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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By Stacy E. [Signature]  
Virginia Board of Nursing

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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF AGENCY SUBORDINATE**

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**Jurisdiction and Procedural History**

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4019 and 54.1-2400(10), Jane Elliott, R.N., Ph.D., serving as Agency Subordinate of the Virginia Board of Nursing (“Board”), held an informal conference on April 20, 2016 in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER, L.P.N. may have violated certain terms and conditions as imposed on her by an Order of the Board and certain laws and regulations governing the practice of nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Ms. Cobbler appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Agency Subordinate makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and recommends that the Board adopt the following Order.

**Notice**

By letter dated March 21, 2016, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Ms. Cobbler notifying her that an informal conference would be held on April 20, 2016. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board of Nursing.

**Recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law**

1.       ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER, L.P.N. was issued License Number 0002-068384 to practice practical nursing on April 6, 2004, which is scheduled to expire on May 31, 2016.

At all times relevant to the allegations herein, said license was in full force and effect. She is also licensed to practice practical nursing in the District of Columbia. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.

2. By Order entered January 15, 2014, the Board reprimanded Ms. Cobbler and placed her on indefinite probation under certain terms and conditions, based on findings that the District of Columbia Board of Nursing had placed her on probation for making medication errors. Term No. 2(a) of the Board's 2014 Order stated that the period of probation would end when the District of Columbia Board of Nursing verified that Ms. Cobbler had successfully completed the terms of her D.C. probation. By Consent Order entered April 10, 2015, the Board again reprimanded Ms. Cobbler and continued her on indefinite probation based on findings that Ms. Cobbler had falsely told her compliance case manager that she was not employed and that she had actually been employed in a nursing capacity without Board approval. Term No. 2(a) of the 2015 Order stated that the period of probation would end six months after Ms. Cobbler was released from probation in D.C.

3. ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER, L.P.N. violated Term Number 2(d) of the Board's 2015 Order, which required her to direct her employer to submit quarterly performance reports, in that the Board did not receive the report due June 30, 2015, and the report due September 30, 2015, was received on September 3, 2015.

4. Ann Marie Louise Bell Cobbler, L.P.N. violated Term Number 2(e) of the Board's 2015 Order, which required her to submit quarterly self-reports, in that she submitted the report due June 30, 2015 on both April 28 and August 24, 2015, and she submitted the report due September 30, 2015, on February 19, 2016.

5. Ann Marie Louise Bell Cobbler, L.P.N., violated Term No. 2(f) of the Board's 2015 Order, which required her to conduct herself as a practical nurse in compliance with the laws and

regulations governing the practice of nursing, Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2) and (5), and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(f) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing in that on May 7, 2015, during the course of her employment with Greenspring Assisted Living, Springfield, Virginia, she failed to discontinue a resident's order for thyroid medication when a new order was entered, causing the resident to receive an overdose of the medication between May 7 and June 1, 2015.

6. At the informal conference, Ms. Cobbler stated that she had had a hearing with the District of Columbia Board of Nursing on April 6, 2015, to consider her probationary status, but that she had not yet heard the D.C. Board's decision.

7. Ms. Cobbler stated that she was still employed with Greenspring Assisted Living for 32-40 hours per week, and that she worked for a home pediatric health agency on an as-needed basis approximately once or twice a month.

#### **Recommended Order**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Agency Subordinate recommends that the Board issue an Order as follows:

1. ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER is REPRIMANDED.

2. ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER is CONTINUED on INDEFINITE PROBATION subject to the following terms and conditions:

a. The period of probation shall begin on the date that this Order is entered and shall end at such time as the Board receives verification directly from the District of Columbia Board of Nursing that Ms. Cobbler has successfully completed the terms of probation imposed by the D.C. Board of Nursing.

b. ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER shall notify the Board within ten days, in writing, of any change in employment, including termination, suspension, separation, or other

interruption in practice (including the name and address of any new employer and the date of employment).

c. ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER shall provide her current and each future nursing employer immediately upon employment with a copy of this Order in its entirety.

d. ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER shall ensure that the practice supervisors shall provide quarterly reports to the Board regarding her clinical performance.

e. All reports shall be submitted on a quarterly basis to the Board, with the first report due no later than 60 days from the date this Order is entered and subsequent reports due the last day of the months of March, June, September and December until ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER and the individuals specified above are notified, in writing, that the reporting requirement is ended.

f. ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

g. This Order shall remain in effect until the Board has notified ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER in writing that she is released from probation.

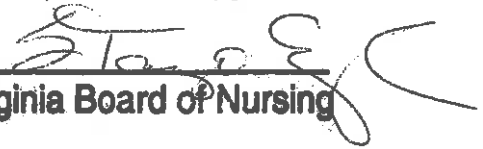
h. This Order is applicable to ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER's multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia. For the duration of this Order, ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER shall not work outside of the Commonwealth of Virginia pursuant to a multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the Virginia Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where she seeks to work. Any requests for out of state employment should be directed, in writing, to the Executive Director of the Board.

i. Failure to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order within five years of the date of entry of the Order may be reason for revoking or suspending the license of ANN MARIE LOUISE BELL COBBLER, and an administrative proceeding shall be held to determine whether to impose such action.

j. Any violation of the foregoing terms and conditions of this Order or any statute or regulation governing the practice of nursing shall constitute grounds for further disciplinary action.

Reviewed and approved on May 3, 2016  
By Jane Elliott, R.N., Ph.D.  
Agency Subordinate

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By   
**Virginia Board of Nursing**