

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

**IN RE: LAURA BULLOCK, C.N.A.
Certificate No.: 1401-135107**

ORDER

In accordance with §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021 and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), an informal conference was conducted on behalf of the Board of Nursing ("Board") on September 24, 2013, in Henrico County, Virginia. Laura Bullock, C.N.A., was present and was not represented by counsel. Judith Piersall, R.N., B.S.N., serving as Agency Subordinate for the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On November 19, 2013, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Ms. Bullock was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel.

Based upon its review of the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate, the Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and issues the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Laura Bullock, C.N.A., was issued Certificate No. 1401-135107 to practice as a nurse aide in Virginia on February 18, 2010. The certificate is scheduled to expire on February 28, 2014.

2. By letter dated August 27, 2013, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Bullock notifying her that an informal conference would be held on September 24, 2013. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 4476 Noah's Lane, Gloucester, Virginia 23061, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing.

3. On January 5, 2013, during the course of her employment with Hope In Home Care, Gloucester, Virginia, Ms. Bullock accompanied Client A to the Emergency Department of Riverside Walter Reed Hospital, Gloucester, Virginia, where she broke into the crash cart in Client A's room and stole boxes of lidocaine (C-VI), epinephrine (C-VI) and adenosine (C-VI).

4. On April 18, 2013, Ms. Bullock was convicted of petit larceny in the Gloucester, Virginia, General District Court, as a result of her theft referenced above. Ms. Bullock sees a counselor as a result of the plea agreement and UDS every two weeks.

5. Ms. Bullock stated that she did not take the medications from the crash cart, but on the advice of her attorney she entered into a plea agreement. Ms. Bullock stated that unbeknownst to her, Client A put the medications in her bag. Client A was a paraplegic and his hands were contracted.

6. When questioned about her relationship with Client A, Ms. Bullock stated that she continued a personal relationship with him after this incident. Ms. Bullock stated that Client A died in May 2013 from a heart attack.

7. Ms. Bullock was asked by the investigator for the Department of Health Professions to take a urine drug screen, but she refused.

8. Ms. Bullock stated that she was not terminated from Hope In Home Care, but that she has not accepted any further assignments. She stated that she is currently employed as a waitress.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2) and (5) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-25-100(2)(c) of the Regulations Governing Certified Nurse Aides.

2. Finding of Fact No. 4 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(4) of the Code.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. Certificate No. 1401-135107 of Laura Bullock to practice as a nurse aide is INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.

2. The certificate will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.

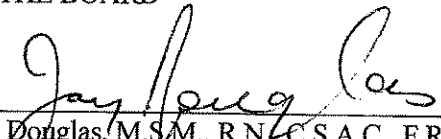
3. At such time as Ms. Bullock shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her certificate, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice as a nurse aide. Ms. Bullock shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the

reinstatement and renewal of the certificate prior to issuance of the certificate to resume practice.

Pursuant to § 54.1-2400.2 of the Code, 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 Section 54.1-2400(10) of the Code, Ms. Bullock may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on **January 15, 2014**, 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 P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Nursing

Entered: December 13th, 2013

This Order shall become final on January 15, 2014; unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

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