

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: CATHERINE WOODSON-HARRIS, L.P.N.

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 February 11, 2009 in Henrico County, Virginia. Ms. Woodson-Harris was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel. Jane Elliott, R.N., Ph.D., serving as Agency Subordinate for the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On March 18, 2009, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Ms. Woodson-Harris 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. Catherine Woodson-Harris, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-060964 to practice practical nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on September 28, 2000. Said license is set to expire on April 30, 2009.

2. By letter dated January 6, 2009, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Woodson-Harris notifying her that an informal conference would be held on February 11, 2009. The notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 8419 Klarey Court, Richmond, Virginia 23228, the address on file with the Board of Nursing. The certified mail receipt

was returned unsigned, but the first class mail was not returned. The Agency Subordinate concluded that Ms. Woodson-Harris received adequate notice and the informal conference proceeded in her absence.

3. During the course of Ms. Woodson-Harris' employment with Virginia Correctional Center for Women, Goochland, Virginia, she practiced nursing on an expired nursing license from May 1, 2007, through July 31, 2007.

4. In an interview with a Department of Health Professions investigator on September 17, 2007, Ms. Woodson-Harris stated that the failure to renew her license was unintentional.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation §§ 54.1-3007(3), 54.1-3008(A)(2) and 54.1-3011(C) of the Code.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. Catherina Woodson-Harris, L.P.N., shall pay a MONETARY PENALTY of \$200 to the Board within 60 days of the entry of this Order.

2. Ms. Woodson-Harris shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a licensed practical nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* of the Code and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

Since Ms. Woodson-Harris failed to appear at the informal conference, this Order shall be considered final. Ms. Woodson-Harris has the right to appeal this Order directly to the appropriate Virginia circuit court. As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, Ms. Woodson-Harris has thirty (30) days from the date of service (the date she actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to her, whichever occurred first) within which to appeal this decision by filing a Notice of Appeal with Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, at Perimeter Center,

9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Richmond, Virginia 23233. In the event that this decision is served by mail, three (3) days are added to that period.

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.

FOR THE BOARD

Jay Douglas
Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C.
Executive Director
Board of Nursing

Entered: March 31ST, 2009

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Order was mailed this day to Catherine Woodson-Harris, L.P.N., at 8419 Klarey Court, Richmond, Virginia 23228.

Jay Douglas
Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C.
Executive Director
Board of Nursing

March 31ST, 2009
DATE

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