

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE:       KARIN GOODBAR, C.N.A.  
          Certificate No.: 1401-154362**

**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 April 8, 2014, in Henrico County, Virginia. Karin Goodbar, C.N.A., was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel. Jane Elliott, serving as Agency Subordinate for the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On May 21, 2014, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Ms. Goodbar 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. Karin Goodbar, C.N.A., was issued Certificate No. 1401-154362 to practice as a nurse aide in Virginia on July 17, 2012. The certificate is scheduled to expire on July 31, 2014.

2. By letter dated March 6, 2014, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Goodbar notifying her that an informal conference would be held on April 8, 2014. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 103 Swinley Forest, Williamsburg, Virginia, 23188, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. The receipt for the Notice sent via certified mail was signed by Ms. Goodbar and returned to the Board office on March 11, 2014. The Notice sent via first-class mail was not returned to the Board office. The Agency Subordinate concluded that adequate notice was provided to Ms. Goodbar and the informal conference proceeded in her absence.

3. On September 23, 2013, the Board entered an Order (“Board’s Order”) reprimanding Ms. Goodbar and taking no further action against her certificate contingent upon her continued compliance with the terms and conditions of the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program (“HPMP”), which she had entered via a Participation Contract on March 26, 2013. This Board action stemmed from findings that Ms. Goodbar had a history of alcohol abuse and had consumed alcohol before reporting to work at the home of a client.

3. By her own admission Ms. Goodbar relapsed on alcohol on October 14 and 15, 2013.

4. On November 18, 2013, Ms. Goodbar was dismissed from the HPMP for noncompliance, including continued use of unauthorized substances.

5. On January 16, 2014, Ms. Goodbar discontinued her treatment at Colonial Behavioral Health, Williamsburg, Virginia, where she was diagnosed with alcohol dependence, depressive disorder, and generalized anxiety.

6. Ms. Goodbar is not currently enrolled in any substance abuse program.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. Finding of Fact Nos. 3 and 4 constitutes violations of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code.

2. Finding of Fact No. 5 constitutes a violation of Term No. 2(a) of the Board’s Order.

#### **ORDER**

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. Certificate No. 1401-154362 of Karin Goodbar, C.N.A., is INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.

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

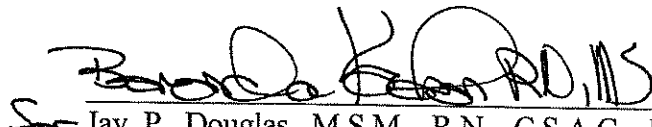
3. At such time as Ms. Goodbar shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her certificate, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether she is capable of

resuming safe and competent nurse aide practice. Ms. Goodbar 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.


Since Ms. Goodbar failed to appear at the informal conference, this Order shall be considered final. Ms. Goodbar 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. Goodbar 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, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E., 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.

FOR THE BOARD

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

Entered: May 30, 2014

Certified True Copy

By   
Virginia Board Of Nursing