

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE:       EMMA B. TOWNES, L.P.N.**  
**License No.: 0002-010500**

**CONSENT ORDER**

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Emma B. Townes, L.P.N., as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Townes' license to practice practical nursing in Virginia.

The Board adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Emma B. Townes, L.P.N., was issued License No. 0002-010500 to practice practical nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on April 25, 1967. Said license is valid in Virginia only and is set to expire on September 30, 2013. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. By Order entered February 5, 2004 ("Board's Order"), the Board placed Ms. Townes on probation under certain terms and conditions for not less than one year of Board-approved employment as a practical nurse.
3. Term No. 6 of the Board's Order required Ms. Townes to enroll in and successfully complete a Board-approved nursing refresher course before she could return to the practice of nursing.
4. Ms. Townes received approval from the Board in July 2005 to enter a course offered by the Licensed Practical Nurse Association of Ohio. To date, Ms. Townes has not completed the approved course.
5. Ms. Townes is currently employed in a non-nursing related position.
6. By letter dated September 24, 2012, Ms. Townes surrendered her nursing license to the Board.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

This matter is properly before the Board.

**CONSENT**

Emma B. Townes, L.P.N., by affixing her signature hereon, agrees to the following:

1. She has been advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document;
2. She acknowledges that without her consent, no legal action can be taken against her except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, § 2.2-4000(A) *et seq.* of the Code;
3. She acknowledges that she has the following rights, among others: the right to an informal fact finding conference before the Board, the right to reasonable notice of said hearing, the right to representation by counsel, and the right to cross-examine witnesses against her;
4. She waives all such right to an informal conference;
5. She admits to the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein and waives her right to contest such Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in any subsequent proceeding before the Board;
6. She consents to the entry of the following Order affecting her right to practice practical nursing in Virginia.

**ORDER**

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, the Virginia Board of Nursing, effective upon entry of this Order, and in lieu of further proceedings, hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. The Board ACCEPTS the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER for INDEFINITE SUSPENSION of Emma B. Townes' license to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
2. The license will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.

3. At such time as Ms. Townes shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice of nursing. Ms. Townes shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

4. This suspension applies to any multistate privilege to practice practical nursing.

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4023 and 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 public record and shall be made available for public inspection or copying upon request.

FOR THE BOARD

Janet Ingalls  
Janet Ingalls, R.N., Ph.D.  
President, Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: Sept. 17, 2013

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

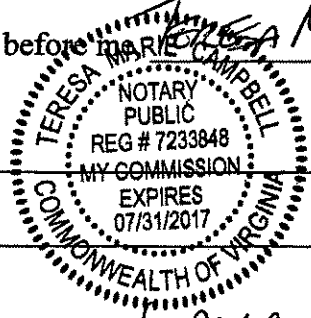
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Emma B. Townes, L.P.N.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,  
COUNTY/CITY OF HENRICO, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before Teresa M. Campbell, a Notary Public, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of SEPT., 2013

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_



Teresa M. Campbell  
NOTARY PUBLIC

Certified True Copy

By [Signature]  
Virginia Board of Nursing