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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: IRENE C. MBANEFO, L.P.N. APPLICANT

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Irene C. Mbanefo, as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Mbanefo's application for licensure by endorsement to practice as a practical nurse in Virginia.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Irene C. Mbanefo submitted an application for licensure by endorsement to practice as a practical nurse in Virginia, which was received by the Board on May 2, 2013. Ms. Mbanefo holds License No. 48218 to practice as a practical nurse in Maryland. Said license is scheduled to expire on April 28, 2014. She also holds License No. 1006106 to practice practical nursing in the District of Columbia which is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2015. Her primary state of residence is the District of Columbia.

2. Ms. Mbanefo was initially licensed in the District of Columbia, which is not a member of the Nurse Licensure Compact. She obtained her license in Maryland through endorsement, which granted her the right to practice in Maryland only. Ms. Mbanefo believed that, due to her license in Maryland, she had multi-state privileges and could practice in the Commonwealth of Virginia. As a result of her error, Ms. Mbanefo practiced as a practical nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia between May 23, 2012 and May 1, 2013, when she was not licensed or authorized to do so.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of §§ 54.1-3007(3) and 54.1-3008(A)(2) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code").

2. Ms. Mbanefo otherwise meets the requirements of §§ 54.1-3020 and 54.1-3021 of the Code.

CONSENT

Irene C. Mbanefo, 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 application 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 that:

1. The application of Irene C. Mbanefo for licensure by endorsement to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby APPROVED, subject to Term No. 2 of this Order, below.
2. Irene C. Mbanefo shall be assessed a monetary penalty of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to be paid to the Board by certified check or money order within thirty (30) days from the date this Consent

Order is entered. Upon receipt of the full amount of the monetary penalty, Ms. Mbanefo shall be issued an unrestricted license to practice as a practical nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

3. Ms. Mbanefo shall conduct herself as a practical nurse in compliance with the requirements of Title 54.1, Chapter 30 of the Code, and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

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

[Handwritten Signature]
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for Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C.
Executive Director, Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: August 14, 2013

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

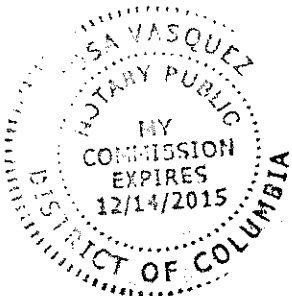
[Handwritten Signature]
Irene C. Mbanefo

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
COUNTY/CITY OF Wash, DC, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Irene C. Mbanefo, a Notary Public, this 8 day of August, 2013.

My commission expires 12/14/13.

Registration Number _____



[Handwritten Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC

Certified True Copy

By *[Handwritten Signature]*
Virginia Board Of Nursing