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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN RE:

MARIA D. JOHNSON, R.N.

License No.: 0001-243308

<u>CONSENT ORDER</u>

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Maria D. Johnson, R.N., as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Johnson's license to practice as a professional nurse in Virginia.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Maria D. Johnson, R.N., was issued License No. 0001-243308 to practice professional nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on March 1, 2013. Said license is set to expire on January 31, 2016. Previously, she held a multi-state privilege to practice professional nursing in Virginia by virtue of her professional nursing license in the state of North Carolina. Said license expired on January 31, 2012, when she declared Virginia her primary state of residence. She was issued License No. 0024-169446 to practice as a nurse practitioner as a certified nurse anesthetist by the Virginia Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine on June 9, 2011. Said license is set to expire on January 31, 2014. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
- 2. During the course of Ms. Johnson's employment as a nurse anesthetist at Valley Anesthesia, P.C., Roanoke, Virginia, she practiced between February 1, 2012 and February 28, 2013, without a valid professional nursing license.
 - 3. As a result of her unlicensed practice, her employment was suspended.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of §§ 54.1-3007(2), (3), and (5) and 54.1-3011(C) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), and 18 VAC 90-20-300(2)(b) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.

CONSENT

Maria D. Johnson, R.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 professional nursing in Virginia.

ORDER

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

1. Maria D. Johnson, R.N., shall pay a MONETARY PENALTY of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to the Board within 60 days of the entry of this Order.

- Maria D. Johnson, R.N., shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a professional nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 et seq. of the Code and the Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners.
- Any violation of the terms and conditions of this Order or of any law or regulation affecting the 3. practice of nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia shall constitute grounds for the suspension or revocation of the license of Ms. Johnson, and an administrative proceeding shall be convened to determine whether such license shall be suspended or revoked.

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: Executive Director, Virginia Board of Nursing ENTERED: SEEN AND AGREED TO: COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA. COUNTY/CITY OF Roanoke/ Salem TO WIT: Subscribed and sworn to before me, Erica Lee Chamberlaina Notary Public, this ,20 7 My commission expires Marc Registration Number_ MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 31, 2016

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