

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE:       ANGELA LUNSFORD, L.P.N.**  
**License No.: 0002-064389**

**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 19, 2014, in Henrico County, Virginia. Angela Lunsford, L.P.N., was not present nor was she represented by legal counsel. Janet Younger, Ph.D., R.N., P.N.P., serving as Agency Subordinate for the Board, submitted a Recommended Decision for consideration.

On March 19, 2014, a quorum of the Board met to receive and act upon the Recommended Decision of the Agency Subordinate. Ms. Lunsford 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. Angela P. Lunsford was issued License No. 0002-064389 to practice practical nursing in Virginia on July 24, 2002. The license is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2014. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
2. By letter dated January 31, 2014, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Ms. Lunsford notifying her that an informal conference would be held on February 19, 2014. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to 56 Duck Hill Lane, Raphine, Virginia 24472, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. The Notice was also sent to 4138 Borden Grant Trail, Fairfield, Virginia 24435, a secondary address. According to the USPS tracking website, notice of the certified mail sent to the address of record was left on February 1, 2014, and the Notice sent by certified mail

to the secondary address was made “available for pickup” on February 6, 2014. The Notices sent by first class mail were not returned to the Board office. The Agency Subordinate concluded that adequate notice was provided to Ms. Lunsford, and the informal conference proceeded in her absence.

3. By Order entered July 3, 2013 (“Board’s Order”), the Board took no action against Ms. Lunsford contingent upon her entry into and compliance with a contract with the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program within 45 days of the entry of the Order. This Order was based on findings that Ms. Lunsford was unable to safely practice nursing due to mental illness, substance abuse, and impairment on duty.

4. Ms. Lunsford failed to enter into a contract with the Health Practitioners’ Monitoring Program.

5. In an interview with an investigator for the Department of Health Professions on October 1, 2013, Ms. Lunsford acknowledged that she failed to enter into the contract as required. She stated that she had no explanation other than she possibly did not want to admit to and deal with the realization of her past actions.

6. As of October 1, 2013, Ms. Lunsford was not employed in a nursing position.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Finding of Fact No. 4 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code and Term No. 1 of the Board’s Order.

#### **ORDER**

WHEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. Angela Lunsford, L.P.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. License No. 0002-064389 of Angela Lunsford, L.P.N., is INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED.
3. The license will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.

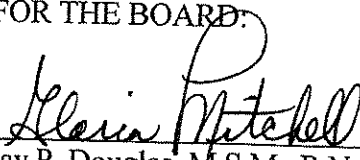
4. At such time as Ms. Lunsford shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice of nursing. Ms. Lunsford shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for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

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

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. Lunsford failed to appear at the informal conference, this Order shall be considered final. Ms. Lunsford 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. Lunsford 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, Henrico, Virginia 23233. In the event that this decision is served by mail, three (3) days are added to that period.

FOR THE BOARD:

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

Entered: April 9, 2014

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By   
Virginia Board of Nursing