

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

**CURRY BOWLING, R.M.A.
Registration No.: 0031-006706**

ORDER

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4019, 2.2-4021, and 54.1-2400(10) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended (“Code”), a Special Conference Committee (“Committee”) of the Virginia Board of Nursing (“Board”) met on June 11, 2013, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Curry Bowling, R.M.A., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing medication aide practice in Virginia. Mr. Bowling was not present and was not represented by legal counsel.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Committee adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Curry Bowling, R.M.A., was issued Registration No. 0031-006706 to practice as a medication aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia on April 30, 2013. Said registration expires on January 31, 2015.
2. By letter dated May 9, 2013, the Board of Nursing sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Mr. Bowling notifying him that an informal conference would be held on June 11, 2013. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to P.O. Box 304, Dublin, Virginia 24084, the address of record on file with the Board of Nursing. Mr. Bowling signed the certified mail receipt on May 13, 2013. The Notice sent by first class mail was not returned to the Board office. The Committee Chair concluded that adequate notice was provided to Mr. Bowling and the informal conference proceeded in his absence.
3. During the course of his employment as a nursing assistant at Wheatland Hills Assisted Living Facility, Christiansburg, Virginia, and while his application for registration as a medication aide was

pending before the Board of Nursing, on December 27-28, 2012, Mr. Bowling, by his own admission, failed to conduct hourly checks on residents and falsely documented that he did conduct the hourly checks.

4. Mr. Bowling's 11-month employment with Wheatland Hills was terminated on January 7, 2013. He had previously been counseled for the same behavior in May 2012.

5. Mr. Bowling told an investigator for the Department of Health Professions that he was not feeling well on the night in question, and that he was responsible for 60-65 residents.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code") and 18 VAC 90-60-120(2)(e) and (f) of the Regulations Governing the Registration of Medication Aides.

ORDER

On the basis of the foregoing, the Committee hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Curry Bowling, R.M.A., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. Mr. Bowling shall maintain a course of conduct in his capacity as a registered medication aide commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 *et seq.* 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 on request.

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400(10) of the Code, Mr. Bowling may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on **July 29, 2013**, notify Jay P. Douglas, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in writing that he desires a formal administrative hearing before the Board. Upon the filing with the Executive Director of a request for the hearing, this Order shall be vacated.

FOR THE COMMITTEE:

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

ENTERED: June 24, 2013

This Order shall become final on **July 29, 2013**, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

Certified True Copy
By [Signature]
Virginia Board of Nursing