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*Katherine A. Thomas*  
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Registered Nurse           §        AGREED  
License Number 239207                       §  
issued to CAROL EVANS GRANNAN       §        ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the B considered the matter of CAROL EVANS GRANNAN, Registered Nurse License Number 239207, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on January 31, 2011, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was served on Respondent and Respondent was given an opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license(s).
2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.
4. Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from El Centro College, Dallas, Texas, on May 1, 1976. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on March 23, 1977.
5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:
 

1976 - 4/1981	Unknown
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Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

5/1981 - 3/1984	Supervisor Day Surgery	Mesquite Community Hospital Mesquite, Texas
4/1985 - 8/1994	OR Nurse Manager	Park Central Surgical Center Dallas, Texas
8/1994 - Present	Director of Nurses	Surgeyecare General Partnership Dallas, Texas

6. At the time of the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent was employed as a Operating Room Nurse Manager with Park Central Surgical Center, Dallas, Texas, and had been in this position for one (1) year and three (3) months.
7. On or about July 23, 1986, in Dallas County Criminal Court, Dallas, Texas, Respondent was sentenced to Deferred Probation for POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA, (a class B misdemeanor offense committed on February 5, 1986), Cause Number MB86-36448. Respondent was placed on community supervision for six (6) months and assessed a fine of two-hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00).
8. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states she was arrested but had no knowledge of any action taken by the court. Respondent states she was in her car with her boyfriend who was in possession of Marijuana which he threw out the window while Respondent was driving. Respondent states that he admitted the Marijuana was his when they went to court and she was dismissed and never received any paperwork from the court.
9. On or about May 9, 2006, when applying to the Board of Nurse Examiners for Registered Nurse License Renewal, Respondent failed to disclose the aforementioned conviction in response to the question:

"Have you ever been convicted, adjudged guilty by a court, plead guilty, no contest or nolo contendere to any crime in any state, territory or country, whether or not a sentence was imposed, including any pending criminal charges, including expunged offenses and deferred adjudications with or without prejudice of guilt?"

Respondent's conduct may have affected the Board's decision to renew her nursing license.

10. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Nine (9), Respondent states she had no knowledge of the action taken by the court and that she did not intend to deceive the Board.
11. At the time of the incident in Finding of Fact Number Twelve (12), Respondent was employed as the Director of Surgery Services with Surgeyecare General Partnership, Dallas, Texas, and had been in this position for thirteen (13) years and ten (10) months.
12. On or about January 12, 2009, while employed as Administrator/Director of Surgery Services at Surgeyecare General Partnership, Dallas, Texas, Respondent had knowledge and allowed unlicensed personnel to administer medicated eye drops to patients in the pre-operative area. Respondent's conduct resulted in patient's receiving medicated eye drops by unlicensed personnel without Registered Nurse Supervision in violation of Texas Department of Health Services regulations.
13. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Twelve (12), Respondent states that unlicensed personnel were administering eye drops but the Texas Department of Health Services cited the facility for the directions on how to administer the eye drops. Respondent adds that the last medicare review was in 2005 and this practice was acceptable until 2009, when they required a Registered Nurse to administer eye drops, which was implemented by the time Medicare revisited their facility.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
2. Notice was served in accordance with law.
3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove violations of Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(B) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(B),(2),(4),(6)(H)&(13).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 239207, heretofore issued to CAROL EVANS GRANNAN, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of REMEDIAL EDUCATION AND A FINE, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.1 *et seq.* and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that, while under the terms of this Order, this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license(s) is/are encumbered by this Order, Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a nurse licensure compact privilege without the written permission of the State of Texas and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

(1) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is not being offered by a pre-approved provider. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include nurses. It shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice,

documentation of care, principles of nursing ethics, confidentiality, professional boundaries, and the Board's Disciplinary Sanction Policies regarding: Sexual Misconduct; Fraud, Theft and Deception; Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder; and Lying and Falsification. Courses focusing on malpractice issues will not be accepted. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Office of the Board to verify RESPONDENT'S successful completion of the course. This course shall be taken in addition to any other courses stipulated in this Order, if any, and in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board has for relicensure. *Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: <http://www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html>.*

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order successfully complete the course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills," a 3.6 contact hour online program provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Learning Extension. In order to receive credit for completion of this program, RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. *Information regarding this workshop may be found at the following web address: <http://learningext.com/hives/a0f6f3e8a0/summary>.*

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two-hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days. Payment is to be made directly to the Texas Board of Nursing in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and RESPONDENT shall be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violations alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order, and any conditions of said Order, to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that when this Order becomes final and the terms of this Order become effective, a copy will be mailed to me. I understand that if I fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, I will be subject to investigation and disciplinary sanction, including revocation of my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

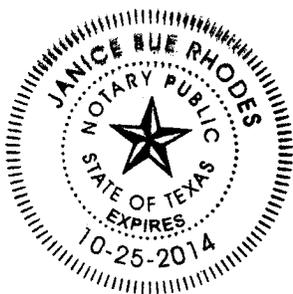
Signed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of Apr., 2011.

Carol Evans Grannan RN  
CAROL EVANS GRANNAN, Respondent

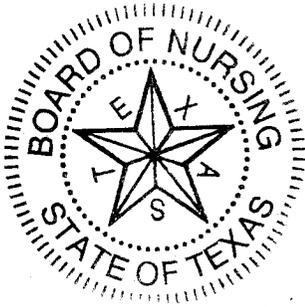
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18<sup>th</sup> day of Apr, 2011.

SEAL

Janice Rhodes  
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas



WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 18th day of April, 2011, by CAROL EVANS GRANNAN, Registered Nurse License Number 239207, and said Order is final.



Effective this 25th day of April, 2011.

  
Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN  
Executive Director on behalf  
of said Board