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*Patricia A. Ramirez*  
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Vocational Nurse           §        AGREED  
License Number 129904                         §  
issued to CRISELDA T. RAMIREZ             §        ORDER

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 129904, issued to CRISELDA T. RAMIREZ, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was provided to 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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Texas Southmost, Weslaco, Texas, on August 19, 1990. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on November 28, 1990.
5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.
6. On or about March 18, 2010, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form to the Texas Board of Nursing in which she answered "Yes" to the question: "Have you, within the past 24 months or since your last renewal, for any criminal offense, including those pending appeal:

- A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
- B. been convicted of a felony?
- C. pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
- D. received deferred adjudication?
- E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
- F. been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? court-ordered confinement?
- G. been granted pre-trial diversion?
- H. been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?
- I. been cited or charged with any violation of the law?
- J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgement/punishment/action?"

Respondent disclosed that on or about August 27, 2009, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty and was convicted of THEFT OF PROPERTY IN AN AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00 OR MORE BUT LESS THAN \$20,000.00, AS CHARGED IN THE INDICTMENT (a State Jail felony offense committed on January 14, 2008), in the 92nd Judicial District Court of Hidalgo County, Texas, under Cause No. CR-3082-09-A. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the State Jail Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for a period of two (2) years; however, the imposition of sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of five (5) years. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay five thousand nine hundred seventy-six dollars and fifty-three cents (\$5,976.53), along with a fine and court costs.

- 7. In response to Finding of Fact Number Six (6), Respondent states that this is a case pertaining to issuance of food stamps and Medicaid benefits for herself and her five children between October 2007 through January 2008. Respondent failed to report that she had started working at El Vaquero Adult Daycare to the Texas Department of Human Services. Since her conviction she has paid court costs and has been making monthly payments on her court fine and probation fees, including restitution to TDHS. She has attended and completed a Theft Offender course and has been completing her community service hours with the Monte Alto Fire Department. She is abiding by all the conditions of her probation.
- 8. On or about March 24, 2010, a fingerprint criminal history search was run which disclosed the following offense:

On or about February 24, 1997, Respondent was arrested by the Hidalgo County Constable, Precinct 1, Hidalgo County, Texas, for SECURE EXECUTION DOC DECEPT>=\$1,500<\$20K (a 3rd Degree felony offense).

On or about August 10, 1998, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to SECURING EXECUTION OF DOCUMENT BY DECEPTION (a State Jail felony offense committed from September 15, 1995, through April 9, 1996), in the 92nd District Court of Hidalgo County, Texas, under Cause No. CR-1345-98-A. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of guilt and Respondent

was placed on probation for a period of four (4) years. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of three thousand eight hundred five dollars and eighty-eight cents, (\$3,805.88) along with a fine and court costs.

9. Respondent, by her signature to this Order, expresses her desire to voluntarily surrender her license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

#### 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)(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(13).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.453(a), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational License Number 129904, heretofore issued to CRISELDA T. RAMIREZ, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

#### ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Vocational License Number 129904, heretofore issued to CRISELDA T. RAMIREZ, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Texas Board of Nursing.

In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice vocational nursing, use the title "vocational nurse" or the abbreviation "LVN" or wear any insignia identifying herself as a vocational nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a vocational nurse during the period in which the license is surrendered.
2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order.
3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

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.

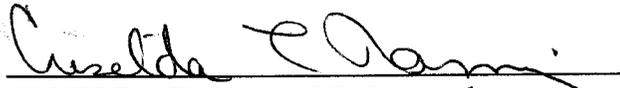
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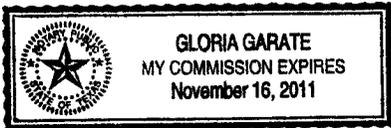
I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violations alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order, and any conditions of said Order, to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order becomes final when accepted by the Executive Director at which time the terms of this Order become effective and a copy will be mailed to me.

Signed this 18th day of January, 2011.

  
CRISELDA T. RAMIREZ, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of January, 2011.

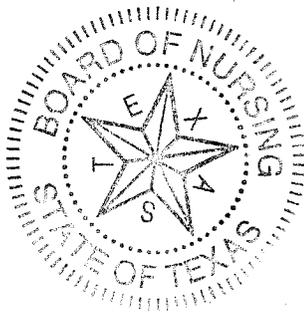
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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby accept the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 129904, previously issued to CRISELDA T. RAMIREZ.

Effective this 1st day of February, 2011.



*Katherine A. Thomas*

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