

Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

01/08 - Present	Nurse	Brookdale Senior Living Houston, Texas
06/09 - Present	Nurse	Regency Village Webster, Texas

5. On July 16, 2010, the Board received a signed and notarized Voluntary Surrender Order from the Respondent indicating her desire to voluntarily surrender the right to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas. However, Respondent signed the incorrect page of the order. A copy of Respondent's notarized statement indicating her desire to voluntarily surrender the right to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, dated July 12, 2010, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.
6. On or about October 6, 2008, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form for License Vocational Nurses 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 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 judgment/punishment/action?

On or about October 3, 2008, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to THEFT \$1500-20K (a State Jail Felony offense committed on September 1, 2006), in the 183rd District Court of Harris County, Texas, under cause No. 1174224. As a result, proceedings were deferred without entering adjudication of Guilt, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of three (3) years and ordered to pay court costs.

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 violation of Section 301.452(b)(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(13).
4. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
5. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
6. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.452 (b), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TAC§§213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

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ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 203730, heretofore issued to RASHEEDA ABDUL-HAKEEM, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Executive Director on behalf of 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 of 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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

Effective this 5 day of August, 2010.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



By:

Katherine A. Thomas

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

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Vocational Nurse § AGREED
License Number 203730 §
issued to RASHEEDA ABDUL-HAKEEM § ORDER

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 203730, issued to RASHEEDA ABDUL-HAKEEM, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c) of the 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.
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 a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from New Orleans Regional Vocational School, New Orleans, Louisiana, on June 27, 2004. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on April 13, 2006.
5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

04/06 - 06/08	Nurse Staffing Agency	Maxim Healthcare Houston, Texas
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Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

12/06 - 03/09	Nurse Staffing Agency	Supplemental Healthcare Houston, Texas
01/08 - Present	Nurse	Brookdale Senior Living Houston, Texas
06/09 - Present	Nurse	Regency Village Webster, Texas

6. On or about October 6, 2008, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form for License Vocational Nurses 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?
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- 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 judgment/punishment/action?

On or about October 3, 2008, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to THEFT \$1500-20K (a State Jail Felony offense committed on September 1, 2006), in the 183rd District Court of Harris County, Texas, under cause No. 1174224. As a result, proceedings were deferred without entering adjudication of Guilt, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of three (3) years and ordered to pay court costs.

7. In response to Finding of Fact Number Six (6), Respondent states: She plead Guilty to the charge of Theft, as advised by her attorney. Respondent was accused of failing to report income to the Texas Department of Health and Human Services when she was receiving TANF, Medicaid, and Food stamps for her then infant daughter from September 1, 2006 - December 31, 2007. Respondent took the offer that she now regrets because she had evidence to prove her innocence. At the time, she was five months pregnant and was mentally and physically unable to handle the pressure of a trial. As of today Respondent has paid back over half of her restitution and is actively completing her community service.

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 a violation 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 203730, heretofore issued to RASHEEDA ABDUL-HAKEEM, including revocation of Respondent's license 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 203730, heretofore issued to RASHEEDA ABDUL-HAKEEM, 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 registered/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 multistate privilege, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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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 violation 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 ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

RASHEEDA ABDUL-HAKEEM, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

SEAL

Notary Public in and for the State of _____

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 203730, previously issued to RASHEEDA ABDUL-HAKEEM.

Effective this 12 day of July, 2010.



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

