

IN THE MATTER OF  
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE  
NUMBER **641205**  
ISSUED TO  
**FRANCES COX**

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BEFORE THE  
TEXAS BOARD  
OF NURSING



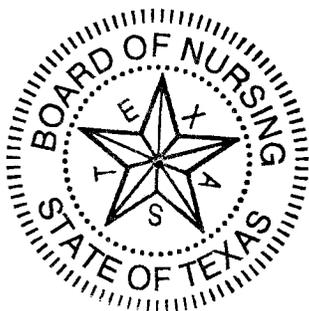
I do hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.  
*Katherine A. Thomas*  
Executive Director of the Board

**ORDER OF THE BOARD**

TO: Frances Cox  
4908 Old Castle Lane  
Dickinson, TX 77539

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the "Board", considered the Staff's Motion for Rehearing filed in the above-styled matter. The Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee of the Board mistakenly approved an order on February 8, 2011, revoking professional nurse license number 641205 issued to Frances Cox. Staff filed a Motion for Rehearing and after review and due consideration of the filed Motion, the Executive Director of the Board **GRANTS** Staff's Motion for Rehearing. The Default Order issued February 8, 2011, revoking professional nurse license number 641205, is set aside.

Entered this 9th day of February, 2011.



TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

*Katherine A. Thomas*

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

IN THE MATTER OF	§	BEFORE THE ELIGIBILITY
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE	§	AND DISCIPLINARY
NUMBER 641205	§	COMMITTEE
ISSUED TO	§	OF THE TEXAS
FRANCES COX	§	BOARD OF NURSING

**ORDER OF THE BOARD**

TO: FRANCES COX  
4908 Old Castle  
Dickinson, Texas 77539

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on February 8, 2011, the Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case. This case was heard, and based on the failure of the Respondent to appear as required by 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee of the Texas Board of Nursing finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458, Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely Notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.

The Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This Order will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing (22 TEX. ADMIN.CODE § 213.2(j)). All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Certificate Number 641205, previously issued to FRANCES COX, to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Permanent Certificate Number 641205, previously issued to FRANCES COX, upon receipt of this Order, be immediately delivered to the office of the Texas Board of Nursing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multi-state privilege, if any, to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 8th day of February, 2011.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

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KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Re: Permanent Certificate Number 641205  
Issued to FRANCES COX  
DEFAULT ORDER -REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, a true and correct copy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served by placement in the U.S. Mail via certified mail, and addressed to the following person(s):

Frances Cox  
4908 Old Castle  
Dickinson, Texas 77539

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

**Raesz, Erin**

**From:** Frances Cox [fdcoxrn@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 07, 2011 3:05 PM  
**To:** Raesz, Erin  
**Subject:** Response to action

Ms. Ramsey,

My name is Frances Cox, RN (641205) and I am scheduled for a hearing February 8, 2011 related to disciplinary action on my nursing license. I would like to explain the charges against me.

**Charge 1**

On June 4, 1985 I was arrested for DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED(LIQUOR) and was convicted on September 15, 1986. I do not dispute this charge. Although I was not licensed as a RN until May of 1995.

**Charge II**

The online application stated that "in the last 24 months or since your last renewal, have you been charged with any crime" I answered NO. I had been charged with a DWI in North Lake, Tx but not convicted. I was not intoxicated, when I was arrested I blew a zero into the machine. Later these charges were dropped. I was sure they would be and the North Lake Police Dept is sending me legal papers stating that this is the case. I made a mistake by responding NO because I was sure that the Police would drop the charges immediately. I also stated NO to the question been sentenced to serve jail time.

**Charge III**

I was arrested and convicted of DWI by the Pearland Police Department, Pearland, Texas on November 3, 2007. I was charged with a felony DWI and it was reduced to a misdemeanor. I was put on probation for 2 years. I am current on all my classes and community service.

**Charge IV**

On November 23, 2009, I again applied on line for renewal, and again I answered NO to the same questions. I had been arrested and been in jail only a few days before.

**Charge V**

On December 9, 2009, I had applied for a temporary license in the State of Louisiana, and it was revoked for failure to disclose prior arrests. I never worked in Louisiana, because of revoked license. I did not disclose this information because I was unaware of the charges that were against me. I understand that ignorance is no excuse.

I have worked very hard for my nursing license for a long time and cannot find a job due to the above charges. I have 2 daughter's that I try to support with my unemployment income. My oldest daughter works in the medical field and my youngest is at the University of Texas perusing her undergraduate work to enter the health care. I have never been so proud to be an influence on my children. Please don't take it away from us, it means everything to me and my children.

I consider myself a professional nurse and act accordingly with the exception of the above issues. I have not worked in 2 years and know one will hire me due to the charges, and I believe that your office is planning to revoke my license tomorrow, please give me hope.. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend the hearing

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tomorrow due to lack of finances.

If there is anything I can do to make this better please let me know, I can be reached at 281 536 3022 and my address is 4908 Old Castle Lane, Dickinson, Texas 77539. Please call or contact me if there is anything else I need to do to keep my license. It's my life and some mistakes where made but they are forgivable.

Sincerely,

Frances Cox

Registered Nurse File - License Number: 641205 Status: CURRENT (C) Status Date: 11/30/2011

Last Name: COX First Name: FRANCES Middle Name:

TGSLC Default: N CE's Required: N CBC Required: N APC Required: N

Address1: 4908 OLD CASTLE Renewal Date: 11/23/2009 Lic. Generated: 11/24/2009
Address2: Reactive Date: 00/00/0000 - Count:
Foreign: Memo1:
City: DICKINSON Memo2: FR 0802 CL
State: TX Zip + 4: 77539 Chg Label: N Business Fax: / -
E-Mail: Duplicate Information:
Lic: - Count: 00
Cert: - Count: 00
Print Dup Flag:

Ss Number: 452-98-2324 Birthdate: 11/25/1959 Sex: F Race: 1 - CAUCASIAN DL State/No:

Tx Lic Date: 06/24/1997 Declared MSR Home State: TEXAS-MSR Action: Curr Inv: Y Curr Mon: N

Employ Stat: 1 - EMPLOYED IN NRSG FULL TIME Field: 1 - INPATIENT HOSPITAL CARE
Position: 6 - STAFF NURSE/GENERAL DUTY Area: 14 - OPERATING/RECOVERY CARE
Hi-Deg: 2 - ASSOCIATE DEGREE Basic-Ed: 2 - ASSOCIATE DEGREE
Flag: FORMAL CHARGES ( FC )
Times: Date: 11/23/2010
Eligibility Order: N Prior Inv: Y
Residence Co: 167
Employ Zip: 77555 Employ Co: 167

School: TX, COLLEGE OF THE MAINLAND, TEXAS CITY (27440) Entry Date: 00/00/0000 Grad Date: 05/01/1997

Exam State: TX # of Exams: 01 Exam Date: 00/00/0000 Med: Sur: Ob: Ch: Psy: Comp:

Updated By: JASONB 11/24/2010 Weeks Per Year: 52 Score: Series: 697

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RN NAME/ADDRESS HISTORY RECORD

01 Row(s)

Last Name:	COX	First Name:	FRANCES
Address1:	3210 ACORN CIRCLE	Lic Number:	641205
Address2:		SS Number:	452-98-2324
City or Foreign:	DICKINSON		
State:	TX	Zip Code:	77539
		Record Created by:	NAOMIB 4/23/2003