BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS
FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS
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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.
Executive Director of the Board

In the Matter of Vocational Nurse	§	
License Number 107908	§	AGREED
issued to GLENDA DAVIS ANDRESS	§	ORDER

On this day the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter refer to as the Board, considered the matter of GLENDA DAVIS ANDRESS, Vocational Nurse Lice Number 107908, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on July 27, 2007, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director, subject to ratification by the Board.

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.

2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, 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 Hermann Hospital School of Vocational Nursing on May 4, 1984. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on December 17, 1984.

5. Respondent's vocational nurse employment history includes:

01/85 - 09/87	LVN	Hermann Hospital Houston, Texas

Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

10/87 - 12/90	LVN	South Arlington Medical Center Arlington, Texas
12/89 - 03/00	LVN	Nursefinders Houston, Texas
04/00 - 11/00	Unknown	
12/00 - 02/02	LVN	Kindred Healthcare Houston, Texas
03/02 - 12/06	LVN	Maxim Healthcare Services Houston, Texas
01/07 - present	Unknown	

6. At the time of the incidents in Findings of Fact Numbers Seven (7) through Eight (8), Respondent was employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Maxim Healthcare Services, Houston, Texas, and had been in this position for approximately four (4) years and five (5) months.

7. On or about August 2006 through December 2006, while employed as a vocational nurse with Maxim Healthcare Services, Houston, Texas, Respondent admitted to forging the signature of Client A.G.'s mother on several notes. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive her employer.

8. On or about August 2006 through December 2006, while employed as a vocational nurse with Maxim Healthcare Services, Houston, Texas, Respondent falsely documented, claimed, and was paid for hours that she did not work. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive and defraud the facility and patient of the cost of her nursing care.

9. On or about January 29, 2007, Respondent plead guilty to the offense of, "Theft- Auto" (a State Jail Felony offense committed on August 22, 2006), in the 178th District Court, Harris County, Texas, Under Cause No. 1085671. As a result of Respondent's guilty plea, Respondent's adjudication of guilt was deferred, and Respondent was sentenced to probation for a period of two (2) years.

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(6)(A)&(H), and (13).

4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 107908, heretofore issued to GLENDA DAVIS ANDRESS, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Board of Nurse Examiners, that Vocational Nurse License Number 107908, previously issued to GLENDA DAVIS ANDRESS, to practice Vocational nursing in Texas is hereby SUSPENDED for a period of two (2) years with the suspension STAYED and Respondent is hereby placed on PROBATION for two (2) years with the following agreed terms of probation:

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate privilege, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

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

(1) RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as amended, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.01 *et seq.* and this Order.

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL deliver the wallet-sized license issued to GLENDA DAVIS ANDRESS, to the office of the Board of Nurse Examiners within ten (10) days of the date of this Order for appropriate notation.

(3) 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) contact 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 Chemical Dependency, 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.bne.state.tx.us/about/stipscourses.html.*

(4) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of five hundred dollars ($500.00). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days of entry of this Order . Payment is to be made directly to the Board of Nurse Examiners in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.

(5) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE her probation officer to submit written reports on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board. The reports shall indicate the RESPONDENT's compliance with the court ordered probation. The reports shall be furnished each and every three (3) month period until RESPONDENT is released from probation.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, RESPONDENT WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR OTHER CLINICAL SETTING AND RESPONDENT MUST WORK IN SUCH SETTING A MINIMUM OF SIXTY-FOUR (64) HOURS PER MONTH UNDER THE FOLLOWING PROBATION CONDITIONS FOR TWO (2) YEAR(S) OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT OR OF EMPLOYMENT THAT DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF A VOCATIONAL NURSE (LVN) LICENSE WILL NOT APPLY TO THIS PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

(6) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each present employer within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each future employer prior to accepting an offer of employment.

(7) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a vocational nurse.

(8) For the duration of the stipulation period, RESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse or Licensed Vocational Nurse who is on the premises. The supervising nurse is not required to be on the same unit or ward as RESPONDENT, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if necessary. The supervising nurse shall have a minimum of two (2) years experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the Respondent is currently working. RESPONDENT SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

(9) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board, periodic reports as to RESPONDENT's capability to practice vocational nursing. These reports shall be completed by the Registered Nurse or Licensed Vocational Nurse who supervises the RESPONDENT. These reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) months for two (2) years of employment as a vocational nurse.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be issued an unencumbered license and multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

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 this Order is subject to ratification by the Board. When this Order is ratified, the terms of this Order become effective, and 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 to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 3rd day of October, 2007.

GLENDA DAVIS ANDRESS, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of October, 2007.

SEAL

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

JASON K CHAMPAIGNE
My Commission Expires
November 21, 2009

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 3rd day of October, 20 07, by GLENDA DAVIS ANDRESS, Vocational Nurse License Number 107908, and said Order is final.

Effective this 13th day of November, 20 07.

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