

IN THE MATTER OF  
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE  
NUMBER 103374  
ISSUED TO  
PENTELOPE C SAPP

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BEFORE THE ELIGIBILITY  
AND DISCIPLINARY  
COMMITTEE  
OF 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.  
*Patricia A. Thomas*  
Executive Director of the Board

**ORDER OF THE BOARD**

TO: Pentelope C Sapp  
95 CR 34720  
Paris, Texas 75460

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on Tuesday, September 14, 2010, the Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case, 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 vocational 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.

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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 103374, previously issued to PENTELOPE C SAPP, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Permanent Certificate Number 103374, previously issued to PENTELOPE C SAPP, 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 nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 14th day of September, 2010.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 14 day of September, 2010, 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):

Pentelope C Sapp  
95 CR 34720  
Paris, Texas 75460

BY:



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

**In the Matter of Permanent License  
Number 103374, Issued to  
PENTELOPE C. SAPP, Respondent**

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**BEFORE THE TEXAS  
BOARD OF NURSING**

### **FORMAL CHARGES**

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, PENTELOPE C. SAPP, is a Vocational Nurse holding license number 103374, which is in delinquent status at the time of this pleading.

Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged to warrant adverse licensure action was sent to Respondent at Respondent's address of record and Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license prior to commencement of this proceeding.

#### **CHARGE I.**

On or about September 26, 2001, Respondent was arrested by the Paris Police Department, Paris, Texas, and subsequently charged with DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, (a Class B misdemeanor offense), under Cause No. 42558. On or about February 5, 2002, Cause No. 42558 was dismissed in the County Court of Lamar County, Texas, for the reason: " This is dismissed as part of plea agreement. Defendant pled to DWI number 42805 and POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA < 2 ozs number 42559".

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 302.402(a)(10), Texas Occupations Code.

#### **CHARGE II.**

On or about January 31, 2002, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty and was convicted of POSS MARIJ < 2 OZ (a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on September 26, 2001), in the County Court, Lamar County, Texas, under Cause No. 42559. Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Lamar County Jail for a period of six (6) months: however, the imposition of sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of eighteen (18) months. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 302.402(a)(10), Texas Occupations Code and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(28)&(29)(A).

### CHARGE III

On or about January 31, 2002, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED (a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on November 2, 2001), in the County Court, Lamar County, Texas, under Cause No. 42559. Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Lamar County Jail for a period of six (6) months; however, the imposition of sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of eighteen (18) months. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 302.402(a)(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(29)(A).

### CHARGE IV

On or about March 27, 2003, Respondent entered a plea of No Contest to ASSLT CAUSES BODILY INJR (a Class A misdemeanor offense committed on October 18, 2002), in the County Court, Lamar County, Texas, under Cause No. 44981. 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 one (1) year. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 302.402(a)(10), Texas Occupations Code.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to revocation of Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Board's rules, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 213.27 - 213.33. Additionally, staff will seek to impose on Respondent the administrative costs of the proceeding pursuant to Section 301.461, Texas Occupations Code. The cost of proceedings shall include, but is not limited to, the cost paid by the Board to the State Office of Administrative Hearings and the Office of the Attorney General or other Board counsel for legal and investigative services, the cost of a court reporter and witnesses, reproduction of records, Board staff time, travel, and expenses. These shall be in an amount of at least one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200.00).

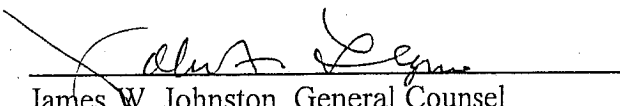
NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at the Board's website, [www.bon.state.tx.us](http://www.bon.state.tx.us).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on Adopted Disciplinary Guidelines for Criminal Conduct and on Adopted Disciplinary Sanction Policies for Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder, which can be found at the Board's website, [www.bon.state.tx.us](http://www.bon.state.tx.us).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, which can be found at [www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/discp-matrix.html](http://www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/discp-matrix.html).

Filed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010.

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