

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse	§	AGREED
License Number 679979	§	
issued to ROBERT VINCENT HANSSEN	§	ORDER



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

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of ROBERT VINCENT HANSSEN, Registered Nurse License Number 679979, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered 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(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 professional nursing in the State of Texas.
4. Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Temple College, Temple, Texas, on May 11, 2001. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on July 24, 2001.

5. Respondent's professional nursing employment history includes:

8/01 - 11/01	Staff Nurse	Seton Hospital Austin, Texas
12/01 - 4/05	Staff Nurse	Round Rock Medical Center Round Rock, Texas
5/05 - 9/06	Staff Nurse	Methodist Hospital San Antonio, Texas
10/06 - 5/08	Unknown	
6/08 - present	Staff Nurse	Foundation Surgical Hospital San Antonio, Texas

6. On May 12, 2009, Respondent was issued the sanction of a Warning with Stipulations by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the May 12, 2009, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.

7. On or about May 17, 2009, while employed with Foundation Surgical Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to him on May 12, 2009, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of his failure to comply with Stipulation Number Seven (7) of the Agreed Order which states, in pertinent part:

(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....

8. On or about August 15, 2009, and November 15, 2009, while employed with Foundation Surgical Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to him on May 12, 2009, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Noncompliance is the result of his failure to comply with Stipulation Number Nine (9) of the Agreed Order which states, in pertinent part:

(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 nursing....

9. Respondent states he notified his employer about the Order, but misread the Order and did not have his employer send the notification of employment form.

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)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 679979, heretofore issued to ROBERT VINCENT HANSEN, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a REPRIMAND WITH STIPULATIONS, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.1 *et seq.* and this Order.

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.

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

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

(1) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of seven hundred fifty (\$750.00) dollars. RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days of entry of this Order. Payment is to be made directly to the Texas Board of Nursing in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.

(2) The Order of the Board issued to RESPONDENT on May 12, 2009, is still in effect in its entirety and RESPONDENT SHALL be responsible for completing the terms of that Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and RESPONDENT shall be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT shall be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.


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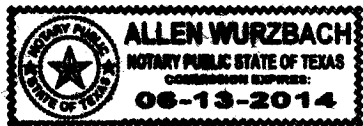
I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violations alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order, and 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 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(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

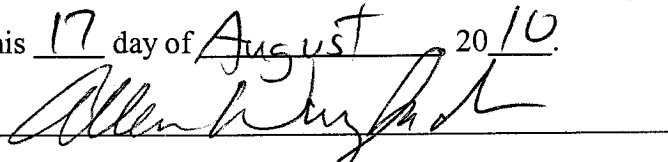
Signed this 17th day of August, 2010.


ROBERT VINCENT HANSEN, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17 day of August, 2010.

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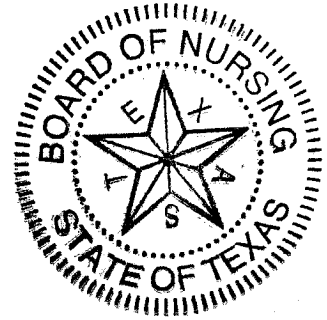

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 17th day of August, 2010, by ROBERT VINCENT HANSEN, Registered Nurse License Number 679979, and said Order is final.

Effective this 14th day of September, 2010.



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



BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse § AGREED
License Number 679979 §
issued to ROBERT VINCENT HANSSEN § ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of ROBERT VINCENT HANSSEN, Registered Nurse License Number 679979, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on March 15, 2009, 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 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 an Associate Degree in Nursing from Temple College, Temple, Texas, on May 11, 2001. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on July 24, 2001.
5. Respondent's professional nursing employment history includes:

08/2001 - 11/2001

Staff Nurse

Seton Hospital
Austin, Texas

Respondent's professional nursing employment history continued:

12/2001 - 04/2005	Staff Nurse	Round Rock Medical Center Round Rock, Texas
05/2005 - 09/2006	Staff Nurse	Methodist Hospital San Antonio, Texas
10/2006 - Present	Unknown	

6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Staff Nurse with Methodist Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, and had been in this position for eleven (11) months.
7. On or about April 18, 2006, while employed with Methodist Hospital, Bone Marrow Transplant Clinic, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to administer antiemetic premedication to Patient Medical Record Number WO1150980, before chemotherapy as ordered by the physician. Respondent failed to transcribe the physician's order and failed to notify the physician of the error. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that it may have contributed to the patient experiencing adverse side-effects of chemotherapy.
8. On or about April 18, 2006, while employed with Methodist Hospital, Bone Marrow Transplant Clinic, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to document the status of the aforementioned Patient Medical Record Number WO1150980 in the medical record, including the patient's need to return to the clinic due to uncontrolled emesis. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers did not have accurate and complete information on which to base their decisions for further care.
9. On or about September 1, 2006, while employed with Methodist Hospital, Bone Marrow Transplant Clinic, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent transfused two (2) units of Leuko poor irradiated red blood cells to Patient Medical Record Number WO1165373, without a physician's order, as required. The patient had a hemoglobin of 12.5 and no physician's order for a transfusion. The patient was in liver failure and expired on September 2, 2006. Respondent's conduct may have unnecessarily exposed the patient to the complications of blood administration.
10. In response to the Incidents in Findings of Fact Numbers Seven (7) through Nine (9), Respondent states that on the date of April 18, 2006, it was an extremely busy day and he did not normally work in that department. The missed order should have been noted the day before by the other nurse and moved to the front of the chart and it wasn't so Respondent missed the order. After the patient complained of emesis, the charge nurse told Respondent to have the patient come back to the clinic so Respondent could administer the antiemetic and hydrate the patient. Respondent states there is some question as to whether he was to document on the computer or on paper, however, it was his responsibility and his error.

Regarding the incident on September 1, 2006, Respondent states he was told in report that the patient's hemoglobin was 8 and was handed a lab to that effect. They had standing orders to administer blood for level 8.5. Respondent doesn't know if he looked at the wrong labs or if it was an old lab sheet, but he did not go and re-check it. Respondent admits that it was his responsibility and he triple checks everything now.

11. Charges were filed on December 17, 2008.
12. Charges were mailed to Respondent on December 17, 2008.

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)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C), (1)(D)&(1)(M) and 217.12(1)(A)&(1)(B).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 679979, heretofore issued to ROBERT VINCENT HANSSEN, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.1 *et seq.* and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice nursing in compact states.

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

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

(1) RESPONDENT SHALL deliver the wallet-sized license issued to ROBERT VINCENT HANSEN, to the office of the Texas Board of Nursing within ten (10) days from the date of ratification of this Order.

(2) 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 Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder; 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.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html>

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in medication administration. 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. The didactic portion of this course shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The course shall contain a minimum twenty-four (24) hour clinical component which is to be provided by the same Registered Nurse who provides the didactic portion of this course. The clinical component SHALL focus on tasks of medication administration only. In order for the course to be approved, the course's content shall include: a review of proper administration procedures for all standard routes; computation of drug dosages; the five (5) rights of medication administration; factors influencing the choice of route; and possible adverse effects resulting from improper administration. The course description shall indicate goals and objectives for the course, resources to be utilized, and the methods to be used to determine successful completion of the course. RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete both the didactic and clinical portions of the course to satisfy this stipulation. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the instructor 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:*
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(4) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing documentation. 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. The course shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length of classroom time. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include Nurses. The course shall include content on the following: nursing standards related to accurate and complete documentation; legal guidelines for recording; methods and processes of recording; methods of alternative record-keeping; and computerized documentation. RESPONDENT SHALL cause the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Board's office 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.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html>.

(5) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete the course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills," a 3.6 contact hour online program provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Learning Extension. In order to receive credit for completion of this program, RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. *Information regarding this workshop may be found at the following web address:* <http://www.learningext.com/products/generalce/critical/ctabout.asp>.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A 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 STIPULATIONS FOR ONE (1) YEAR~~

OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE STIPULATION PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH TWELVE (12) MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT OR OF EMPLOYMENT THAT DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF A REGISTERED NURSE (RN) LICENSE WILL NOT APPLY TO THIS STIPULATION 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 nurse.

(8) RESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered 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 nursing. These reports shall be completed by the Registered Nurse that 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) month period for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT's license and RESPONDENT shall be eligible for multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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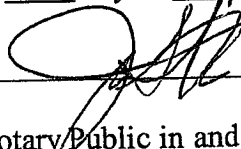
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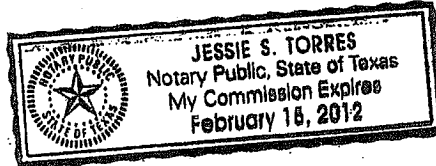
Signed this 17th day of April, 2009.


ROBERT VINCENT HANSEN, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17 day of April, 2009.


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Notary Public in and for the State of _____



WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 17th day of April, 2009, by ROBERT VINCENT HANSSSEN, Registered Nurse License Number 679979, and said Order is final.

Effective this 12th day of May, 2009.


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

