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Patricia P. Thomas
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse License Number 422485 §
issued to GRACE E. B. BRIGGS, a.k.a ISABEL BRADSHAW, §
ELIZABETH BRIGGS, ELIZABETH BRADSHAW BRIGGS, §
ISABEL BRIGGS, and ISABEL BRADSHAW BRIGGS §

ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 422485, issued to GRACE E. B. BRIGGS, a.k.a. ISABEL BRADSHAW, ELIZABETH BRIGGS, ELIZABETH BRADSHAW BRIGGS, ISABEL BRIGGS, and ISABEL BRADSHAW BRIGGS, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.
2. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing.
3. Licensure records indicate that Respondent received a Diploma in Nursing from Seton School of Nursing, Colorado Springs, Colorado, on December 15, 1934. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Colorado on November 26, 1934, and was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on January 25, 1971.
4. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

12/1934 - 2/2003	Unknown	
3/2003 - 7/2005	Assistant Director of Nursing	Lynnhaven Care Center Pasadena, Texas

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

8/2005 - 1/2006	Weekend Nurse Supervisor	Retama Manor Nursing Center Robstown, Texas
1/2006 - Unknown	Assistant Director of Nursing	La Paloma Healthcare San Diego, Texas
2/2010 - 7/2010		Retama Manor Nursing Center Robstown, Texas

5. On or about August 10, 2010, the Board provided Respondent with notice of alleged violations of the Nursing Practice Act of the State of Texas and that the license was subject to temporary emergency suspension pursuant to Texas Occupations Code Section 301.455, as follows:

a. That, on or about December 15, 1970, Respondent provided false information to the Board when completing an initial application for licensure by endorsement from the State of Colorado in that she indicated her date of birth was December 24, 1914, instead of December 24, 1912, as was reflected in the licensure records in the State of Colorado;

b. That, on or about March 21, 2003, Respondent submitted a change of address with change of social security number to the Board which revised the social security number associated with the license from xxx-xx-7833, as reflected on the initial application for licensure, to xxx-xx-0196, a social security number which belonged to a male who died on July 8, 1994, in Casper, Wyoming;

c. That, on or about December 5, 2004, Respondent completed an on-line renewal of the registered nurse license with the Board by matching the last four (4) digits of the recently revised social security number associated with the licensure record, xxx-xx-0196, which belonged to a male who died on July 8, 1994, in Casper, Wyoming;

d. That, on or about August 24, 2005, Respondent obtained employment as a Registered Nurse with Retama Manor Nursing Center, Robstown, Texas, using the Registered Nurse license issued from Texas which had been renewed in December 2004 and which was valid through December 2006, and provided credentials to the facility that were inconsistent with the Board's licensure record, as follows:

- Respondent provided a Texas Department of Public Safety Driver's License to the facility, issued to Isabel Bradshaw Briggs, reflecting a date of birth of May 19, 1927. The date of birth in the Board's licensure record, as reflected on the original application for licensure, is December 24, 1914. According to the date of birth on the driver's license provided to the facility, Respondent would have been seven (7) years old when she completed her basic nursing education and became licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Colorado; and
- Respondent provided a Social Security Card reflecting number xxx-xx-7833, bearing the name Isabel B. Briggs, and bearing the signature: Elizabeth B. Briggs. Although the Board's initial licensure record reflected the social security number xxx-xx-7833,

Respondent submitted a change of address with change of social security number to the Board in March 2003 which revised the social security number to xxx-xx-0196, a social security number which belonged to a male who died on July 8, 1994, in Casper, Wyoming;

That, on or about December 10, 2005, while employed as the Weekend Supervisor with Retama Manor Nursing Center, Robstown, Texas, Respondent failed to:

- e. Ensure that Resident Number 98118 was visited by her father only with supervision, as required by the resident's Nursing Plan of Care. The resident, who had limited use of her hands, was found with her dress half unbuttoned after her father had visited her in her room, unsupervised, and when questioned, the resident stated that her father had touched her breast;
- f. Assess and/or document an assessment of Resident Number 98118 after being informed of suspected sexual abuse by the resident's father; and
- g. Report the suspected sexual abuse of Resident Number 98118 to the appropriate investigative authorities, as required;

h. That, on or about December 23, 2006, Respondent again completed an on-line renewal of the registered nurse license with the Board by matching the last four (4) digits of the revised social security number associated with the licensure record, xxx-xx-0196, which belonged to a male who died on July 8, 1994, in Casper, Wyoming;

i. That, on or about December 29, 2006, Respondent failed to comply when the Board directed that she resubmit her finger prints to the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) in order to complete the criminal background check as required by the audit for the renewal of the license. Although her finger prints were initially submitted to the Texas DPS on December 21, 2006, they were rejected by the Texas DPS and Respondent was directed to resubmit them; and

j. That, on or about November 3, 2008, Respondent again completed an on-line renewal of the registered nurse license with the Board by matching the last four (4) digits of the revised social security number associated with the licensure record, xxx-xx-0196, which belonged to a male who died on July 8, 1994, in Casper, Wyoming.

- 6. On or about August 17, 2010, Respondent submitted a notarized statement to the Board voluntarily surrendering the right to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas. A copy of Respondent's notarized statement, dated August 17, 2010, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

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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 TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ART. 4525(a)(1)&(3) and 4527a, §§ 1 & 2 [Vernon, effective 6-10-69], TEX. OCC. CODE §301.452(b)(2),(5),(10)&(13), and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§217.11(1)(B),(1)(D), (1)(M)&(3)(A)[9/28/2004], 217.12(22)[11/2002], and 217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(E),(4), (6)(C),(6)(H)&(6)(I)[9/28/2004].
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 Registered Nurse License Number 422485, heretofore issued to GRACE E. B. BRIGGS, a.k.a. ISABEL BRADSHAW, ELIZABETH BRIGGS, ELIZABETH BRADSHAW BRIGGS, ISABEL BRIGGS, and ISABEL BRADSHAW BRIGGS, to practice professional 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 professional nursing, use the title of Registered Nurse or the abbreviation RN or wear any insignia identifying herself as a registered nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a registered 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 professional nursing in the State of Texas.

Effective this 17th day of August, 2010.



TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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

GRACE E. B. BRIGGS, a.k.a. Isabel Bradshaw, Elizabeth Briggs,
Elizabeth Bradshaw Briggs, Isabel Briggs, and Isabel Bradshaw Briggs
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Corpus Christi, Texas 78410
Texas RN License #422485

Voluntary Surrender Statement

Dear Texas Board of Nursing:

I no longer desire to be licensed as a registered nurse. Accordingly, I voluntarily surrender the license to practice in Texas and consent to the entry of an Order which outlines requirements for reinstatement of the license. I understand that I will be required to comply with the Board's Rules and Regulations in effect at the time I submit any petition for reinstatement.

Signature Elizabeth B. Briggs
Date 8-17-10
Texas Nursing License Number/s 422485

The State of Texas

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared Grace E. B. Briggs who, being duly sworn by me, stated that she executed the above for the purpose therein contained and that she understood same.

Sworn to before me the 17 day of August, 2010.

SEAL

Linda R. Haney
Notary Public in and for the State of Tx

