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Katherine A. Thomas
 Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse	§	AGREED
License Number 732269	§	
issued to YOLANDA PATRES DAVIS	§	ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the considered the matter of YOLANDA PATRES DAVIS, Registered Nurse License Number 732269, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(9)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on April 28, 2010, 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 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 McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas, on May 9, 2006. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 1, 2006.
5. Respondent's professional nursing employment history includes:

08/2006 - 12/2009	RN	Providence Healthcare Network Waco, Texas
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12/2009 - Present

Employment history unknown

6. On June 1, 2006, Respondent was issued an Order of Conditional Eligibility by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order of Conditional Eligibility dated June 1, 2006, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
7. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Providence Healthcare Network, Waco, Texas, and has been in this position for three (3) years and four (4) months.
8. On or about December 15, 2009, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Providence Healthcare Network, Waco, Texas, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of Cocaine, in that she submitted a specimen for a drug screen that resulted positive for Cocaine. Possession of Cocaine is prohibited by Chapter 481 of the Texas Health & Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act). The use of Cocaine by a Registered Nurse, while subject to call or duty, could impair the nurse's ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in the patient's condition, and could impair the nurse's ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.
9. In response to Finding of Fact Number Eight (8), Respondent states: "I had been doing well from 2002 until 2009, when I had a relapse. I know I need help and treatment again. I am checking myself into an inpatient treatment center for treatment of my Cocaine addiction. I admit that on December 15, 2009, I engaged in the intemperate use of Cocaine."
9. Respondent's last known date of sobriety is December 15, 2009 as indicated in Finding of Fact Number Eight (8).
10. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.
11. Formal Charges were filed on March 24, 2010.
12. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on March 26, 2010.

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 a violations of Section 301.452(b)(9)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(E),(4),(5),(10)(A), (D)&(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 732269, heretofore issued to YOLANDA PATRES DAVIS, including revocation of Respondent's license 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 Registered Nurse License Number 732269, previously issued to YOLANDA PATRES DAVIS, to practice nursing in Texas is hereby SUSPENDED and said suspension is ENFORCED until Respondent completes a treatment program approved by the Board, provides documentation of successful completion, and has obtained twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety. Any relapse prior to the completion of the twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety will result in an extension of the enforced suspension until such twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety and additional treatment have been attained.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Permanent Certificate Number 732269 previously issued to YOLANDA PATRES DAVIS, upon receipt of this Order, be immediately delivered to the office of the Texas Board of Nursing.

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 is encumbered by this order the 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, upon verification of successful completion of the approved treatment and twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety as set out in this Order, the Suspension will be STAYED, and RESPONDENT will be placed on PROBATION for three (3) years with the following agreed terms of probation:

(1) 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.

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL pay all re-registration fees, if applicable, and RESPONDENT'S licensure status in the State of Texas will be updated to reflect the applicable conditions outlined herein.

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed, 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) 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>

(4) 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>

(5) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monitoring fee in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days of the suspension being stayed. 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.

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 PROBATION CONDITIONS FOR THREE (3) YEARS OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE

PROBATIONARY PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH THIRTY-SIX (36) 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 PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

(6) RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing of this Order of the Board and the probation conditions 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) For the first year of employment as a nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse. Direct supervision requires another nurse to be working on the same unit as RESPONDENT and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. RESPONDENT SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). The 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) For the remainder of the probation period, 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.

(10) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a nurse on the night shift, rotate shifts, work overtime, accept on-call assignments, or be used for coverage on any unit other than the identified, predetermined unit(s) to which Respondent is regularly assigned for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.

(11) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a nurse in any critical care area for one (1) year of employment as a nurse. Critical care areas include, but are not limited to, intensive care units, emergency rooms, operating rooms, telemetry units, recovery rooms, and labor and delivery units.

(12) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT administer or have any contact with controlled substances, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.

(13) 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 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 three (3) years of employment as a nurse.

(14) RESPONDENT SHALL abstain from the consumption of alcohol, Nubain,

Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates, and/or the use of controlled substances, except as prescribed by a licensed practitioner for a legitimate purpose. If prescribed, RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the licensed practitioner to submit a written report identifying the medication, dosage and the date the medication was prescribed. The report shall be submitted directly to the office of the Board by the prescribing practitioner, within ten (10) days of the date of the prescription. **In the event that prescriptions for controlled substances are required for periods of two (2) weeks or longer, the Board may require and RESPONDENT SHALL submit to an evaluation by a Board approved physician specializing in Pain Management or Psychiatry. The performing evaluator will submit a written report to the Board's office, including results of the evaluation, clinical indications for the prescriptions, and recommendations for on-going treatment within thirty (30) days from the Board's request.**

(15) RESPONDENT SHALL submit to random periodic screens for controlled substances, tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram), and alcohol. For the first three (3) month period, random screens shall be performed at least once per week. For the next three (3) month period, random screens shall be performed at least twice per month. For the next six (6) month period, random screens shall be performed at least once per month. For the remainder of the probation period, random screens shall be performed at least once every three (3) months. All random screens SHALL BE conducted through urinalysis. Screens obtained through urinalysis are the sole method accepted by the Board.

Specimens shall be screened for at least the following substances:

Amphetamines	Meperidine
Barbiturates	Methadone
Benzodiazepines	Methaqualone
Cannabinoids	Opiates
Cocaine	Phencyclidine

Ethanol
tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram)

Propoxyphene

A Board representative may appear at the RESPONDENT's place of employment at any time during the probation period and require RESPONDENT to produce a specimen for screening.

All screens shall be properly monitored and produced in accordance with the Board's policy on Random Drug Testing. A complete chain of custody shall be maintained for each specimen obtained and analyzed. RESPONDENT SHALL be responsible for the costs of all random drug screening during the probation period.

Any positive result for which the nurse does not have a valid prescription or failure to report for a drug screen, which may be considered the same as a positive result, will be regarded as non-compliance with the terms of this Order and may subject the nurse to further disciplinary action including EMERGENCY SUSPENSION pursuant to Section 301.4551, Texas Occupations Code, or REVOCATION of Respondent's license and nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

(16) RESPONDENT SHALL attend at least two (2) support group meetings each week, one of which must be for substance abuse and provided by Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, or another comparable recovery program that has been pre-approved by the Board. RESPONDENT SHALL provide acceptable evidence of attendance. Acceptable evidence shall consist of a written record of at least: the date of each meeting; the name of each group attended; and the signature and printed name of the chairperson of each group attended by RESPONDENT. RESPONDENT SHALL submit the required evidence on the forms provided by the Board at the end of every three (3) months. No duplications, copies, third party signatures, or any other substitutions will be accepted as evidence.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that if during the period of probation, an additional allegation, accusation, or petition is reported or filed against the Respondent's license, the probationary period shall not expire and shall automatically be extended until the allegation, accusation, or petition has been acted upon by the Board.

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

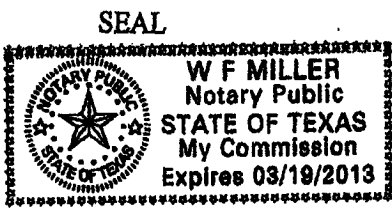
RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. 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 nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 25 day of May, 2010.

Yolanda Davis Patres
YOLANDA DAVIS PATRES, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 day of May, 2010.



W.F. Miller

Notary Public in and for the State of TX

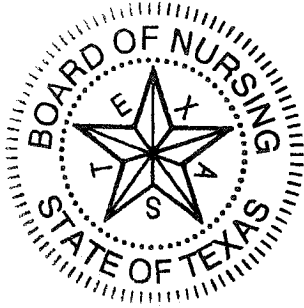
Approved as to form and substance.

Vicky Trompler, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20__.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 25th day of May, 2010, by YOLANDA PATRES DAVIS, Registered Nurse License Number 732269, and said Order is final.

Effective this 17th day of August, 2010.



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

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS
FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of	§	
YOLONDA PATRES DAVIS	§	ORDER OF
PETITIONER for Eligibility for	§	CONDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY
Licensure	§	

On the date entered below, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the Petition for Declaratory Order and supporting documents filed by YOLANDA PATRES DAVIS, hereinafter referred to as PETITIONER, together with any documents and information gathered by staff and PETITIONER's Certificate contained herein. Information received by the Board produced evidence that PETITIONER may have violated Section 301.452(b)(3)&(9), Texas Occupations Code.

A public meeting was held on February 14, 2006, by the Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee of the Board of Nurse Examiners (Board), at 333 Guadalupe, Tower 3, Suite 460, Austin, Texas, in which the petition of YOLANDA PATRES DAVIS, PETITIONER, was considered.

PETITIONER appeared in person. PETITIONER was notified of her right to be represented by legal counsel and elected to waive representation by counsel. Board Members in attendance were: Deborah Bell, CLU, ChFC; George Buchenau, Jr., BSN, RN, MBA; and Rachel Gomez, LVN. Staff present were: Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director; James W. Johnston, General Counsel; Anthony L. Diggs, Director, Enforcement Division; and Angela Bradford, Legal Assistant.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about January 22, 2004, Petitioner submitted a Petition for Declaratory Order requesting a determination of eligibility for licensure in compliance with Section 301.257 *et seq.*, Texas Occupations Code.
2. Petitioner waived representation, notice, administrative hearing, and judicial review.
3. Petitioner is currently enrolled in an Associate Degree Nursing Program at McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas, with an anticipated graduation date of May 2005.
4. Petitioner completed the Petition for Declaratory Order and answered "yes" to Question Number Two (2), which reads as follows: *"Have you been arrested in any state, territory, or country, including expunged offenses and deferred adjudication with or without prejudice of guilt for anything other than a minor traffic violation?"*
5. Petitioner completed the Petition for Declaratory Order and answered "yes" to Question Number Three (3), which reads as follows: *"Have you been convicted, adjudged guilty by a court, pled guilty or pled nolo contendere to any crime whether or not a sentence was imposed?"*
6. Petitioner disclosed the following criminal history, to wit:
 - A. On June 2, 1995, Petitioner was arrested for the misdemeanor offense of Theft by Check. On June 5, 1995, the charge was dismissed after full restitution was made.
 - B. On December 28, 1995, Petitioner was charged with the misdemeanor offense of Failure to Identify in the County Court at Law of McLennan County, Texas. Petitioner entered a plea of Nolo Contendere and proceedings were deferred without adjudication of guilt and Petitioner was sentenced to six (6) months probation. On June 27, 1995, Petitioner was issued an Order discharging her from probation.
 - C. On November 4, 1999, Petitioner was charged with the misdemeanor offense of Failure to Identify in the County Court at Law of McLennan County, Texas. Petitioner entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to twelve (12) months probation. On July 16, 2001, Petitioner was discharged from probation.
 - D. On June 27, 2001, Petitioner was charged with the felony offense of Tampering with Government Records in the 54th District Court of McLennan County, Texas. Petitioner entered a plea of guilty and proceedings were deferred without adjudication of guilt and Petitioner was sentenced to ten (10) years probation. On August 17, 2004, Petitioner was discharged from probation and the verdict of conviction was set aside.

7. There is no evidence of any subsequent criminal conduct.
8. Petitioner completed the Petition for Declaratory Order and answered "yes" to Question Number Six (6), which reads as follows: *"Within the past five (5) years have you been addicted to and/or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug?"*
9. Petitioner submitted the following certificates of treatment completion:
 - 1) On October 26, 2001, Petitioner successfully completed treatment at the Women and Children Program at The Freeman Center, Waco, Texas.
 - 2) On April 27, 2002, Petitioner successfully completed the Outpatient Program at The Freeman Center, Waco, Texas.
 - 3) From December 5, 2002, through October 20, 2003, Petitioner attended alcoholics anonymous.
10. Petitioner presented evidence of current fitness to practice professional nursing.
11. On July 11, 2005, Petitioner was seen by Matthew L. Ferrara, Ph.D., Austin, Texas, to undergo a forensic psychological evaluation to include a chemical dependency component and a polygraph examination. The results of the evaluation indicated that Petitioner has a high probability of having a substance use disorder. It is likely that Petitioner suffers from Cocaine Dependence but her disorder appears to be in remission. Based upon this evaluation, it appears that Petitioner could conform her behavior to the Nursing Practice Act, Board rules and regulations, and generally accepted standards of nursing practice. Therefore, it is recommended that Petitioner be considered for licensure as a nurse in the State of Texas.
12. The Board received letters of support/recommendation for Petitioner from the following:
 - A letter of reference dated September 9, 2003, was submitted to the Board on behalf of Petitioner by Rev. Jack Watson, Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Waco, Texas.
 - A letter of reference dated September 15, 2003, was submitted to the Board on behalf of Petitioner by Frances Washington, LCDC, The Freeman Center, Waco, Texas.
 - A letter of reference dated September 17, 2003, was submitted to the Board on behalf of Petitioner by Lewis C. Snell, McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas.
 - A letter of recommendation dated September 26, 2003, was submitted to the Board on behalf of Petitioner by Nettie S. Watkins, Md. Certified School Psychologist.
 - A letter of reference dated October 15, 2003, was submitted to the Board on behalf of Petitioner by Susan Olson, RN, MSN, Associate Degree Nursing, McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas.
 - A letter of reference dated October 22, 2003, was submitted to the Board on behalf of Petitioner by David Johnson, Adult Probation Officer, Waco, Texas.
 - A letter of reference dated October 27, 2003, was submitted to the Board on behalf of Petitioner by Alice Ogden, RN, BSN, Associate Degree Nursing Department, McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas.

- A letter of reference dated October 26, 2005, was submitted to the Board on behalf of Petitioner by Cessley D. Marsellus, MD, Scott and White Pediatrics.
 - A letter of reference dated November 7, 2005, was submitted to the Board on behalf of Petitioner by Dr. Nancy Grayson, Rapoport Academy, Waco, Texas.
13. The safety of patients and the public requires that all persons licensed to practice nursing be fit, sober, and able to consistently practice nursing in autonomous roles under demanding and stressful conditions.
 14. The Board considered evidence of Petitioner's substance abuse and subsequent rehabilitation as provided in §213.29, 22 Texas Administrative Code .
 15. The Committee's review of the grounds for potential ineligibility has been made on the basis of the information provided by Petitioner.
 16. Petitioner has sworn that, with the exception of matters disclosed in connection with the Petition for Declaratory Order, her past behavior conforms to the Board's professional character requirements. Petitioner presented no evidence of behavior which is inconsistent with the Board's character requirements in 22 Texas Administrative Code §213.27.
 17. On February 14, 2006, the Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee of the Board considered evidence of Petitioner's past behavior in light of the character factors set out in 22 Texas Administrative Code §213.27 and determined that Petitioner currently demonstrates the criteria required for good professional character.
 18. In consideration of Petitioner's past conduct and subsequent evidence of rehabilitation, the Board finds that Petitioner should be declared conditionally eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses.
 19. Petitioner's compliance with the terms of a Board approved peer assistance program should be sufficient to protect patients and the public.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board of Nurse Examiners has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Section 301.453, Texas Occupations Code.
2. Petitioner has submitted a petition in compliance with Section 301.257, Texas Occupations Code.
3. Petitioner shall immediately notify the Board of any fact or event that could constitute a ground of ineligibility for licensure under Section 301.452, Texas Occupations Code.

4. The Board of Nurse Examiners may license an individual who has a history of substance abuse, after consideration of the criteria set out in 22 Texas Administrative Code §213.29, the Board determines the Petitioner does not currently pose a direct threat to the health and safety of patients or the public.
5. The Board may, in its discretion, order a Petitioner, upon initial licensure as a registered nurse, to participate in a peer assistance program approved by the Board if the nurse would otherwise have been eligible for referral to peer assistance pursuant to Section 301.410, Texas Occupations Code.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that upon meeting the requirements for graduation and payment of any required fees, YOLONDA PATRES DAVIS, PETITIONER, is CONDITIONALLY ELIGIBLE to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN® Examination). PETITIONER SHALL NOT be eligible for temporary authorization to practice as a Graduate Nurse in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that PETITIONER 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 Professional Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.01 *et seq.*, and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that PETITIONER, upon attaining a passing grade on the NCLEX-RN®, shall be issued a license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IN ADDITION, IT IS THEREFORE FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that PETITIONER, upon initial licensure, SHALL comply with the following conditions for such a time as is required for PETITIONER to successfully complete the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN):

(1) PETITIONER SHALL, within forty-five (45) days of initial licensure, apply to and be accepted into the TPAPN, which SHALL include payment of a non-refundable participation fee in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) payable to TPAPN.

(2) Upon acceptance into the TPAPN, PETITIONER SHALL waive confidentiality and provide a copy of the executed TPAPN contract to the Board of Nurse Examiners.

(3) PETITIONER SHALL comply with all requirements of the TPAPN contract during its term.

(4) PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE the TPAPN to notify the Board of Nurse Examiners of any violation of the TPAPN contract.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Petitioner's multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Petitioner's license is encumbered by this Order, Petitioner 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 Petitioner wishes to work.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD PETITIONER fail to comply with this Order or the terms of the participation agreement with the TPAPN, such noncompliance will result in further disciplinary action including revocation of a PETITIONER's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.

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PETITIONER'S CERTIFICATION

I am the Petitioner in this matter. I have fully and truthfully disclosed all relevant information in conformity with Rule 213.29 at Texas Administrative Code. I certify that my past behavior, except as disclosed in my Petition for Declaratory Order, has been in conformity with the Board's professional character rule. I have provided the Board with complete and accurate documentation of my past behavior in violation of the penal law of any jurisdiction which was disposed of through any procedure short of conviction, such as: conditional discharge, deferred adjudication or dismissal. I have no criminal prosecution pending in any jurisdiction.

In connection with my petition, I acknowledge that I have read and I understand Section 301.257, Texas Occupations Code, Section 301.452 (a),(b) and (c), Texas Occupations Code, and Chapter 53, Section 53.001 *et seq.*, Texas Occupations Code, and Board Rules 213.27, 213.28, and 213.29 at 22 Texas Administrative Code. I agree with all terms of this Order, including the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and any stipulations set out in this Order. I acknowledge that this Order is stipulated and I understand that I am not eligible to receive a Graduate Nurse Permit to practice. I agree to inform the Board of any other fact or event that could constitute a ground for denial of licensure prior to registering for the NCLEX-RN® Examination or accepting any permit or license from the Board of Nurse Examiners.

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 professional nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

I understand that I can be represented by an attorney in this matter. I waive representation, notice, administrative hearing, and judicial review of this Order and request that the Executive Director of the Board of Nurse Examiners enter this Order.

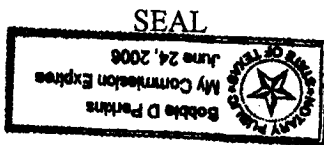
Signed this 10th day of May, 2006.

Yolanda Patres Davis
40 YOLANDA PATRES DAVIS, PETITIONER

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of May 2006.


Bobbie D. Perkins

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas



WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director on behalf of the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas does hereby ratify and adopt the Order of Conditional Eligibility that was signed on the 10th day of May, 2006, by YOLONDA PATRES DAVIS, PETITIONER, for Petition for Declaratory Order, and said Order is final.

Entered and effective this 1st day of June, 2006.



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