BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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Executive Director of the Board

In the Matter of Registered Nurse	§
License Number 562104	§
issued to VICKI SUE (CHESSON) LACOMBE	§

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 562104, issued to VICKI SUE (CHESSON) LACOMBE, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, 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 representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.

3. Respondent received an Associates Degree in Nursing from Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas, on May 1, 1990. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 31, 1990.

4. Respondent's complete professional nursing employment history includes:

08/1990-07/09	RN	Baptist Hospital Orange Orange, Texas
08/09-Present	Unknown	

5. On or about July 15, 2009, while employed with Baptist Hospitals of South East Texas-Orange Campus, Orange, Texas, Respondent obtained or attempted to obtain Hydrocodone from CVS Pharmacy, Orange, Texas, through the use of an unauthorized, fraudulent written prescription, using the name and Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) Number of Dr. James B. Jones, by falsifying Dr. Jones' signature on a prescription pad. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacy and possession of Hydrocodone through the use of a unauthorized, fraudulent written prescription is prohibited by Chapter 481 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act).

6. On or about July 15, 2009, while employed with Baptist Hospitals of South East Texas-Orange Campus, Orange, Texas, Respondent was arrested by Orange Police Department, Orange, Texas, for the offense of FORGING OR ALTERING A PRESCRIPTION (a Class B Misdemeanor offense). Respondent subsequently plead GUILTY to ACQUIRING A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE BY FRAUD (a Third Degree felony offense), in the 260th Court of Orange County, Texas, Under Cause No. D090727-R. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred and Respondent was placed on Probation for a period of six (6) years. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

7. In response to Finding of Fact Numbers Five (5) and Six (6) Respondent states she is very ashamed and remorseful for her actions and will spend the rest of her life trying to overcome her actions. Additionally, Respondent states that she had a drug problem and found the medication helped her calm down and cope with work. Respondent states that she had an abscess involving two teeth and was prescribed this medication and found it helped with more than just pain. Since this incident, Respondent states that she does not take any medication nor has the desire to take medication.

8. On May 27, 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 May 24, 2010, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

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),(10)(B)&(E),(11)(B)&(13).

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 562104, heretofore issued to VICKI SUE (CHESSON) LACOMBE, 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; and, RESPONDENT has obtained objective, verifiable proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety immediately preceding the petition.

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 18 day of June, 2010.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By: Katherine A. Thomas

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

VICKI SUE (CHESSON) LACOMBE
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Orange, Texas 77632
Texas Registered Nursing License #562104

Voluntary Surrender Statement

May 24, 2010

Dear Texas Board of Nursing:

I no longer desire to be licensed as a professional nurse. Accordingly, I voluntarily surrender my license/licenses to practice in Texas. I waive representation by counsel and consent to the entry of an Order which outlines requirements for reinstatement of my 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 Vicki Sue Chesson Lacombe

Date 5/24/10

Texas Nursing License Number/s 562104

The State of Texas

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared VICKI SUE (CHESSON) LACOMBE 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 24th day of May, 2010.

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Katherine Ann Flanigan
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

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Notary Public
STATE OF TEXAS
My Comm. Exp. 11/04/2011