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*Patricia P. Thomas*  
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Vocational Nurse           §  
License Number 93638                           §  
issued to CAROLYN JOYCE SANDERS       §

ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 93638, issued to CAROLYN JOYCE SANDERS, 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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.
3. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Amarillo College of Vocational Nursing, Hereford, Texas, on August 28, 1981. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on December 11, 1981.
4. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

1981 - 1989	Staff Nurse	Kilgore Nursing Center Kilgore, Texas
1990 - 2007	Staff Nurse	Henderson Health and Rehabilitation Henderson, Texas

5. Formal Charges were filed on January 28, 2010. A copy of the Formal Charges is attached and incorporated by reference as part of this Order.
6. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on January 28, 2010.
7. On April 21, 2010, Respondent submitted a notarized statement to the Board voluntarily surrendering the right to practice vocational nursing in Texas. A copy of Respondent's notarized statement, notarized April 15, 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)(10)&(13), Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§217.11(1)(A),(1)(B)&(1)(C) and 217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(4)&(11)(B).
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 Vocational Nurse License Number 93638, heretofore issued to CAROLYN JOYCE SANDERS, to practice vocational 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 vocational nursing, use the title of vocational nurse or the abbreviation LVN or wear any insignia identifying herself as a vocational nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a vocational 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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

Effective this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2010.



TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By:

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

Carolyn Joyce Sanders  
10605 Magnolia Street  
Overton, Texas 75684  
Texas Vocational Nurse License #93638

Voluntary Surrender Statement

April 2, 2010

Dear Texas Board of Nursing:

I no longer desire to be licensed as a vocational 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 Carolyn Joyce Sanders

Date 4-15-31

Texas Nursing License Number/s lost

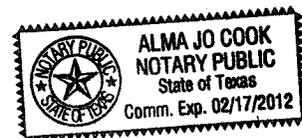
The State of Texas

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared CAROLYN JOYCE SANDERS 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 15 day of April, 2010.

SEAL

Alma Jo Cook  
Notary Public in and for the State of TEXAS



**In the Matter of Permanent License  
Number 93638, Issued to  
CAROLYN JOYCE SANDERS, Respondent**

§ **BEFORE THE TEXAS**  
§  
§ **BOARD OF NURSING**

### **FORMAL CHARGES**

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, CAROLYN JOYCE SANDERS, is a Vocational Nurse holding license number 93638, 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 April 25, 2007, through April 26, 2007, while employed with Henderson Health and Rehabilitation Center, Henderson, Texas, Respondent administered multiple doses of Lortab, a controlled substance, to Resident LB without a physician's order. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the resident from reactions to medications administered without the benefit of a physician's expertise and was in violation of Chapter 481 of the Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act).

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§217.11(1)(A),(1)(B)&(1)(C) and 217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(4)&(11)(B).

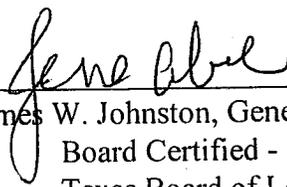
NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to revocation of Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Board's rules, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 213.27 - 213.33. Additionally, staff will seek to impose on Respondent the administrative costs of the proceeding pursuant to § 301.461, TEX. OCC. CODE ANN. 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, 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010.

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