



Board of Nurse Examiners For the State of Texas

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Executive Director

September 25, 2007

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Return Receipt Requested

Dorothy Ann Lippincott
602 Caballero Rd.
Leander, Texas 78641

Dear Ms. Lippincott:

Enclosed is your copy of the Order of the Board issued and effective on September 18, 2007, accepting the voluntary surrender of your license.

The disposition will be forwarded to the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc., and to the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank (HIPDB). The results of any disciplinary action are public information.

Should you desire to return to the practice of professional nursing in Texas, you may contact our office to request a reinstatement petition. Taking into account the circumstances of your surrender, you will not be eligible for reinstatement until one (1) year has elapsed from the effective date of this Order. Any reinstatement will be subject to the regulations in effect at that time.

Sincerely,


Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN
Executive Director

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Enclosure: Order of the Board

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BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse § AGREED
License Number 591775 §
issued to DOROTHY ANN LIPPINCOTT § ORDER

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 591775, issued to DOROTHY ANN LIPPINCOTT, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c) of the Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was provided to 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, 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 Ventura College, Ventura, California, on June 1, 1984. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on June 16, 1993.
5. Respondent's complete professional nursing employment history is unknown.

6. On September 7, 2006, Respondent was issued an Agreed Order by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas requiring her to participate in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN). A copy of the September 7, 2006, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
7. On June 24, 2007 through June 29, 2007, Respondent underwent a five-day neuropsychological evaluation at COPAC, Inc., by Karen Holloway, M.D. and James W. Irby, Jr., Ph.D. The results of the neuropsychological evaluation revealed that Respondent demonstrated moderate to severe impairment on tasks of executive functioning. Dr. Holloway and Dr. Irby opine that due to significant cognitive problems, Respondent should not practice nursing at this time.
8. On August 14, 2007, TPAPN deemed Respondent as not appropriate for TPAPN because she would be unable to fulfill the TPAPN work requirement.
9. Respondent, by her signature to this Order, expresses her desire to voluntarily surrender her license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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 violation of Section 301.452(b)(10) & (12), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(5).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 591775, heretofore issued to DOROTHY ANN LIPPINCOTT, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Registered Nurse License Number 591775, heretofore issued to DOROTHY ANN LIPPINCOTT, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Texas Board of Nursing.

In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

1. RESPONDENT SHALL immediately deliver the wallet-sized license, heretofore issued to DOROTHY ANN LIPPINCOTT, to the office of the Texas Board of Nursing.
2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice professional nursing, use the title "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.
3. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order;
4. 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 multistate privilege, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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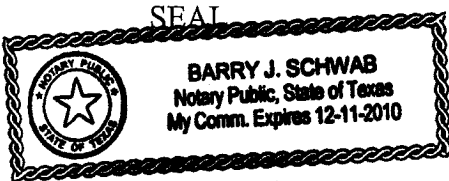
RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

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 violation 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 becomes final when accepted by the Executive Director at which time the terms of this Order become effective and a copy will be mailed to me.

Signed this 14 day of September, 2007.

Dorothy Ann Lippincott
DOROTHY ANN LIPPINCOTT, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14 day of September, 2007.



Barry J. Schwab
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby accept the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 591775, previously issued to DOROTHY ANN LIPPINCOTT.

Effective this 18th day of September, 2007.



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