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Patricia R. Roman
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse §
License Number 455078 §
issued to MICHAEL EARL ZELANKO §

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 455078, issued to MICHAEL EARL ZELANKO, 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 a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from Penn State University, University Park, Pennsylvania, on March 30, 1976. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on October 6, 1980.
- 4. Respondent's professional nursing employment history is unknown.
- 5. On or about February 12, 2008, Respondent was issued the sanction of a REPRIMAND WITH STIPULATIONS by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Agreed Order dated February 12, 2008, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

6. Formal Charges were filed on February 23, 2009. A copy of the Formal Charges is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
7. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on March 2, 2009.
8. On March 19, 2009, Respondent returned Registered Nurse License Number 455078 and submitted a statement to the Board voluntarily surrendering the right to practice professional nursing in Texas. A copy of the statement is attached and incorporated, 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 a violation of Section 301.452(b)(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(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 455078, heretofore issued to MICHAEL E. ZELANKO, 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 himself 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 multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice professional nursing in compact states.

Effective this 2nd day of April, 2009.



TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By:

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

Michael E. Zelanko
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March 19, 2009

Texas Board of Nursing
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Dear John De La Rosa;

In reply to our letter dated February 23, 2009 I admit to the charges under Charge I. I have been unemployed since the Board restricted my license last year.

I have had no intention of working as a Registered Nurse and would not have renewed the license. Therefore I voluntarily surrender said license to the Board. Please find it enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael E. Zelanko".

License Number 455078