

IN THE MATTER OF  
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE  
NUMBER 179231  
ISSUED TO  
WENDY DAWN BREHM

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BEFORE THE ELIGIBILITY  
AND DISCIPLINARY  
COMMITTEE  
OF THE TEXAS  
BOARD OF NURSING



I do hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.  
*Patricia A. Thomas*  
Executive Director of the Board

**ORDER OF THE BOARD**

TO: WENDY DAWN BREHM  
6632 E. FM 4  
GRANDVIEW, TX 76050

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on June 10, 2008, the Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case. This case was heard, and based on the failure of the Respondent to file a written response to the Formal Charges as required by 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 213.16.

The Committee of the Texas Board of Nursing finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458, Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely notice of the violations alleged in the Formal Charges were given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to file an answer in accordance with 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 213.16.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056 and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 213.16.

The Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This Order will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion to set aside the default order (22 TEX. ADMIN.CODE § 213.16(j)). All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Certificate Number 179231, previously issued to WENDY DAWN BREHM, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Permanent Certificate Number 179231, previously issued to WENDY DAWN BREHM, upon receipt of this Order, be immediately delivered to the office of the Texas Board of Nursing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multi-state privilege, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 10th day of June, 2008.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING  
FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

BY:

  
KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Re: Permanent Certificate Number 179231  
Issued to WENDY DAWN BREHM  
DEFAULT ORDER -REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008, a true and correct copy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served by placement in the U.S. Mail via certified mail, and addressed to the following person(s):

WENDY DAWN BREHM  
6632 E. FM 4  
GRANDVIEW, TX 76050

BY:



KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

**In the Matter of Permanent License** § **BEFORE THE BOARD**  
**Number 179231, Issued to** § **OF NURSE EXAMINERS**  
**WENDY DAWN BREHM, Respondent** § **FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS**

### FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, WENDY DAWN BREHM, is a Vocational Nurse holding license number 179231, which is in current 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 June 2, 2007, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on November 8, 2005, by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number Nine (9) of the Order which states, in pertinent part:

(9) 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 vocational nursing....

A copy of the November 8, 2005, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

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

#### CHARGE II.

On or about November 2, 2006, February 2, 2007, May 2, 2007, and August 2, 2007, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on November 8, 2005, by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number Ten (10) of the Order which states, in pertinent part:

(10) Respondent shall participate in therapy with a "professional counselor" possessing credentials approved by the Board. Respondent shall cause the therapist to submit written reports, on forms provided by the Board, as to the Respondent's progress in therapy, rehabilitation and capability to safely practice vocational nursing....

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

**CHARGE III.**

On or about February 2, 2007, May 2, 2007, and August 2, 2007, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on November 8, 2005, by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number Eleven (11) of the Order which states, in pertinent part:

(11) Respondent shall cause her probation officer to submit written reports on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board....

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

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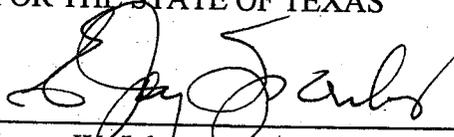
NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of revocation of Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Board's rules, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 213.27 - 213.33. Additionally, staff will seek to impose on Respondent the administrative 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.bne.state.tx.us](http://www.bne.state.tx.us).

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Respondent's past disciplinary history, as set out below and described in the Order which is attached and incorporated by reference as part of these charges, will be offered in support of the disposition recommended by staff: Agreed Order dated November 8, 2005.

Filed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007.

BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS  
FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS



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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS  
FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

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In the Matter of Vocational Nurse           §  
License Number 179231                       §        AGREED  
issued to WENDY DAWN BREHM           §        ORDER

On this day the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of WENDY DAWN BREHM, Vocational Nurse License Number 179231, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 302.402(a)(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered 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 representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
4. Respondent completed a Vocational Nursing Program at Hill Junior College on December 15, 2000. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on February 15, 2001.
5. Respondent's complete vocational nursing employment history is unknown.
6. On or about April 3, 2003, Respondent plead guilty and was issued a Deferred Adjudication Order for the offence of "Forgery," a State Jail Felony, in the 249th District Court of Johnson County, Cleburne, Texas, case number 9064826617. Respondent was placed on Community Supervision for a period of five (5) years, and ordered to complete one hundred twenty (120) hours of community service.

7. Respondent states that she currently possesses a diagnosis of Bipolar Disorder, and is unable to make rational decisions without medication. Respondent's Bipolar Disorder is currently being treated by Dr. Chandrakant Patel at Johnson County MHMR, Cleburne, 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 302.402(a)(10), Texas Occupations Code.
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 179231, heretofore issued to WENDY DAWN BREHM, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Board of Nurse Examiners, that Vocational Nurse License Number 179231, previously issued to WENDY DAWN BREHM, to practice vocational nursing in Texas is hereby suspended for a period of three (3) years with the suspension stayed and Respondent is hereby placed on probation for three (3) years with the following agreed terms of probation:

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate privilege, if any, to practice vocational 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 multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the State of Texas and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

(1) RESPONDENT 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 Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.01 *et seq.* and this Order.

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL deliver the wallet-sized license issued to WENDY DAWN BREHM, to the office of the Board of Nurse Examiners within three weeks of the date of this Order for appropriate notation.

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing jurisprudence. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience must include registered nurses. It must be a minimum of six (6) contact hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, and documentation of care. 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 is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure.

(4) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed, successfully complete a course in nursing 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. The course shall be a minimum of six (6) contact hours in length. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include Nurses. The course shall include content on the following: principles of

nursing ethics; confidentiality; and professional boundaries. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to verify RESPONDENT's successful completion of the course. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. *Board approved courses may be found on the Board's website, [www.bne.state.tx.us](http://www.bne.state.tx.us) (under BNE events).*

**IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A REGISTERED 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) YEAR(S) 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:**

(5) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in vocational 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 present employer within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in vocational 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.

(6) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in vocational 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 vocational nurse.

(7) For the first year of employment as a Licensed Vocational Nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse or a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Direct supervision requires another professional or vocational 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.

(8) For the remainder of the stipulation/probation period, RESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse or a Licensed Vocational 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.

(9) 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 vocational nursing. These reports shall be completed by the Registered Nurse or Licensed Vocational 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(s) of employment as a vocational nurse.

(10) RESPONDENT SHALL participate in therapy with a "professional counselor" possessing credentials approved by the Board. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the therapist to submit written reports, on forms provided by the Board, as to the RESPONDENT's progress in therapy, rehabilitation and capability to safely practice vocational nursing. The report must indicate whether or not the RESPONDENT's stability is sufficient to provide direct patient care safely. Such reports are to be furnished each and every month for three (3) months. If therapy is recommended for beyond three (3) months, the reports shall then be required at the end of each three (3) month period for the duration of the probation period, or until RESPONDENT is dismissed from therapy.

(11) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE her probation officer to submit written reports on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board. The reports shall indicate the RESPONDENT's compliance with the court ordered probation. The reports shall be furnished each and every three (3) month period until RESPONDENT is released from probation.

(12) IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT be convicted of the offense(s) as outlined in Finding of Fact Number Six (6), said judicial action will result in further

disciplinary action including Revocation of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be issued an unencumbered license and multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

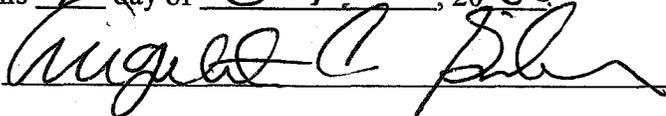
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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

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

Signed this 7 day of OCT., 20 05  
  
WENDY DAWN BREHM, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7 day of OCT., 20 05  
SEAL   
Notary Public in and for the State of TEXAS

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2005, by WENDY DAWN BREHM, Vocational Nurse License Number 179231; and said Order is final.

Effective this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005.



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