

IN THE MATTER OF  
PERMANENT CERTIFICATE  
NUMBER 537505  
ISSUED TO  
SHERI L. LANIER-MORRIS

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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 P. Roman*  
Executive Director of the Board

**ORDER OF THE BOARD**

TO: Sheri L. Lanier-Morris  
4514 Old Hearne Road  
Bryan, Texas 77803

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on Tuesday, 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 appear as required by 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

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 professional 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 regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.

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 for rehearing (22 TEX. ADMIN.CODE § 213.2(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 537505, previously issued to SHERI L. LANIER-MORRIS, to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Permanent Certificate Number 537505, previously issued to SHERI L. LANIER-MORRIS, 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 professional nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 10th day of June, 2008.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY: Kath A. Thomas  
KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Re: Permanent Certificate Number 537505  
Issued to SHERI L. LANIER-MORRIS  
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):

Sheri L. Lanier-Morris  
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Bryan, Texas 77803

BY:

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

In the Matter of Permanent License § BEFORE THE TEXAS  
Number 537505, Issued to §  
SHERI L. LANIER-MORRIS, Respondent § BOARD OF NURSING

### FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, SHERI L. LANIER-MORRIS, is a Registered Nurse holding license number 537505, 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 22, 2004, Respondent entered a plea of Nolo Contendere and was convicted of "Accident Involving Damage to Vehicle >=\$200," a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on March 5, 2004, in the County Court of Law No. 3 of Galveston County, Galveston, Texas, under Cause No. 232107. As a result, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Galveston County Jail for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days. However, the imposition of the sentence of confinement was suspended, and the Respondent was placed on community supervision for a period of twelve (12) months. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine and court costs, along with restitution in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

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

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## CHARGE II.

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On or about April 22, 2004, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to "Possession of a Controlled Substance, to wit: Ketamine," a 2nd Degree felony offense committed on March 5, 2004, in the 10th Judicial District Court of Galveston County, under Cause No. 04CR0582. As a result, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of guilt, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of five (5) years. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay court costs.

On or about April 22, 2004, Cause No. 04CR0581 was dismissed in the 10th Judicial District Court of Galveston County, Texas, because Respondent pled Guilty in Cause No. 04CR0582 and as a result of the plea, was placed on five (5) years deferred adjudication probation.

On April 15, 2005, an Order Modifying Community Supervision was entered in the 10th Judicial District Court of Galveston County, Texas, under Cause No. 04CR0582. The Order required Respondent to Participate in the Specialized Substance Abuse Supervision Program for a period of one (1) year.

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

## CHARGE III.

From approximately October 30, 2006 through June 25, 2007, Respondent passed prescriptions from various physicians for Hydrocodone at different pharmacies in Webster, Baytown, Pasadena, and Bryan, Texas, which may indicate Respondent lacked fitness to practice professional nursing, and/or she is chemically dependent on Hydrocodone, as follows:

Date	Medication	Physician	Pharmacy
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11/15/2006	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 90	Sharma	Walgreens
11/25/2006	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 30	Halbert	Walgreens

12/03/2006	hydrocodone/apap 7.5/750; qty 10	Lasell	Kroger
12/05/2006	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 20	Sharma	Walgreens
12/07/2006	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 70	Sharma	Walgreens
12/13/2006	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 10	Halbert	Walgreens
12/16/2006	hydrocodone/apap 7.5/750; qty 10	Lasell	Kroger
12/20/2006	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 180	Kahn	Walgreens
01/02/2007	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 180	Sharma	Walgreens
01/24/2007	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 180	Sharma	Walgreens
02/06/2007	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 120	Kahn	Walgreens
02/16/2007	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 180	Sharma	Walgreens
03/01/2007	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 160	Kahn	Walgreens
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03/28/2007	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 90	Kahn	Medical Center Pharmacy
04/07/2007	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 120	Pocurull	Walgreens
05/04/2007	hydrocodone/apap 10/500; qty 120	Pocurull	Walgreens
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The use of Hydrocodone by a Nurse could impair the nurse's ability to make rational, accurate and appropriate assessments, judgments and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.

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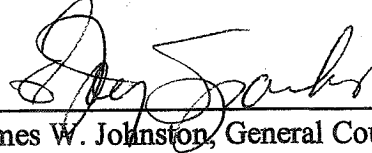
NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of revocation of Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Board's rules, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§ 213.27 - 213.33. Additionally, staff will seek to impose on Respondent the administrative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

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Filed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2008.

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**ORDER OF THE BOARD**

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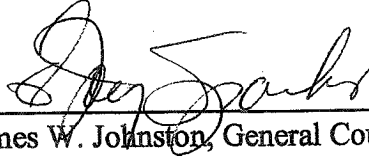
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