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Katherine A. Thomas
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse License Number 618121 § AGREED
and Vocational Nurse License Number 130124 §
issued to GREGORY D. FRIESZ § ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Bo considered the matter of GREGORY D. FRIESZ, Registered Nurse License Number 618121 and Vocational Nurse License Number 130124, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Article 4525(b)(2)&(9), Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on April 7, 2008, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director.

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 professional nursing in the State of Texas. Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas is currently in "delinquent" status.
4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Lamar University, Port Arthur, Texas, on August 17, 1990, and received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Lamar University, Orange, Texas, on May 1, 1995. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, on November 28, 1990, and was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on June 27, 1995.
5. Respondent's professional and vocational nursing employment history includes:

1990-1994	Staff Nurse Memorial Hermann Baptist Hospital Beaumont, Texas
1990-1994	Staff Nurse Park Place Medical Center Port Arthur, Texas
1994-1996	Staff/Charge Nurse Park Place Medical Center Port Arthur, Texas
1994-1998	Staff Nurse Memorial Hermann Baptist Hospital Beaumont, Texas
1996-1998	Nurse Supervisor Park Place Medical Center Port Arthur, Texas
1998-2002	Nursing Supervisor Memorial Hermann Baptist Hospital Beaumont, Texas
2003-2006	Nurse Manager Kaweah Delta HealthCare District Visalia, California
2006-Present	Clinical Specialist Kaweah Delta HealthCare District Visalia, California

6. On or about December 11, 1994, Respondent was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated, a Class B Misdemeanor by the Beaumont Police Department.

On or about July 19, 1995, Respondent was convicted of Driving While Intoxicated, a Class B Misdemeanor, in the County Court at Law Number Two, Jefferson County, Texas, under Cause Number 182540. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to serve ninety (90) days in the Jefferson County Jail, with the imposition of the jail sentence suspended and placed on one (1) year probation. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a \$600.00 fine and \$205.00 in court costs. Board records indicate this conviction was not reported at the time of the incident.

7. Respondent submitted a written response stating the reason he never disclosed it to the Board was because the initial application read, you may exclude minor traffic violations and his attorney informed him since it was a Class B Misdemeanor it met the definition of a minor traffic violation.

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 Article 4525(b)(2)&(9), TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN., and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.13(17).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 618121 and Vocational Nurse License Number 130124, heretofore issued to GREGORY D. FRIESZ, including revocation of Respondent's license's to practice professional and vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of REMEDIAL EDUCATION WITH A FINE, and 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.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice professional and vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license is encumbered by this Order, 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.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

(1) RESPONDENT SHALL deliver the wallet-sized license issued to GREGORY D. FRIESZ to the office of the Texas Board of Nursing within ten (10) days of the date of ratification of this Order for appropriate notation.

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and 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. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include nurses. It shall be a minimum of six (6) contact hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, documentation of care, principles of nursing ethics, confidentiality, professional boundaries, and the Board's Disciplinary Sanction Policies regarding Sexual Misconduct, Fraud, Theft and Deception, Nurses with Chemical Dependency, and Lying and Falsification. 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 shall be taken in addition to any other courses stipulated in this Order, if any, and in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board has for relicensure. *Board-approved courses may be found at the following*

Board website address: <http://www.bne.state.tx.us/about/stipscourses.html>.

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days of entry of this Order. Payment is to be made directly to the Texas Board of Nursing in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be issued unencumbered licenses and multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice professional and 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 when this Order becomes final and the terms of this Order become effective, 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 professional and vocational nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 27 day of May, 2008.

Gregory D. Friesz
GREGORY D. FRIESZ, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

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Notary Public in and for the State of _____

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Signature of Document Signer No. 2 (if any)

State of California

County of Tulare

Subscribed and ~~sworn to~~ (or affirmed) before me on this

27th day of May, 2008, by

(1) Gregory D. Friesz
Name of Signer

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who appeared before me (.) (.)

(and

(2) _____
Name of Signer

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who appeared before me.)

Signature _____

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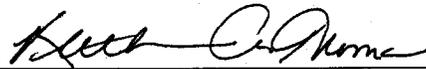
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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 27th day of May, 2008, by GREGORY D. FRIESZ, Registered Nurse License Number 618121 and Vocational Nurse License Number 130124, and said Order is final.

Effective this 9th day of June, 2008.



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