

IN THE MATTER OF VOCATIONAL  
NURSE LICENSE NUMBER 173874 AND  
AND MULTISTATE LICENSURE COMPACT  
PRIVILEGE ASSOCIATED WITH ARKANSAS  
LICENSE NUMBER 144606  
ISSUED TO JENNIFER SUZANNE PATTON

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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. Roman*  
Executive Director of the Board

### ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: Jennifer Suzanne Patton  
934 Brookhaven Ct. #106  
Springdale, Arkansas 72764

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on September 9, 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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas and multistate license compact privilege associated with Arkansas License Number L144606.

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 Vocational License Number 173874 and multistate license compact privilege associated with Arkansas License Number L144606, previously issued to JENNIFER SUZANNE PATTON, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Vocational Nurse License Number 173874 and multistate license compact privilege associated with Arkansas License Number L144606, previously issued to JENNIFER SUZANNE PATTON, 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 9th day of September, 2008.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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

Re: Vocational Nurse License Number 173874  
and Multistate Licensure Compact Privilege  
Associated with Arkansas License Number L44606  
Issued to JENNIFER SUZANNE PATTON  
DEFAULT ORDER -REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 22 day of September, 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):

Jennifer Suzanne Patton  
934 Brookhaven Ct. #106  
Springdale, Texas 72764

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

In the Matter of Vocational Nurse License § BEFORE THE TEXAS  
Number 173874, and Multistate Licensure §  
Compact Privilege Associated with §  
Arkansas License Number L44606 Issued to §  
JENNIFER SUZANNE PATTON, Respondent § BOARD OF NURSING

### FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b) and 304.001, Art. 3(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, JENNIFER SUZANNE PATTON, is a Vocational Nurse holding license number 173874, which is in MSR TX Invalid status at the time of this pleading. Respondent currently has a multistate licensure privilege based on her Arkansas License Number L44606.

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 July 24, 2001, Respondent plead guilty and was convicted of THEFT BY CHECK > \$20 < \$500 (a class B misdemeanor offense), in the Coryell County Court of Law, Gatesville, Texas.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 302.402(A)(3) & (10) and 304.001, Art. 3(b), Texas Occupations Code and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(29)(a).

#### CHARGE II.

On or about June 17, 2003, Respondent answered "no" to the following questions on the application for renewal of license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas: "Were you convicted of a misdemeanor since your last renewal?" On or about July 24, 2001, Respondent was convicted of THEFT BY CHECK > \$20 < \$500 (a class B misdemeanor offense), in the Coryell County Court of Law, Gatesville, Texas. Respondent's conduct was deceiving and may have affected the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners's decision to license her.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 302.402(A)(2) & (10) and 304.001, Art. 3(b), Texas Occupations Code and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §239.11(8).

### CHARGE III.

On or about February 24, 2006, Respondent's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Arkansas was issued a Letter of Reprimand. Respondent answered "no" on the endorsement application to the Arkansas State Board of Nursing to the following question: "Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony or pled guilty or nolo contendere to any charge in any state or jurisdiction?" On or about July 24, 2001, Respondent was convicted of THEFT BY CHECK > \$20 < \$500 (a class B misdemeanor offense), in the Coryell County Court of Law, Gatesville, Texas. A copy of the February 24, 2006, Arkansas State Board of Nursing Letter of Reprimand is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(8) and 304.001, Art. 3(b), Texas Occupations Code.

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).

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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).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on Adopted Disciplinary Sanction Policies Lying and Falsification Fraud, Theft & Deception which can be found at the Board's website, [www.bon.state.tx.us](http://www.bon.state.tx.us).

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

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



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Attachments: State of Arkansas Order of the Board dated February 24, 2006

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