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Patricia P. Plummer
Executive Director of the Board

BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSE EXAMINERS * STATE OF TEXAS
VS. *
RONALD CURTIS PYLE * COUNTY OF TRAVIS

AGREED BOARD ORDER

On this day came to be considered by the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners the matter of RONALD CURTIS PYLE, an Applicant for Licensure by, examination hereinafter called Applicant.

By letter, the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners sent preliminary notice to Applicant of its intent to take disciplinary action with respect to said Application for Licensure, as a result of a subsequent investigation. Said investigation produced evidence indicating that Applicant has been convicted of a crime of the grade of a misdemeanor that relates to the practice of vocational nursing in violation of the Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 302, Section 302.402 (a) (3) (B), in the following manner:

- a. On or about December 4, 2000, Applicant submitted his Application for Licensure by Examination to the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas. On said Application, Applicant answered "yes" to the question(s) asking: "Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor other than a minor traffic violation?"
- b. On or about June 18, 1979, Applicant was convicted of the Misdemeanor offense of: EVADE ARREST, in the County Criminal Court at Law Number 3 Court of Harris County, Texas, under Cause Number 0557617. As a result of said conviction; Applicant was assessed a fine.
- c. On or about February 11, 1988, Applicant was convicted of the Misdemeanor offense of: DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 1ST, in the County Criminal Court at Law Number 3 Court of Harris County, Texas, under Cause Number 0963705. As a result of said conviction; Applicant was placed on probation for a period of two (2) years.

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d. On or about August 18, 1995, Applicant was convicted of the Misdemeanor offense of: PUBLIC INTOXICATION, in the County Criminal Court at Law Number 3 Court of Harris County, Texas, under Cause Number 30947. As a result of said conviction; Applicant was assessed a fine.

e. Applicant has been convicted of a crime, which the Board considers to be directly related to the duties and responsibilities of a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Said conviction is inconsistent with the basic duties and responsibilities inherent in the occupation of vocational nursing in that said occupation requires knowledge and familiarity of drugs, and compliance with drug laws.

By Applicant's signature on this Order, Applicant neither admits nor denies the truth of the matters previously set out in this Order with respect to the above mentioned investigation. By Applicant's signature on this Order, Applicant acknowledges that they have read and understood this Order and have approved it for consideration by the Board.

By their notarized signature on this Order, Applicant does hereby waive the right to a formal Complaint, Notice of Hearing, and a Public Hearing held before an Administrative Law Judge with the State Office of Administrative Hearings, and to judicial review of this disciplinary action. Notice of this disciplinary action will appear in the Board's newsletter sent to Texas employers.

ORDER OF THE BOARD

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, that RONALD CURTIS PYLE is hereby allowed to take the examination for licensure, and upon obtaining a passing score, be issued a license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas. Said license shall be suspended, with said suspension stayed and placed on probation for a period of one (1) year.

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The probation of said license is subject to the following stipulations, to wit:

1. That if Applicant's place of employment, name, address or telephone number changes, Applicant is to notify the Board office immediately, or no later than ten (10) days after said change has occurred. Said Notification shall be in the form of a written letter or report.
2. That Applicant shall comply with Federal, State, and local laws, and all the provisions of the Texas Occupations Code and Rules and Regulations of the Board.
3. That by copy of this Board Order Applicant shall provide notice of Board disciplinary action to his/her immediate nursing supervisor(s) and Director(s) of Nursing, throughout the term of probation.
4. That Applicant shall be responsible for causing his/her immediate nursing supervisor(s) to submit satisfactory reports directly to the Board office on a monthly basis for the first three (3) months of probation. Thereafter, and throughout the remainder of said probation, Applicant shall be responsible for causing his/her immediate nursing supervisor(s) to submit satisfactory reports directly to the Board office on a quarterly basis.
5. That any period(s) of nursing unemployment must be documented in writing by Applicant and submitted to the Board office, as provided in Stipulation No. 4.
6. That Applicant shall work only under the supervision of a licensed medical professional (M.D., R.N., L.V.N.) who is physically present on the work premises during Applicant's shift assignment(s), throughout the term of probation.
7. That Applicant shall not be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, home health agency, or as a private duty nurse, throughout the term of probation.
8. That Applicant shall and hereby agrees to abstain from the consumption of Alcohol, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan or other synthetic opiates, and or use of unprescribed controlled substances. Any controlled or legend medication must be prescribed by a physician knowledgeable about the disease of addiction, as well as Applicant's history, and it is incumbent upon Applicant to ensure such physician knowledge. If prescribed medication, APPLICANT SHALL CAUSE the attending physician to submit a written report identifying the medication, dosage and the date the medication was prescribed. The report shall be submitted directly to the Board office by the prescribing physician, within ten (10) days of the date of the prescription.
9. That Applicant shall through the Board's agent (DISA), submit to random blood alcohol and urine drug screens.

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10. That Applicant shall be responsible daily for telephoning DISA's Voice Response (DVR) at 1-800-580-1099. That said drug screen shall be administered through the policies and procedures of the Drug Intervention Services of America, Inc. (DISA), utilizing LabCorp facilities. That said drug-screening panel shall consist of the following:

11. Alcohol (Ethanol)	Cannabinoids	Methaqualone
12. Amphetamines	Cocaine	Opiates
13. Barbiturates	Meperidine	Phencyclidine
14. Benzodiazepines	Methadone	Propoxyphene

15. Said screen(s) shall be properly monitored with adherence to chain of custody procedures. A positive result shall be legally confirmed by Gas Liquid Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GCMS). The results of said screen(s) shall be submitted directly to the Board office by the laboratory. The expense of said screen(s) shall be borne by Applicant. Any report of failure to contact DISA and/or a positive drug screen for which the Applicant does not have a valid prescription, will be regarded as non-compliance with the terms of this Order and may subject the Applicant to further disciplinary action by the Board.

16. That Applicant shall pay a Probation Monitoring fee in the amount of thirty (\$30.00) dollars in the form of a cashier's check order, payable to the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners. Said fee shall be paid quarterly, due on the 15th of each quarter, commencing the quarter following the date of the Board's endorsement of the Order, and continuing thereafter until the successful completion of Applicant's probation. Said fee shall be sent to the Board office, addressed to the "Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners", 333 Guadalupe, Suite 3-400, Austin, TX 78701. Failure by Respondent to make any quarterly payment on time shall constitute a violation of Probation.

This Agreed Order shall not be effective or take effect and become enforceable in accordance with its terms until endorsed by a majority of the Board present and voting, at its next regularly called session.

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Dated this the 17 day of April, 2001.

Ronald C Pyle
Signature of Applicant

RT 2 Box 6
Current Address

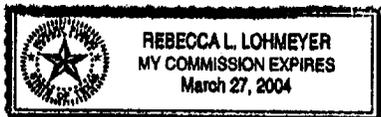
LOVELAND, TX 75851
City, State and Zip

9361 636-2947
Area Code and Telephone Number

The State of Texas
County of Anderson

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared RONALD CURTIS PYLE, who being duly sworn by me stated that he or she executed the above for the purpose therein contained, and that he or she understood same.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this the 17 day of April, 2001.



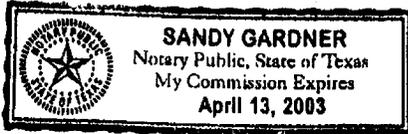
Rebecca L. Lohmeyer
NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR
THE STATE OF TEXAS
My Commission Expires 3-27-2004

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Mary M. Strange

Mary M. Strange, RN, MSN
Agent for the Board of
Vocational Nurse Examiners

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned authority, on this the
25th day of April, 2001.



Sandy Gardner

NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR
THE STATE OF TEXAS

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Board Order, notarized on the 17th day of April, 2001 by Applicant and that Said Order is Final.

Effective this 12th day of June, 2000



Mary M. Strange, RN, MSN.
Executive Director
On Behalf of Said Board

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 15TH day of June, 2001, a true and correct copy of the foregoing **BOARD ORDER** was served by placement in the U.S. Mail first class mail, and addressed to the following person(s):

RONALD CURTIS PYLE
RT 2 BOX 6
LOVELADY TX 75851



Mary M. Strange, RN, MSN.
Executive Director
Agent for the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners



BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSE EXAMINERS

333 GUADALUPE STREET, SUITE 3-400
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(512) 305-8100

October 24, 2002

RONALD PYLE
149 E MENEFFEE
LUFKIN TX 75901

Dear Mr. Pyle:

You have successfully completed your term of probation as stipulated by the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners.

All pertinent information will remain in your permanent records. We urge you in the future to promote and uphold the ethical standards a Licensed Vocational Nurse should practice.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn Hudson".

Carolyn Hudson
Probation Monitor, Enforcement Division

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