BOARD OF NURSING TEXAS
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.
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of	§
Vocational Nurse License Number 157151	§
issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS	§

ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 157151, issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing.

3. Respondent received a Certificate in Nursing from Ranger Junior College, Brownwood, Texas, on August 12, 1995. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas in April 2, 1996.

4. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.

5. On or about August 11, 2006, Respondent was issued the sanction of a Fine through an Agreed Order by the Board of Nurse Examiners. A copy of the Finding of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order dated August 11, 2006, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

6. On or about April 23, 2009, Respondent was issued the sanction of a Warning with Stipulations through an Agreed Order by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the Finding of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order dated April 23, 2009, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

7. On or about August 3, 2015, Respondent was issued an Order requiring her to complete the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN) by the Texas Board of Nursing. Respondent did not successfully complete the terms of the order. A copy of the Finding of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order dated August 3, 2015, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

8. On or about December 28, 2015, Respondent became noncompliant with the Agreed Order issued to her by the Texas Board of Nursing on August 3, 2015. Noncompliance is the result of her failure to comply with all requirements of the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN) participation agreement, in that she voluntarily withdrew from the program on December 22, 2015. More specifically, Respondent contacted TPAPN and requested that her case be closed as she had an exacerbation of her mental health condition and did not feel that she would be able to return to work in nursing at that time. Section I, Stipulation D of the Agreed Order dated August 3, 2015, states:

   "(D) RESPONDENT SHALL comply with all requirements of the TPAPN participation agreement during its term..."

   On or about December 28, 2015, Respondent was dismissed from TPAPN and referred back to the Board.

9. On January 26, 2016, the Board received a notarized statement from Respondent voluntarily surrendering the right to practice nursing in Texas. A copy of Respondent's notarized statement, dated January 14, 2016, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.

10. The Board policy implementing Rule 213.29 in effect on the date of this Agreed Order provides discretion by the Executive Director for consideration of conditional reinstatement after proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of abstinence from alcohol and drugs followed by licensure limitations/stipulations and/or peer assistance program participation.

11. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.

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(s) of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(4),(5),(9)&(11)(B).

4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 157151, heretofore issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.

6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.

7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TAC§§213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

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ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 157151, heretofore issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is/are accepted by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice vocational nursing, use the title of vocational nurse or the abbreviation LVN or wear any insignia identifying herself as a vocational nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a vocational nurse during the period in which the license is surrendered.

2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order; and, RESPONDENT has obtained objective, verifiable proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety immediately preceding the petition.

3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

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

Effective this 26th day of January, 2016.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By: Katherine A. Thomas

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

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of	§	AGREED
Vocational Nurse License Number 157151	§	
issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS	§	ORDER

BOARD OF NURSING TEXAS
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.
Executive Director of the Board

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board considered the matter of JULIE ANN MULLINS, Vocational Nurse License Number 157151, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on June 1, 2015.

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(s).

2. Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order.

3. Respondent's license to practice as a vocational nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.

4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Ranger Junior College-Brownwood Extension, Brownwood, Texas, on August 12, 1995. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on April 2, 1996.

5. Respondent's complete nursing employment history is unknown.

6. On or about August 11, 2006, Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing was issued a sanction of a FINE AND REMEDIAL EDUCATION. Respondent successfully completed the terms of this order. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order of the Board, dated August 11, 2006, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.

7. On or about April 23, 2009, Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing was issued a sanction of a WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS. Respondent successfully completed the terms of this order. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order of the Board, dated April 23, 2009, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.

8. On or about May 4, 2014, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form to the Texas Board of Nursing in which she answered "No" to the question:

> "In the past 5 years, have you been addicted to or treated for the use of alcohol or any other drug? (You may answer "no" if you have completed and/or are in compliance with TPAPN)."

Respondent failed to disclose that, beginning in February 2014, Respondent enrolled in a six (6) week rehabilitation program for drug abuse at MHMR in Brownwood, Texas.

9. On or about December 5, 2014, Respondent was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety of Brown County, Brownwood, Texas, and subsequently charged under Cause No. 1500257 for DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, a Class B misdemeanor offense. On or about February 12, 2015, Respondent entered into the Brown County Misdemeanor First Time Offender's Program in the County Court at Law, Brown County, and was placed on probation for a period of twelve (12) months.

10. On or about December 5, 2014, Respondent made an admission to a Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper while being transported to Brownwood Memorial Hospital, that she is a drug user, and admitted to abusing methamphetamine, K2 (synthetic marijuana), and marijuana. Respondent disclosed that she has used methamphetamines on and off for approximately twelve (12) years, having last used in November 2014. Possession of methamphetamine, synthetic marijuana (K2), and marijuana is prohibited by Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health & Safety Code. The use of methamphetamine, synthetic marijuana (K2), and marijuana by a Licensed Vocational Nurse, while subject to call or duty, could impair the nurse's ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms, or changes in a patient's condition, and could impair the nurse's ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing a patient in potential danger.

11. In response to Findings of Fact Numbers Eight (8) through Ten (10), Respondent denies failing to disclose on the 2014 renewal. Respondent states she has dealt with struggles in her life, but takes her career very seriously. Respondent admits she was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. Respondent states she had restarted a prescription medication due to some recent stress. Respondent denies disclosing to an officer that she is a drug user.

12. On April 16, 2015, Respondent submitted to a Psychological Evaluation with Joyce M. Gayles, PhD. Dr. Gayles advised that although testing indicates Respondent does not have a Substance Dependence Disorder, Respondent admits to a pattern of using substances to self-medicate in order to change her mood and to take her mind off of problems. Dr. Gayles

recommends that Respondent continue to see her counselor on a regular basis, participate in a 12-step program for substance abusers, and be referred to the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN) for support.

13. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.

14. Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact was reportable under the provisions of Sections 301.401-301.419, Texas Occupations Code.

15. Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact resulted from or was significantly influenced by Respondent's substance use disorder.

16. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or substance use disorder.

17. Respondent's compliance with the terms of a Board approved peer assistance program should be sufficient to protect patients and the public.

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(s) of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(5),(6)(I),(10)(A),(11)(B)&(13).

4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 157151, heretofore issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

5. Pursuant to Section 301.463(d), Texas Occupations Code, this Agreed Order is a settlement agreement under Rule 408, Texas Rules of Evidence, in civil or criminal litigation.

6. The Board may, in its discretion, order a nurse to participate in a peer assistance program approved by the Board if the nurse would otherwise have been eligible for referral to peer assistance pursuant to Section 301.410, Texas Occupations Code.

TERMS OF ORDER

I. SANCTION AND APPLICABILITY

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that Vocational Nurse License Number 157151, previously issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS, to practice nursing in Texas is hereby **SUSPENDED** and said suspension is **ENFORCED** until Respondent:

A. **Applies to, is accepted into, and completes enrollment in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN),** including payment of a non-refundable participation fee in the amount of three hundred fifty dollars ($350.00); and

B. Waives confidentiality and **provides a copy of the fully executed TPAPN participation agreement to the Board.**

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, upon verification of successful completion of the above requirements, the Suspension will be **STAYED**, and RESPONDENT will be placed on **PROBATION** for such a time as is required for RESPONDENT to successfully complete the TPAPN **AND** until Respondent fulfills the additional requirements of this Order.

C. RESPONDENT SHALL pay all re-registration fees, if applicable, and RESPONDENT'S licensure status in the State of Texas will be updated to reflect the applicable conditions outlined herein.

D. RESPONDENT SHALL comply with all requirements of the TPAPN participation agreement during its term and SHALL keep all applicable license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas current.

E. ~~RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the TPAPN to notify the Texas Board of~~ Nursing of any violation of the TPAPN participation agreement.

F. This Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

G. This Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

H. Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state without first obtaining the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the nurse licensure compact party state where Respondent wishes to work.

II. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT agrees to comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§211.1 *et seq.*, and this Order.

III. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

In addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may require for licensure renewal, RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) **within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed**:

A Board-approved course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics that shall be a minimum of six (6) 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 Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder; and Lying and Falsification. Courses focusing on malpractice issues will not be accepted. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.

In order to receive credit for completion of this/these course(s), RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form or SHALL submit the continuing education certificate, as applicable, to the attention of Monitoring at the Board's office. RESPONDENT SHALL first obtain Board approval of any course prior to enrollment if the course is not being offered by a pre-approved provider. *Information about Board-approved courses and Verification of Course Completion forms are available from the Board at www.bon.texas.gov/compliance.*

IV. MONETARY FINE

RESPONDENT SHALL **pay a monetary fine in the amount two hundred fifty dollars ($250). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within 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.

V. FURTHER COMPLAINTS

If, during the period of probation, an additional allegation, accusation, or petition is reported or filed against the Respondent's license(s), the probationary period shall not expire and shall automatically be extended until the allegation, accusation, or petition has been acted upon by the Board.

VI. EFFECT OF NONCOMPLIANCE

SHOULD RESPONDENT fail to comply with this Order or the terms of the participation agreement with the TPAPN, such noncompliance will result in further disciplinary action including TEMPORARY SUSPENSION pursuant to Section 301.4551, Texas Occupations Code, or REVOCATION of Respondent's license(s) and nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

VII. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

Upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and RESPONDENT may be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

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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 violation(s) alleged herein. I do acknowledge possessing a diagnosis that deems me eligible to participate in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the entry of this Order and all conditions of said Order to obtain disposition of the allegations through peer assistance and to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order becomes effective upon acceptance by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, 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(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 28th day of July, 2015

Julie Ann Mullins

JULIE ANN MULLINS, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of July, 2015.

SEAL

Rita Hairston

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

RITA HAIRSTON
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF TEXAS
My Commission Expires 04-09-2018

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 28th day of July, 2015, by JULIE ANN MULLINS, Vocational Nurse License Number 157151, and said Order is final.

Effective this 3rd day of August, 2015.

Katherine A. Thomas

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

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Vocational Nurse	§	AGREED
License Number 157151	§	
issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS	§	ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Bo considered the matter of JULIE ANN MULLINS, Vocational Nurse License Number 157 hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on January 9, 2009, 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 proceedings, 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 received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Ranger Junior College, Brownwood, Texas, on August 12, 1995. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on April 2, 1996

5. Respondent's complete vocational nursing employment history is unknown.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING
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Executive Director of the Board

6. On August 11, 2006, Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing was issued a sanction of a Fine by the Texas Board of Nurse Examiners. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Agreed Order dated August 11, 2006 is attached and incorporated by reference as part of this Order.

7. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as an Agency Nurse with A & A NurseStaff, Inc., San Angelo, Texas, and had been in this position for twenty (20) days.

8. On or about January 8, 2007, through January 25, 2007, while employed with A & A NurseStaff, Inc., San Angelo, Texas, and on assignment with San Angelo Community Medical Center, San Angelo, Texas, Respondent misrepresented herself as a registered nurse, in that she wore a name badge that had "RN" after her name and she told staff members that she was a Registered Nurse. Respondent holds a license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the facility and could have affected the decision to continue employment.

9. Respondent states that the badge she wore was made by the staff at the facility and given to her to wear while she was on duty. She failed to inspect the badge when it was handed out upon completion of her orientation. She started working on a Monday in the Progressive Care Unit and at this time she realized her badge was incorrect, the unit was busy and she failed to go and get her badge corrected. She denies that she intentionally misrepresented herself, there was not monetary gain. The House Supervisor approached her because they needed a charge nurse and she informed her that she was an LVN and there was an error on her badge. She was immediately asked to leave the facility and did not complete her patient care for that day. She denies she practiced outside of her realm, however she feels the facility believes she was trying to do so.

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 a violation of Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(6)(H)(I).

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 157151, heretofore issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS, 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 Texas Board of Nursing, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.1 *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 nursing in compact states.

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 Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that:

(1) 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 <u>not</u> 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 Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder, 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.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.*

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars ($250). 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, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A 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 STIPULATIONS FOR ONE (1) YEAR OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE STIPULATION PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH TWELVE (12) MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT OR OF EMPLOYMENT THAT DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF A VOCATIONAL NURSE (LVN) LICENSE WILL NOT APPLY TO THIS STIPULATION PERIOD:

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations 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 nursing of this Order of the Board and the stipulations 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.

(4) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in 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 nurse.

(5) For the duration 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.

(6) 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 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) month period for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT's license and RESPONDENT shall be eligible for multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice 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 violation 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 17th day of February 2009.

Julie Mullins

JULIE ANN MULLINS, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of February, 2009.

Betty Dian Green

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

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BETTY DIAN GREEN
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF TEXAS
EXPIRES
APRIL 7, 2011

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 17th day of February, 2009, by JULIE ANN MULLINS, Vocational Nurse License Number 157151, and said Order is final.

Effective this 23rd day of April, 2009.

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

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS
FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of License Number 157151	§	AGREED
Issued to: JULIE ANN MULLINS	§	ORDER

On this day, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of JULIE ANN MULLINS, License Number 157151, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.303 and Section 301.452(b)(1), Texas Occupations Code and 22 Texas Administrative Code, §216.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice, hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order offered by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director, on behalf of 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 consented to the entry of this Order.

3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocatinal nursing in the State of Texas.

4. Respondent failed to make full and timely compliance with the Board's requirements for continuing education for the period ending 02/2006.

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. Evidence received was sufficient to prove violation of Section 301.303 and Section 301.452(b)(1) Texas Occupations Code, and 22 Texas Administrative Code §216.3.

4. Respondent's failure to comply with Continuing Education requirements is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b) Texas Occupations Code to take disciplinary action against License Number 157151, heretofore issued to JULIE ANN MULLINS, including revocation of Respondent's vocatinal license to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a Fine in the amount of One Hundred Dollars ($100), and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, Annotated, as amended, Texas Occupations Code §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 Texas Administrative Code, §211.01 *et seq.*, and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that RESPONDENT SHALL submit, with this signed Agreed Order and the fine, documentation of successful completion of twenty (20) Type I contact hours of continuing education. Documentation shall include copies of certificates of program attendance. These contact hours are to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure.

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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 violation 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 becomes final and effective when entered by the Executive Director and that 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 vocatinal nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 2 day of August, 2006.

JULIE ANN MULLINS, Respondent

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas ratifies and acknowledges satisfaction of the requirements of the Agreed Order that was signed on the 2nd day of August, 2006, by JULIE ANN MULLINS, License Number 157151, and said Order is final.

Signed this 11th day of August, 2006.

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

Julie Ann Mullins
7350 FM 585 N
Bangs, Texas 76823
Vocational Nurse License Number 157151

Voluntary Surrender Statement

Dear Texas Board of Nursing:

I no longer desire to be licensed as a nurse. Accordingly, I voluntarily surrender my license(s) to practice in Texas. I waive representation by counsel and consent to the entry of an Order which outlines requirements for reinstatement of my license. I understand that I may not petition for reinstatement until one (1) year from the effective date of the Order. I understand that I will be required to comply with the Board's Rules and Regulations in effect at the time I submit any petition for reinstatement.

Signature Julie Mullins

Date 1/14/16

Vocational Nurse License Number 157151

The State of Texas

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared JULIE ANN MULLINS 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 before me the 14th day of January, 2016.

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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

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Notary ID #129888059
My Commission Expires
July 16, 2018