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**In the matter of: Deborah Lee-Bown
P O Box 1713
Natalbany, LA 70451**

Applicant for licensure, last four digits S.S. #0005

Date offered: June 13, 2013

Date offer expires: July 8, 2013

CONSENT ORDER

To facilitate a conclusion to the allegations against **Deborah Lee-Bown**, applicant for licensure, the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners does hereby offer this Consent Agreement. The allegations include:

The board received the respondent's First Time Writers Application to write the NCLEX-PN. On the respondent's Evaluation Form for Admission into the Practical Nursing Program at Northshore Technical Community College, Hammond Area Campus, the respondent answered "YES" to question 32 which asks:

"Have you ever been indicted, charged with, summoned into court as a defendant in a criminal proceeding, arrested (even if you were not taken away in handcuffs or incarcerated), fined, imprisoned, placed on probation or ordered to deposit bail for the violation of any law, police regulation or ordinance, misdemeanor and/or felony offense (except for minor traffic violations) whether or not charges were dismissed and/or refused; or have you ever been convicted (including a nolo contendere plea or guilty plea) of any criminal misdemeanor and/or felony".

The respondent reported the following arrests:

- 8/14/1998 D.U.I.
- 5/12/1999 Assault

The respondent's Federal Bureau of Investigations criminal background record revealed the following arrests which the respondent failed to report to the board as required:

- **5/12/1999** – 1) 1 count of force with a dangerous weapon; 2) 1 count of burglary first degree; 3) 1 count of trespassing; 4) threaten crime with intent to terrorize.
- **7/29/2002** – 1) 1 count of probation violation/revoke; 2) 1 count of force with a dangerous weapon; 3) 1 count of threatening a crime with intent to terrorize.
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- **7/16/2006** – 1) 1 count of disturbing conduct under the influence of drugs and alcohol.
- **12/17/2006** – 1) 1 count of harm/death, elder/dependent adult; 2) 1 count of battery, spouse/ex-spouse.

The board received the respondent's narrative statement and court documents related to each arrest. All matters with the courts are closed.

Based on the evidence submitted, the board has concluded that **Ms. Lee-Bown** is in violation of the following provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 37, Chapter 11. Nurses, Part II. Practical Nurses, Section 969 A. 4. **(b) is guilty of a crime; (f) is guilty of unprofessional conduct; (g) has violated any provisions of this Part; and §978 A. (8) Violate any provisions of this Part.** As further defined in the Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 46, Part XLVII. Nurses, Subpart 1, Practical Nurses, Section 306:

2. **being guilty of a crime;**
8. **being guilty of unprofessional conduct;**
 - i. **falsifying records;**
 - t. **violating any provisions of R.S. 37:961 et seq. (the practical nursing practice act), as amended or aiding or abetting therein.**

In lieu of a formal hearing on the matter, the respondent consents to accept and abide by the following Orders of the board:

1. That the respondent be issued a Letter of Reprimand as disciplinary action against her license for the violations of the Nurse Practice Act.
2. That the respondent be fined \$500.00, **payable by cashier's check or money order only** for the violations of the Nurse Practice Act, payable prior to being made eligible to write the NCLEX-PN.
3. That upon receipt of fine payment, the respondent will be made eligible to write the NCLEX-PN and if successfully writes the exam, she will be issued a license to practice practical nursing in the State of Louisiana.

Furthermore, the respondent is hereby notified and by signature Deborah D. Lee - Bown acknowledges and agrees that failure to comply with the Orders of the board may result in any or all of the following:

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VIOLATIONS

Failure to comply with any and/or all sections of this order may result in any and/or all of the following: a) immediate suspension of license, b) indefinite suspension of license, c) ineligibility for annual renewal of license, d) additional fines/penalties up to \$500.00 per occurrence, e) increased probationary period, f) summary suspension, and/or g) revocation.

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LETTER OF REPRIMAND

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The Board has jurisdiction over your license and hereby publicly reprimands you for violating the Nurse Practice Act. This letter of reprimand is considered disciplinary action by the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners. This disciplinary action is reportable to all applicable state and federal agencies.

M Lynn Ansardi RN

**M. Lynn Ansardi, RN
Executive Director**

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