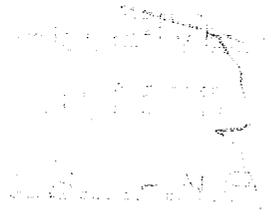


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In the matter of: April Arnold
989 Jake Rigmaiden Rd.
DeQuincy, LA 70633

Applicant for licensure, last four digits S.S. #8415

Date offered: March 22, 2013

Date offer expires: April 10, 2013

CONSENT ORDER

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

On July 9, 2012, the board received the respondent's Application for licensure, requesting to obtain a practical nursing license in the State of Louisiana.

On this form she answered "NO" to the question that asks:

Have you ever been charged, arrested, pled no contest, entered into a District Attorney Intervention program, summoned into court as a defendant in a criminal proceeding, convicted, fined, imprisoned, placed on probation or ordered to deposit bail for the violation of any law, police regulation or ordinance, except for minor traffic violations or are there charges pending against you for a crime (misdemeanor or felony) in any state?

The respondent's Federal Bureau of Investigations Criminal Background Record revealed that the respondent was arrested on or about 4/22/2007, for the following charges:

- Operating a vehicle while intoxicated
- Reckless operation of a vehicle
- Vehicle license required

The Board received the respondent's narrative statement and court documents related to this arrest. On or about April 22, 2008, the respondent pled guilty to the charge of DWI (1st offense). The court sentenced her to serve 90 days in the Parish jail, suspended sentence and placed the respondent on unsupervised probation with stipulations for a period of 6 months. Since that time, all matters with the courts have been cleared.

April Arnold *AA*

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Based on the evidence submitted, the Board has concluded that **Ms. Arnold** is in violation of the following provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 37, Chapter 11. Nurses, Part II. Practical Nurses, Section 969 A. 4. **(a) is guilty of fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a license to practice practical nursing; (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:

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- 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 she be issued a Letter of Reprimand as disciplinary action against her license for the violations of the Nurse Practice Act.
- 2. That she 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 to being issued a practical nursing license in the state of Louisiana.

Furthermore, the respondent is hereby notified and by signature April Arnold acknowledges and agrees that failure to comply with the Orders of the Board may result in any or all of the following:

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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Applicant for licensure, last four digits S.S. #8415

Date **March 22, 2013**

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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
Executive Director

April Arnold

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CONSENT AGREEMENT ACCEPTANCE

I, **April Arnold**, the undersigned respondent, agree that the Board has jurisdiction over the matter and specifically waive my right to contest these findings in any subsequent proceedings before the Board. I understand that the Consent Agreement/ Order shall constitute as public record and is disciplinary action by the Board.

I further acknowledge and attest that I have fully cooperated with the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners in resolving this matter, and intend to comply with all stipulations of the order.

I voluntarily agree to sign and have witnessed the terms of the order for the purpose of avoiding a formal hearing with the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners.

I do say that I freely, knowingly and voluntarily enter into the order. I understand that I have a right to a hearing in the matter and I freely waive such right. I understand that I have a right to legal counsel prior to entering into the order.

I understand that the order is effective immediately upon signature of the Executive Director and will become an Order of the Board. It is understood that the order does not preclude the Board of Practical Nurse Examiners from requiring a formal hearing of my case. I further understand that should the Consent Order not be accepted by the Board, I agree that presentation to and consideration of the Consent Order, the documenting evidence and information by the Board shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Board or any of its members from participation in hearings or other proceedings pertaining to these or other matters regarding the respondent.

April Arnold 4/13/13
Signature of licensee Date

Willie Gordy 4/13/13
Signature of witness # 1 Date

Janet Gordy 4/13/13
Signature of witness # 2 Date

Date 4/13/13

Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners

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