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In the matter of: **Randy Leone**  
**268 Arthur Avenue**  
**Shreveport, LA 71105**

**License #260365**

Date offered: **October 17, 2013**

Date offer expires: **November 6, 2013**

### CONSENT ORDER

To facilitate a conclusion to the allegations against Randy Leone, LPN, the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners does hereby offer this consent order. The allegations include:

The board received information from Willis Knighton Health System that the respondent was terminated 5/3/13. The respondent cared for a patient on 4/29/13 at the Quick Care Clinic. The patient later called the clinic for advice due to continued discomfort. The patient's information was relayed to the respondent for follow up. On 5/1/13, the patient returned to the facility with a complaint that he had received inappropriate text messages from the respondent's telephone number. When questioned, the respondent indicated that he had entered the patient's telephone number into his cell phone while at work, but claimed he had erased the number from his phone after returning the patient's call from a facility telephone. The respondent suggested that someone else had originated the messages from his phone, but could not explain how the patient's number was still available on his telephone. The respondent was asked to return to the facility to discuss the matter, but failed to show after several requests.

Based on the evidence submitted, the board has concluded that Mr. Leone is in violation of the following provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 37, Chapter 11. Nurses, Part II. Practical Nurses, Section 969 A. 4. (c) is unfit, or incompetent by reason of negligence habit, or other causes; (f) is guilty of unprofessional conduct; and §978. A. (8) and B.

As further defined in the Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 46, Part XLVII. Nurses, Subpart 1, Practical Nurses, Section 306.T:

3. being unfit, or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other causes;
8. being guilty of unprofessional conduct;
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- d. violating the confidentiality of information or knowledge concerning a patient;
- g. improper use of drugs, medical supplies, or patients' records;
- j. intentionally committing any act that adversely affects the physical or psychosocial welfare of the patient;
- 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 he be issued a Letter of Reprimand as disciplinary action against his license for the violations of the Nurse Practice Act.
2. That he be fined \$500.00 for the violations of the Nurse Practice Act, payable by cashier's check or money order only due within ninety (90) days of the acceptance of this order.

Furthermore, the respondent is hereby notified and by signature Randy Leone 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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Furthermore, the respondent is hereby fined \$500.00 for the above violations, payable by cashier's check or money order only due within ninety (90) days of the acceptance of this order.

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 R N*

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M. Lynn Ansardi  
Executive Director

Randy Leone C.A.

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CONSENT ORDER ACCEPTANCE

I, Randy Leone, agree that the board has jurisdiction over this matter. I specifically waive my right to contest these findings in any subsequent proceedings before the board. I understand that this consent 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 these charges, and intend to comply with all stipulations of this order.

I voluntarily agree to sign and have witnessed the terms of this 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 this order. I understand that I have a right to a hearing in this matter and I freely waive such right. I understand that I have a right to legal counsel prior to entering into this order.

I understand that this order is effective immediately upon signature of the executive director and will become an order of the board. It is understood that this 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 this respondent.

Randy Leone 11/05/13  
Signature of licensee Date

Cisneros 11-5-13  
Signature of witness # 1 Date

L. Huel 11/5/13  
Signature of witness # 2 Date

Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners

M Lynn Ansardi RN 11/12/13  
M. LYNN ANSARDI Date  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Randy Leone C.A.

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