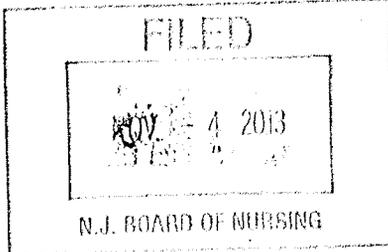
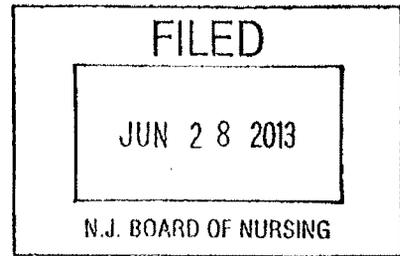


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
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STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR
REVOCATION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF

CAMILLA DOWD, C.H.H.A.
Certificate No. 26NH12976200

HOMEMAKER HOME HEALTH AIDE
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

PROVISIONAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

Finalized by Default on: _____

November 4, 2013

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and on which the following preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Camilla Dowd ("Respondent") was licensed as a homemaker-health aide in the State of New Jersey on August 4, 2011 and has been registered at all times relevant hereto. (See L2K attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit A)

2. On May 4, 2012, Respondent signed a memorandum admitting that she forged a patient's signature on her timesheet in order to be compensated for hours of services that Respondent did not work. Respondent received unearned compensation for approximately 90 days for a total earning of \$1800.00. Respondent admitted her guilt, resigned from employment with Reliable Home Care Services, and agreed to pay back the \$1800.00 in twelve (12) bi-weekly installments of \$150.00 (See Reliable Home Care Services Memorandum dated May 4, 2012 attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit B)

3. On July 20, 2012, Reliable Home Care Services reimbursed Horizon NJ Health in the amount of \$2790.00 after an internal audit revealed that Respondent forged a patient's signature in connection with the provision of providing Personal Care Assistant ("PCA") services to a patient. (See Reliable Home Care Services Letter dated July 20, 2012 attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit C)

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's dishonest use of a client's signature with the purpose of receiving unearned compensation demonstrates that she has engaged in the use of dishonesty, fraud, deception, or misrepresentation; in professional misconduct; and in acts constituting a crime or offense of moral turpitude or relating adverse to the activity regulated by the Board. Accordingly, the Board may take disciplinary action against Respondent's certificate

to practice as a homemaker-home health aide in New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b), (e), and (f).

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 28th day of June, 201~~7~~³,

ORDERED that:

1. Respondent's certificate to practice as a homemaker-home health aide be and hereby is provisionally suspended for a minimum of five (5) years.

2. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from holding herself out as a certified homemaker-home health aide and/or practicing as a homemaker-home health aide, which includes but is not limited to performing delegated nursing regimens or nursing tasks delegated through the authority of a duly licensed professional nurse.

3. Respondent shall immediately, upon entry of a Final Order of Discipline, surrender her original registration to the Executive Director of the Board by mailing same to George Hebert, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

4. Respondent may request a modification or dismissal of the above stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law within 30 days of the date this Provisional Order is filed by:

- a) Submitting a written request for modification or dismissal to George Hebert, Executive Director, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

- b) Setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed.
- c) Submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting Respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor or offered in mitigation of penalty.

5. Any submissions will be reviewed by the Board and the Board will thereafter determine whether further proceedings are necessary. If no material discrepancies are raised through a supplemental submission during the thirty-day period, or if the Board is not persuaded that the submitted materials merit further consideration, a Final Order will be entered.

6. In the event that Respondent's submissions establish a need for further proceedings, including, but not limited to an evidentiary hearing, Respondent shall be notified with regard thereto. In the event that an evidentiary hearing is ordered, the preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law contained herein may serve as notice of the factual and legal allegations in such proceeding. Further, in the event a hearing is held and upon review of the record, the Board shall not be limited to the findings, conclusions and sanctions stated herein.

7. In the event that the Board receives no written request for modification or dismissal within 30 days following entry of this Provisional Order, without further Board review, all referenced preliminary Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and all

provisional sanctions or penalties imposed by this Order shall automatically become the Final Decision and Order of the Board. Thereafter, Respondent's failure to comply with any sanction or penalty imposed by this Order shall be considered a violation of a Board Order in contravention of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (e) and (h) and N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4 and may subject Respondent to additional sanction and/or penalty.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:


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