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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
 DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
 DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
 BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION :	
FOR LICENSURE OF :	Administrative Action
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CANDRA JACKSON-ZIMMERMAN :	CONSENT ORDER
:	:
TO PRACTICE NURSING :	
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY :	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of Candra Jackson-Zimmerman's application for licensure as a Licensed Practical Nurse by examination, including a certification and authorization form for a criminal history background check, dated November 20, 2014. The results of the criminal history background check revealed a 2004 arrest for Theft by Check in Lubbock, Texas with an unknown disposition.

The applicant failed to disclose any arrest or convictions on her application for licensure, answering "No" to question 14 on the license application which asked if she had ever been arrested; "No" to questions 15 which asked if she had ever been convicted or found guilty of any offense; and "No" to question 6 on the certification/authorization form for a criminal history background check which asked whether she had ever been arrested and/or convicted.

When contacted by the Board with the results of the criminal history background check, the applicant provided information and documentation indicating that she had issued a bad check in 2000. Years later, the applicant was stopped for a traffic violation and arrested and detained based upon a warrant that had been issued regarding the bad check charge. The applicant pled guilty to a "class C charge." The applicant maintained that her arrest record has been clean for over 10 years and she checked "no" to all the answers because she had undergone other background checks and nothing had surfaced.

The applicant acknowledges the arrest and conviction. The Board finds that the applicant misrepresented her criminal

history on the application which constitutes a violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

The Board having reviewed this matter, and having considered the nature and timing of the above conduct, and the parties desiring to resolve this matter, and the Board having determined that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public, in lieu of further proceedings, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS on this 14th day of January, ~~2015~~ 2014

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

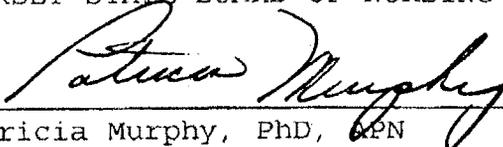
1. Candra Jackson-Zimmerman's application for licensure as a Licensed Practical Nurse shall be granted upon proof of successful completion of the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN).

2. A civil penalty in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500) is hereby imposed upon the applicant for failing to disclose her arrest and conviction on her application and certification/authorization for a criminal history background check. Payment shall be made by certified check, bank cashier check, or money order payable to "State of New Jersey," or by wire transfer, direct deposit, or credit card payment submitted contemporaneously with this signed Order. Any other form of payment will be rejected and will be returned to the party making

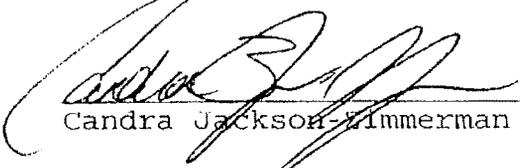
the payment.

3. The applicant shall obey all the laws of the State of New Jersey, the United States and their political subdivisions, as well as all regulations, rules or laws pertaining to the practice of nursing in any State or jurisdiction in which she practices nursing.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By: 
Patricia Murphy, PhD, RN
Board President

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms.


Candra Jackson-Zimmerman