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

IN THE MATTER OF THE
LICENSE OF

Administrative Action

MARIE VENETTE, L.P.N.
LICENSE #NP 05752700

CONSENT ORDER OF
REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE

TO PRACTICE AS A
LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of respondent Marie Venette's petition for reinstatement of her nursing license following a three year suspension imposed pursuant to a consent order

entered on May 5, 2014. One year of the suspension was to be actively served, with the remaining two years to be served as a period of probation provided that respondent complied with the terms and conditions of the order. A \$7500 civil penalty was also imposed.

The basis for the Board's action was that respondent engaged in the use or employment of dishonesty or misrepresentation by acquiring a registered nursing (R.N.) license without appropriately fulfilling the requirements of obtaining such a license. Respondent paid \$15,000 to an online school, Abundance Wisdom University (AW University), to obtain a North Carolina R.N. license. Once the license had issued, it was determined that the process for obtaining it had been fraudulent. North Carolina issued an Order of Summary Suspension, but then withdrew that order and filed an Order to Deny Issuance of a License based on the fact that respondent had not met the minimum requirements for licensure as an R.N.

Respondent maintained that she was defrauded by the owner of AW University and that her signature was forged on licensing documentation submitted to North Carolina.

The New Jersey Board found, in the May 5, 2014 consent order, that respondent knew or should have known that the process proposed and executed by AW University for her to obtain her R.N. license was deficient. The Board accordingly found that

respondent had engaged in violations of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(a) and (b) by obtaining a license through deception or misrepresentation and by engaging in the use or employment of dishonesty or misrepresentation. The Board further found that respondent's conduct constituted the engagement in an act of professional misconduct pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).

Respondent having served the year of active suspension imposed pursuant to the May 5, 2014 consent order, and having provided payment of \$625 towards the \$7500 penalty imposed under the consent order, pursuant to the terms of the consent order, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS, ON THIS *28th* DAY OF *July*, 2015
HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Respondent's nursing license is hereby reinstated upon submission, review and approval of any requisite forms, payment of any required fees, and documentation of any required continuing education, if applicable and not already submitted.

2. Respondent shall commence a two year period of stayed suspension, to be served as a period of probation. The two year period of stayed suspension shall be deemed to have commenced on May 6, 2015.

3. Respondent shall continue payment of the civil penalty of \$7500 imposed by the 2014 consent order in monthly installments of \$625 each. Payment shall be due on or before the

first day of the first month following the filing of this order, with each subsequent payment due on the first day of each of the following months. All monthly payments shall be made by certified check or money order made payable to **Treasurer, State of New Jersey**, and forwarded to the attention of Leslie Burgos-Bonilla, Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, NJ 07101.

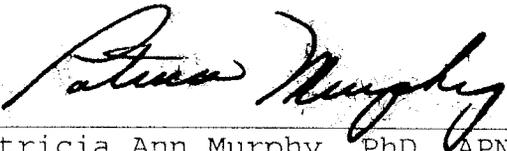
4. In the event respondent is not timely on payment required by this order, she shall be considered in default and a Certificate of Debt reflecting the amount currently due and owing shall be filed with the New Jersey Superior Court.

5. In the event respondent defaults on the payment terms of this order, she specifically acknowledges that: **A.** Following notice by certified and regular mail to respondent's address on file with the Board, she shall have five (5) business days to cure the deficiency by immediately making all overdue payments to the Board; **B.** Failure to cure the default within the specified time shall result in the default of respondent's obligations under this order without further notice or opportunity to be heard; **C.** Upon default of any and all amounts then due and owing under this order, payment of all remaining penalties shall immediately be due in full; **D.** The Board may immediately issue a summary order of suspension of respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of New Jersey. The

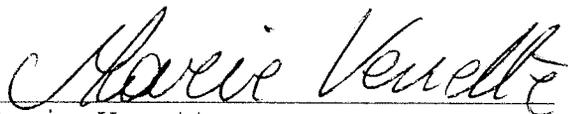
summary suspension order may issue following a certification from the Board's Executive Director of respondent's default and failure to cure, without further notice to respondent or opportunity to be heard; and E. Following the issuance of a summary suspension order, any application by respondent to lift the suspension shall not be considered unless and until all monetary penalties due under this order have been paid in full.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:


Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD, APN, C
Board President

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


Marie Venette