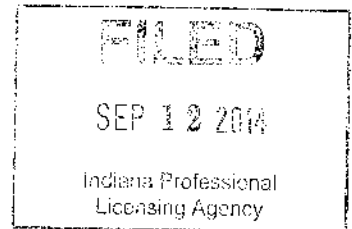


BEFORE THE INDIANA STATE  
BOARD OF NURSING  
CAUSE NUMBER: 2014 NB 221

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE APPLICATION OF: )  
TAMARA SHORT )



**DECISION ON APPLICATION FOR LICENSE**

The Indiana State Board of Nursing (“Board”) requested that Tamara Short (“Short”) personally appear before the Board at its meeting on August 21, 2014, in the Auditorium of the Indiana Government Center South, 302 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana for the purpose of providing information and answering questions concerning her application for a license to practice as a nurse.

The Applicant appeared in person.

The Board, after conducting the personal appearance, considering the information presented by the Applicant and reviewing its file in this matter, by a vote of 6 to 0 issues the following decision.

**FACTS**

1. The Applicant, who resides at 9835 East 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46229, submitted an application to the Board for a license as a nurse.
2. During the application process she revealed that she has been arrested on numerous occasions for driving on a suspended license. Her last arrest was in September 2013 and she will not be able to get a valid driver’s license until 2015.
3. In 2008 she was arrested for child neglect because she left her children in the car. Those charges were dismissed.

4. In 2001 she was arrested for disorderly conduct when she disobeyed a police officer. Those charges were dismissed.

5. In 2000 she was arrested for conversion. Those charges were dismissed.

3. Short graduated from nursing school in July 2014 but has yet to take the qualifying exam.

4. The Applicant has demonstrated to the Board that she is able to practice competently and safely if she complies with the probationary terms set out below.

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Based upon the foregoing, the Board will issue the license of the Applicant pursuant to Ind. Code § 25-1-9-16(a)(1) as follows:

1. The Applicant's license as a nurse will be issued on **INDEFINITE PROBATION** after she passes the qualifying examination. The Applicant may petition to have the probationary order withdrawn after one year of active nursing practice.

2. The Applicant's practice as a nurse shall be governed by the following **TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

a) The Applicant must keep the Board apprised of the following information in writing and update it as necessary:

1. The Applicant's current home address, mailing address, e-mail address and residential telephone number.
2. The Applicant's place of employment, employment telephone number, employment e-mail address and name of supervisor.

b) The Applicant shall provide a copy of all Board orders, including this one, imposing discipline or limiting practice to any nursing employer who shall sign and

return a copy of such orders to the Board within ten (10) days of employment or receipt of the Order.

c) The Applicant shall cause her nursing employer to submit quarterly reports to the Board indicating her professional competence, sense of responsibility, work habits, mental attitude and ability to work with others. If the Applicant is unemployed as a nurse, she must submit quarterly reports to the Board on her personal circumstances.

d) The Applicant shall comply with all statutes and rules regulating the practice of nursing and report any future arrests to the Board.

e) The Applicant must have a valid driver's license before she may apply to have the probation withdrawn from her nursing license.

3. The failure of the Applicant to comply with the terms of this decision may subject her to a show cause hearing and the imposition of further sanctions, including emergency suspension of her license.

SO ORDERED, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

INDIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By: Herbert W Rhoad

Nicholas W. Rhoad

Executive Director

Indiana Professional Licensing Agency

for

**NOTICE OF RIGHT TO PETITION FOR REVIEW OF THIS DECISION**

You may petition for review of this decision under Ind. Code § 4-21.5-3-7. The petition must be filed with the Indiana State Board of Nursing in writing, identifying the reasons for review and demonstrating that you have been aggrieved or adversely affected by the Board's decision. The petition for review must be filed no later than eighteen days from the issuance of this decision unless such date is a Saturday, a Sunday, a legal holiday under state statute or a day the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency's offices are closed during regular business hours in which case the deadline would be the first day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, a legal holiday under state statute or a day the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency's offices are closed during regular business hours.

If your petition for review is timely filed and review granted, you will receive notification of an administrative hearing. You or your representative must be present at that hearing. You have the right to be represented by an attorney at your own expense. A deputy attorney general may be present to represent the state of Indiana. As petitioner, you will have the burden of proving that the Board's decision is incorrect.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of the "Decision on Application for License" has been duly served upon:

Tamara Short  
9835 East 24<sup>th</sup> Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46229  
**Service by U.S. Mail**

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Date

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