#### BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson #1051 Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230

IN THE MATTER OF James Michael Taylor

License No. 23-46460-101 Case No. 15-1691-3 EFFECTIVE AS A FINAL ORDER

DATE: 17-7-2016

#### SUMMARY ORDER

The above matter comes before the Kansas State Board of Nursing (Board) pursuant to authority granted to the Board by K.S.A. 65-1120. The Board hereby proposes to find facts and take disciplinary action against the nurse license of James Taylor, (Licensee) by way of Summary Order as provided by K.S.A. 77-537.

- 1. a. Licensee is licensed to practice nursing in the state of Kansas. The Board has jurisdiction over the Licensee and the subject matter of this action.
  - b. Licensee's address of record is 904 Osborne Street, Downs KS 67437.
- 2. The role of the Kansas State Board of Nursing is to protect citizens of Kansas.
- 3. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1120(a), the Kansas State Board of Nursing may deny, revoke, limit or suspend any license, certificate of qualification or authorization to practice nursing as a registered professional nurse, as a licensed practical nurse, as an advanced registered nurse practitioner or as a registered nurse anesthetist that is issued by the board or applied for under this act or may publicly or privately censure a licensee or holder of a certificate of qualification or authorization, if the applicant, licensee or holder of a certificate of qualification or authorization is found to have violated the Nurse Practice Act. Pursuant to K.S.A. 74-1110 the Kansas State Board of Nursing may also assess a civil fine not to exceed \$1,000.00 for the first violation of a law or rule and regulation applicable to the practice for which such person has been granted a license.
- 4. After an investigation, the Board's investigative committee found reasonable grounds to believe that the Applicant violated the Kansas Nurse Practice Act, K.S.A. 65-1120, and referred this matter for further proceedings.
- 5. K.S.A. 77-511(a)(2)(A) of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act authorizes the use of summary proceedings by a state agency if the use of summary proceedings does not violate any provision of law, the protection of the public interest does not require the state agency to give notice and an opportunity to participate to persons other than the parties, and the state agency believes in good faith, after investigation of the facts, that the allegations will be supported to the applicable standard of proof.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

6. On or about September 10, 2015, while licensee was employed at Hilltop Lodge Retirement Center, the licensee directed a CNA to pass medication to a resident, and licensee

documented that he, the licensee, had administered the medication, both of which were contrary to the policies of the employer and good nursing practice.

#### STATEMENT OF VIOLATIONS

- 7. The above fact findings establish evidence that the Licensee violated the following provisions of the Kansas Nurse Practice Act:
  - Count 1: K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(1), to be guilty of fraud or deceit in practicing nursing.
  - Count 2: K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6) and K.A.R. 60-3-110, to be guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and regulations of the board; to wit: inaccurately recording, falsifying, or altering any record of a patient or agency.
  - Count 3: K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6) and K.A.R. 60-3-110, to be guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and regulations of the board; to wit: failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard each patient.
  - Count 4: K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6) and K.A.R. 60-3-110, to be guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and regulations of the board; to wit: delegating any activity that requires the unique skill and substantial specialized knowledge derived from the biological, physical, and behavioral sciences and judgment of the nurse to an unlicensed individual in violation of the Kansas Nurse Practice Act or to the detriment of patient safety.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING THAT

- 1. Licensee's license is suspended for one month.
- 2. Following the one month suspension the licensee shall not practice unsupervised for twelve. Supervised practice requires that a supervising nurse be on site and able to spot check the licensee's work.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537, this decision, which is called a Summary Order, is subject to your request for a hearing. If you desire a hearing, you must submit or direct a <u>written</u> request for hearing to: Kansas State Board of Nursing, Legal Division, 900 SW Jackson, Suite 1051, Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230, (785) 296-4325. THIS REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER. If a hearing is not requested in the time and manner stated, this Summary Order becomes effective as a final order, without further notice, upon the expiration of the time for requesting a hearing. If a hearing is requested, the prior issuance of a summary order shall not affect the burden of proof. Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-531, if the Summary Order is served by mail, three days are added to the time limits set out above.

Judith Hiner, RN, BSN
Investigative Committee, Chair
Kansas State Board of Nursing

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, the foregoing copy of the Summary Order was served by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed to the following:

James Taylor 904 Osborne Street

**Downs KS 67437** 

Bryce D. Benedict, S. Ct. No. 11663

**Assistant Attorney General** 

## FINAL ORDER NOTICE OF RIGHTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that this is a Final Order. A Final Order is effective upon service. A party to an agency proceeding may seek judicial review of a Final Order by filing a petition in the District Court as authorized by K.S.A. 77-601, *et seq.* A petition must be filed within 30 days following service of the Final Order. A copy of any petition for judicial review must be served upon Mary Blubaugh, Executive Administrator, Kansas State Board of Nursing, 900 SW Jackson, Suite 1051, Topeka KS 66612.

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I certify that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 2016, a copy of the Final Order and Final Order Notice of Rights was served by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed to the following:

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