

**BEFORE THE OREGON
STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

In the Matter of) **STIPULATED ORDER FOR**
Cassandra Dean, RN) **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER**
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License No. 200841615RN) **Reference No. 15-00584**

The Oregon State Board of Nursing (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining certain health care providers, including Registered Nurses. Cassandra Dean (Licensee) was issued a Registered Nurse License by the Board on July 14, 2008.

On or about October 21, 2014, the Board received information that Licensee may have health issues that could interfere with her ability to safely practice as a nurse.

By the above actions, Licensee is subject to discipline pursuant to ORS 678.111(1)(e)(f) and OAR 851-045-0070(5)(b):

ORS 678.111 Causes for denial, revocation or suspension of license or probation, reprimand or censure of licensee. In the manner prescribed in ORS chapter 183 for a contested case:

(1) Issuance of the license to practice nursing, whether by examination or by indorsement, of any person may be refused or the license may be revoked or suspended or the licensee may be placed on probation for a period specified by the Oregon State Board of Nursing and subject to such condition as the board may impose or may be issued a limited license or may be reprimanded or censured by the board, for any of the following causes:

- (e) Impairment as defined in ORS 676.303.
- (f) Conduct derogatory to the standards of nursing.

OAR 851-045-0070 Conduct Derogatory to the Standards of Nursing Defined

Nurses, regardless of role, whose behavior fails to conform to the legal standard and accepted standards of the nursing profession, or who may adversely affect the health, safety, and welfare of the public, may be found guilty of conduct derogatory to the standards of nursing. Such conduct shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

(5) Conduct related to impaired function:

(b) Practicing nursing when unable/unfit to perform procedures and/or make decisions due to psychological or mental impairment as evidenced by documented deterioration of functioning in the practice setting and/or by the assessment of a health care provider qualified to diagnose mental condition/status.

Licensee wishes to cooperate with the Board in this matter and voluntarily surrender her Registered Nurse license.

Therefore, the following will be proposed to the Oregon State Board of Nursing and is agreed to by Licensee:

That the voluntary surrender of the Registered Nurse license of Cassandra Dean be accepted. If, after a minimum of three years, Ms. Dean wishes to reinstate her Registered Nurse license, she may submit an application to the Board to request reinstatement.

Licensee agrees that she will not practice as a Registered Nurse from the date she signs this Order.

Licensee understands that this Order will be submitted to the Board of Nursing for its approval and is subject to the Board's confirmation.

Licensee understands that by signing this Stipulated Order, she waives the right to an administrative hearing under ORS 183.310 to 183.540, and to any judicial review or appeal thereof. Licensee acknowledges that no promises, representations, duress or coercion have been used to induce her to sign this Order.

Licensee understands that this Order is a document of public record.

Licensee has read this Stipulated Order, understands this Order completely, and freely signs this Stipulated Order for Voluntary Surrender.

Cassandra Dean, RN

Date

ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED:

BOARD OF NURSING FOR THE STATE OF OREGON

Gary Hickmann, RN
Board President

Date