

**BEFORE THE OREGON  
STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

**In the Matter of** ) **FINAL ORDER BY DEFAULT**  
**Sante Van Meter, CNA** ) **OF DENIAL OF CERTIFICATION**  
 ) **AS A NURSING ASSISTANT**  
 )  
**Certificate No. 200911999CNA** ) **Reference No. 15-01827**

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The Oregon State Board of Nursing (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating, and disciplining certain health care providers, including Certified Nursing Assistants. Sante Van Meter (Certificate Holder) was issued a Nursing Assistant certificate by the Board on July 24, 2009. Her certification as a nursing assistant expired on May 23, 2015.

The Board considered this matter at its meeting on June 15, 2016.

On March 29, 2016, a Notice stating that the Board intended to deny the application for certification as a nursing assistant was sent to Certificate Holder via certified and first-class mail to Certificate Holder's address of record. The Notice alleged Certificate Holder engaged in conduct unbecoming a Nursing Assistant.

The Notice granted Certificate Holder an opportunity for hearing if requested within sixty (60) days of the mailing of the Notice. No such request for hearing has been received by the Board. The Notice designated the Board's file on this matter as the record for purposes of default.

NOW THEREFORE, after consideration of its records and files related to this matter, the Board enters the following Order:

**-I-  
FINDINGS OF FACT**

Based on the evidence submitted through the Notice and the agency file in this case, the Board finds the following:

1. On or about May 28, 2015, Certificate Holder applied for renewal of her certification as a nursing assistant. On that application, Certificate Holder disclosed her arrest history. The Board opened an investigation into the matter.
2. On multiple occasions during the Board's investigation Certificate Holder was asked to provide additional records to the Board regarding her arrest. Certificate Holder was given a final deadline of December 31, 2015 to submit all requested documents to the Board. Certificate Holder did not provide any records to the Board and has failed to cooperate with the Board's investigation.
3. On March 23, 2016, the Board reviewed the facts of the case against Certificate Holder and

voted to issue a Notice of Proposed Denial of Nursing Assistant Certification.

4. On March 29, 2016, Board staff mailed a Notice of Proposed Denial of Nursing Assistant Certification to Certificate Holder via first-class and certified mail. The Notice granted Certificate Holder sixty (60) days from the date of the mailing of the Notice to request a hearing. The Notice also designated that the agency file would be the record for purposes of default.

**-II-**  
**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. That the Board has jurisdiction over Certificate Holder, Sante Van Meter, and over the subject matter of this proceeding.
2. That Certificate Holder's conduct is in violation of ORS 678.442 (2)(f) and OAR 8510-63-0080 (6) and OAR 851-063-0090 (1)(a) and 10(a) and (c).
3. That Certificate Holder defaulted on the Notice by not requesting a hearing within the allotted sixty (60) days and, as a result, pursuant to ORS 183.417(3), the Board may enter a Final Order by Default.

**-III-**  
**ORDER**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and the Board being fully advised in the premises, it is hereby:

**ORDERED** that the Application for Certification as Nursing Assistant of Sante Van Meter is **denied**.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2016

FOR THE OREGON STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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Bonnie Kostelecky, MS, MPA, RN  
Board President