

**BEFORE THE OREGON
STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

**In the Matter of
Patrick Smith, CNA**

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) **FINAL ORDER OF REVOCATION**
) **BY DEFAULT**
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)
) **Reference No. 14-00704**

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. Patrick Smith (Certificate Holder) was issued a nursing assistant certificate by the Board on March 09, 2009.

This matter was considered by the Board at its meeting on April 23, 2014.

On February 20, 2014, a Notice stating that the Board intended to revoke the Nursing Assistant Certificate of Patrick Smith was sent to him via certified and first-class mail to his address of record. The Notice alleged that Certificate Holder stole money from two residents, where Certificate Holder was employed.

The Notice granted Certificate Holder an opportunity for hearing if requested within twenty (20) 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:

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FINDINGS OF FACT

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

1. Certificate Holder was issued a Nursing Assistant Certificate in the state of Oregon on January 13, 2014.
2. On or about November 14, 2013, Certificate Holder was reported to the Board for stealing checks from his place of employment. The Board opened an investigation into the matter.
3. On November 14, 2013, Board staff mailed a letter to Certificate Holder's address of

record requesting that he schedule an interview to discuss the allegations. Certificate Holder was further instructed to send a written statement regarding the allegations and a current work history. Certificate Holder failed to schedule an interview and did not provide any documents to the Board.

4. On January 07, 2014, a second letter was sent to Certificate Holder's address of record, requesting that he contact the Board within five (5) business days to schedule an interview to discuss the allegations. Certificate Holder was also asked to provide a current work history and a written statement regarding the allegations. Certificate Holder failed to schedule an interview and did not provide any documents to the Board.
5. On January 13, 2014, Board staff mailed a Notice of Proposed Suspension to Certificate Holder via first-class and certified mail. The Notice granted Certificate Holder twenty (20) 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.
6. Certificate Holder failed to respond to the Notice of Proposed Suspension within the required twenty (20) days. Consequently, Certificate Holder's opportunity to request a hearing has expired and he is in default. Certificate Holder was consequently suspended.
7. On February 20, 2014, Board staff mailed a Notice of Proposed Revocation to Certificate Holder via first-class and certified mail. The Notice granted Certificate Holder twenty (20) days from the date of mailing of the Notice to request a hearing. The Notice also designated that the agency file would be the record for purposes of default.
8. Certificate Holder failed to respond to the Notice of Proposed Revocation within the required twenty (20) days. Consequently, Certificate Holder's opportunity to request a hearing has expired and he is in default.

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. That the Board has jurisdiction over the Certificate Holder, Patrick Smith, and over the subject matter of this proceeding.
2. That Certificate Holder's conduct is in violation of ORS 678.442(2) (f); OAR 851-063-0080(6); OAR 851-063-0090 (2) Conduct related to other federal or state statutes/rule violations: (g) Using the client relationship to exploit the client by gaining property or other items of value from the client either for personal gain or sale, beyond the compensation for services.

3. That Certificate Holder defaulted on the Notice by not requesting a hearing within the allotted twenty (20) days and, as a result, pursuant to ORS 183.417(3), the Board may enter a Final Order by Default.

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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 Nursing Assistant Certificate of Patrick Smith is REVOKED.

DATED this ____ day of March, 2014

FOR THE BOARD OF NURSING OF THE STATE OF OREGON

Kay Carnegie, RN, MS
Board President

TO: PATRICK SMITH:

You may file a petition for reconsideration or rehearing of this Order. Reconsideration or rehearing may be obtained by filing a petition with the Board of Nursing within (sixty) 60 days from the service of this Order. Your petition shall set forth the specific grounds for reconsideration. Reconsideration or rehearing is pursuant to the provisions in ORS 183.482.

As an alternative to filing a Petition for Reconsideration of this Order, you are entitled to judicial review of this Order. Judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition with the Oregon Court of Appeals for review within sixty (60) days from the date of service of this Order. Judicial review is pursuant to the provisions of ORS 183.482.

If, after a minimum of three (3) years, you wish to reinstate your Nursing Assistant Certificate, you may submit an application to the Board to request reinstatement.