

**NORTH CAROLINA RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD****1100 Navaho Drive, Suite 242
Raleigh, NC 27609****CONSENT ORDER**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
AMY B. THOMAS
RESPIRATORY CARE LICENSE #3793**

WHEREAS the North Carolina Respiratory Care Board (the "Board") is charged with the administration of The Respiratory Care Practice Act, codified in the North Carolina General Statutes at G.S. 90-846 et. seq. (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS on or about August 9, 2004, the Board issued a license to practice respiratory care to Ms. Amy B. Thomas ("Licensee"), license number 3793; and

WHEREAS the Board received a complaint on January 3, 2008 from Valley Nursing Center, alleging that the Licensee had exhibited unprofessional conduct related to the delivery of respiratory care by sleeping on the job for approximately 3 hours when the Licensee should have been providing care to her patients; and

WHEREAS the Board conducted an investigation pursuant to G.S. 90-852 (5) into the activities of the Licensee to determine if she has violated, is violating, or is about to violate any provisions of the Act; and

WHEREAS on April 9, 2008, the Investigation and Informal Settlement Committee of the Board, acting pursuant to 21 NCAC 81.0203, conducted an interview of the Licensee to determine the qualifications of the Licensee; and

WHEREAS the Board met on April 10, 2008 and determined to issue a Consent Order to the Licensee; and

WHEREAS the Licensee agrees to the entry of this Consent Order, and voluntarily agrees to waive any rights to a hearing upon entry of this Consent Order, and waives the right to seek judicial review or otherwise challenge or contest the validity of this Consent Order;

AND WHEREAS upon the entry of this Consent Order, this matter will be resolved with the express understanding that the Licensee will comply with all of the terms contained herein.

CONSENT TO ISSUANCE OF ORDER BY LICENSEE

I, Amy B. Thomas, state that I have read the foregoing Consent Order; and that I know and fully understand its contents. I understand and agree that it is being entered to allow me to continue to be licensed by the Board to practice respiratory care, while fulfilling the Board's responsibility to regulate the practice of respiratory care. I consent to the entry of this Consent Order and agree freely and without threat or coercion of any kind to comply with the terms and conditions stated herein, as a condition of maintaining my license from the North Carolina Respiratory Care Board.

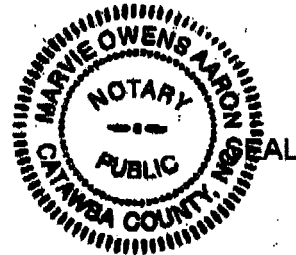
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF Catawba)

There personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the County of _____, State of North Carolina, Amy B. Thomas, who after having presented documentation of her identity that was satisfactory to me did acknowledge that she executed the foregoing Consent Order as her free and voluntary act.

This 28th day of April, 2008

Marvie Owens Aaron
Notary Public



My Commission Expires: 12-08-2012

ENTRY OF CONSENT ORDER ON BEHALF OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD:

Based on the agreement of the Licensee and the authority previously conveyed by resolution of the Board, the foregoing Consent Order is entered at Raleigh, North Carolina

This 5th day of May, 2008

Floyd E. Boyer
Floyd E. Boyer, RRT, RCP
Executive Director

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Licensee consents to being licensed to practice respiratory care on Probationary Status for a period of 24 months from the date of signature of this Consent Order.

Licensee shall, after securing employment in respiratory care, cause her immediate Respiratory Care supervisor to submit written quarterly reports to the Board. Each such written report shall document the Licensee's performance in the delivery of Respiratory Care, and detail any concerns of the supervisor about the Licensee's practice of Respiratory Care.

Licensee agrees to complete a continuing education course recommended by the Board on Medical Ethics. The course must be completed within 90 days from the date of signature of this Consent Order. A copy of the course completion certificate must be forwarded to the Board.

Licensee agrees to pay to the Board before her next renewal date, August 9, 2008, the sum of \$250.00 for Civil Penalties which are authorized by G.S. 90-666(a) and 21 NCAC 61.0309 (d)(1) and the sum of \$500.00 to pay the cost of disciplinary action as authorized by G.S. 90-666(d).

Licensee shall continue to comply with the Act, the Board's Rules, and the Board's published interpretation of those rules.

Entry of this Consent Order is without prejudice to the right of the Board to take any administrative or judicial action against Licensee to enforce this Consent Order if the Board determines that the Licensee is not fully complying with any term or condition stated herein.

This Consent Order shall become final when accepted by the Licensee and entered by the Board based on execution of the Consent Order by its Executive Director.

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