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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE  
CASE NO. PA-48

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IN RE: THE LICENSE TO PRACTICE AS A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY HELD BY ASHLEY NORVELL, P.A.-C., LICENSE NO. PA264, 170 SUMMERHILL DRIVE, CORBIN, KENTUCKY 40701

**AGREED ORDER**

Come now the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure ("the Board") and Ashley Norvell, PA-C, ("the licensee"), and, based upon their mutual desire to re-register the licensee's license to practice as a physician assistant in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, hereby ENTER INTO the following **AGREED ORDER**:

**STIPULATIONS OF FACT**

The parties stipulate the following facts, which serve as the factual bases for this Agreed Order:

1. At all relevant times, Ashley Norvell, PA-C ("the licensee") was licensed by the Board to practice as a physician assistant within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
2. In or around 2011, the licensee ceased practicing as a physician assistant and her license to practice in the Commonwealth of Kentucky expired in or around 2013.
3. On or about October 31, 2022, the licensee submitted an Application for Physician Assistant Re-Registration.
4. Since the licensee had not engaged in the active practice of medicine in more than two (2) years, the licensee submitted to a reentry clinical skills evaluation at CPEP in July 2022.
5. CPEP found that the licensee demonstrated overall adequate medical knowledge with a few areas in need of improvement; the licensee's clinical judgment and

reasoning were very good with a few exceptions and her approach to clinical cases was logical: the licensee's documentation abilities were adequate: and the licensee demonstrated adequate communication skills with patients and professional communication skills with peers.

6. CPEP opined that the licensee is safe to resume practice in a setting that incorporates structure, support, oversight and accountability while remediating educational needs through execution of an Education Plan.

#### STIPULATED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The parties stipulate the following Conclusions of Law, which serve as the legal bases for this Agreed Order:

1. By submitting an Application for Physician Assistant Re-Registration to the Board, the applicant's license is subject to regulation and discipline by the Board.
2. KRS 311.850 provides that the Board may deny licensure to an applicant upon a finding that the applicant has violated any provision of KRS 311.850 or is otherwise unfit to practice.
3. Based upon the Stipulations of Fact, there are grounds to deny the applicant a license pursuant to the provisions of KRS 311.850(1)(g). Accordingly, there are legal grounds for the parties to enter into this Agreed Order.
4. Pursuant to KRS 311.591(6) and 201 KAR 9:082, and in lieu of denial of application, the parties enter into an informal resolution such as this Agreed Order.

#### AGREED ORDER

Based upon the foregoing Stipulations of Fact and Stipulated Conclusions of Law, and as an express condition of the Board approving the applicant's Application for

Physician Assistant Re-Registration in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the parties hereby enter into the following **AGREED ORDER**:

1. The license to practice as a physician assistant in the Commonwealth of Kentucky held by Ashley Norvell, PA-C, is hereby **PLACED ON PROBATION FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS**, with that period of probation to become effective immediately upon the filing of this Agreed Order:
2. During the effective period of this Agreed Order, the licensee's license to practice as a physician assistant **SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS**:
  - a. Within twenty (20) days from the date of entry of this Agreed Order, the licensee **SHALL** take all necessary steps to arrange for CPEP to immediately develop an Education Plan, as recommended in its Reentry to Clinical Practice Program Report (July 2022), at her expense:
  - b. The licensee **SHALL** only practice as a physician assistant in an environment or setting approved by the Board and CPEP until the Education Plan is successfully completed and the Board terminates this Agreed Order:
  - c. Upon receipt of an Education Plan from CPEP, the licensee **SHALL** comply with the Education Plan, at her expense and as directed by CPEP. In addition, if deemed necessary and appropriate by CPEP, the licensee **SHALL** successfully complete a Post-Education Assessment, at her expense and as directed by CPEP:
  - d. The licensee **SHALL** take all necessary steps, including the execution of waivers and/or releases, to ensure that CPEP provides timely written reports to the Board outlining his compliance with the Education Plan:
  - e. The licensee **SHALL** successfully complete the CPEP Education Plan on or before December 15, 2026. The licensee understands and agrees that she may request termination of this Agreed Order after she successfully completes the Education Plan; and
  - f. The licensee **SHALL NOT** violate any provision of KRS 311.840, *et seq.*

3. The licensee expressly agrees that if she should violate any term or condition of this Agreed Order, the licensee's practice will constitute an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, as provided in KRS 311.852 and 13B.125. The parties further agree that if the Board should receive information that she has violated any term or condition of this Agreed Order, the Panel Chair is authorized by law to enter an Emergency Order of Suspension or Restriction immediately upon a finding of probable cause that a violation has occurred, after an *ex parte* presentation of the relevant facts by the Board's General Counsel or Assistant General Counsel. If the Panel Chair should issue such an Emergency Order, the parties agree and stipulate that a violation of any term or condition of this Agreed Order would render the licensee's practice an immediate danger to the health, welfare and safety of patients and the general public, pursuant to KRS 311.852 and 13B.125; accordingly, the only relevant question for any emergency hearing conducted pursuant to KRS 13B.125 would be whether the licensee violated a term or condition of this Agreed Order.
4. The licensee understands and agrees that any violation of the terms of this Agreed Order would provide a legal basis for additional disciplinary action, pursuant to KRS 311.850(1)(q), and may provide a legal basis for criminal prosecution.

SO AGREED on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2022.

FOR THE LICENSEE:

  
ASHLEY NORVELL, PA-C

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COUNSEL FOR THE APPLICANT  
(IF APPLICABLE)

FOR THE BOARD:



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WILLIAM C. THORNBURY, JR., M.D.  
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