BEFORE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

IN THE MATTER OF JENNIFER CLARK, PTA 2832

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

A hearing on the above-referenced matter was held before the Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy ("the Board") on March 3, 2011, at 9 Shackleford Plaza, Little Rock, Arkansas. Ms. Jennifer Clark, PTA 2832, hereinafter referred to as "Respondent," appeared before the Board. On the basis of the testimony and other evidence presented, the Board made the following findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is a licensed physical therapist assistant in the State of Arkansas.
- 2. Respondent was employed at all relevant times by Southeast Rehab Hospital until termination on August 17, 2010.
- 3. On August 25, 2010, a letter of complaint was received from Stacy Noble, administrator at Southeast Rehab Hospital, stating Respondent was terminated after a complaint was received from a home health patient that the Respondent asked for and took prescription pain medication from the patient.
- 4. Respondent provided treatment to Clifton Sadler. Respondent asked Mr. Sadler's sitter, Darlene Blackmon, for pain medication.
- 5. Respondent was arrested and convicted of a DUI for a positive drug screen on August 13, 2010.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Based upon the above findings of fact, the Respondent is guilty of violating Ark.

Code Ann. §17-93-308(a)(3).

ORDER

1. It is therefore ordered that the Respondent's license be suspended until the following is received:

a) A current negative drug screen by a Board approved testing agency.

b) A statement from Respondent if she is not currently taking prescription medications or a letter from Respondent's physician if she currently has prescriptions for medication. The letter must include a list of all prescriptions.

2. Once removed from suspension, Respondent's license will be placed on probation for two years and she may only practice in settings with onsite supervision.

3. Respondent will complete a board approved ethics and boundaries intervention program within one year.

4. Respondent will submit to random drug testing for two years with a board approved testing agency.

5. Any infraction of state laws, regulations or a positive drug screen will result in revocation of Respondent's license.

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 25-15-212, Respondent may petition for judicial review of this decision by filing a petition in the Circuit Court in the county in which she resides or in the Circuit Court of Pulaski County within thirty days after service of this Order.

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Nancy Worther

Executive Director

3-18-11 Date