

STATE OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF NURSING

By: Quinn Morris
Deputy Agency Clerk

MANUEL FERNANDEZ,

Petitioner,

vs.

DOAH Case No.: 21-0384

BOARD OF NURSING,

Respondent.

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FINAL ORDER

THIS CAUSE came before the Board of Nursing pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, on August 5, 2021, in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, for the purpose of considering the Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, in the above-styled cause. Petitioner was not present and was not represented by counsel. Respondent was represented by Deborah B. Loucks, Esquire.

Upon review of the Recommended Order the argument of the parties, and after a review of the complete record in this case, the Board makes the following findings and conclusions.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The findings of fact set forth in the Recommended Order are approved and adopted and incorporated herein by reference.
2. There is competent substantial evidence to support the findings of fact.

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to Section 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, and Chapter 464, Florida Statutes.
2. The conclusions of law set forth in the Recommended Order are approved and adopted and incorporated herein by reference.

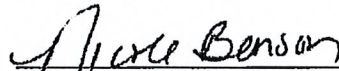
DISPOSITION

Upon a complete review of the record in this case, the Board determines that the disposition recommended by the Administrative Law Judge be ACCEPTED.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Manuel Fernandez's application for licensure as a registered nurse is DENIED.

DONE AND ORDERED this 12th day of August, 2021.

BOARD OF NURSING



Joe R. Baker, Jr.

Executive Director

for Deborah McKeen, BS, CD-LPN

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

A PARTY WHO IS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THIS FINAL ORDER IS ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW PURSUANT TO SECTION 120.68, FLORIDA STATUTES. REVIEW PROCEEDINGS ARE GOVERNED BY THE FLORIDA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE. SUCH PROCEEDINGS ARE COMMENCED BY FILING ONE COPY OF A NOTICE OF APPEAL WITH THE AGENCY CLERK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND A SECOND COPY, ACCOMPANIED BY FILING FEES PRESCRIBED BY LAW, WITH THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST DISTRICT, OR WITH THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL IN THE APPELLATE DISTRICT WHERE THE PARTY RESIDES. THE NOTICE OF APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF RENDITION OF THE ORDER TO BE REVIEWED.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Final Order has been provided by certified ^{mail} and U.S. Mail to **Petitioner, Manuel Fernandez, c/o Lawrence E. Besser, Esq., Samek and Besser, P.A., 1200 Brickell Avenue, Miami, Florida 33131, The Honorable Elizabeth W. McArthur, Administrative Law Judge, Division of Administrative Hearings, The DeSoto Building, 1230 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3060;** to **Deborah Loucks, Esq.,** by email at Deborah.Loucks@myfloridalegal.com; and to **Louise St. Laurent, Esq.,** Office of General Counsel, Department of Health, by email at Louise.StLaurent@flhealth.gov.

THIS 12th day of August, 2021.


DEPUTY AGENCY CLERK



TO: Jennifer Wenhold, Acting Director
Division of MQA

FROM: Joe Baker, Jr., Executive Director
FBON

DATE: August 3, 2021

RE: Delegation of Authority

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The following managers are delegated authority for the Board office:

8/4-8/6	Sandi Williams	Regulatory Supervisor
8/9-25	Nicole Benson	Program Ops Administrator

Thank you.

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