



OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION
2018-56A

Kim Glazier, Executive Director
Oklahoma Board of Nursing
2915 N. Classen Blvd., Ste. 524
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106

February 23, 2018

Dear Executive Director Glazier:

This office has received your request for a written Attorney General Opinion regarding action that the Oklahoma Board of Nursing intends to take in case 10.020.18. The applicant falsified an endorsement application by failing to disclose a misdemeanor. The licensee was offered an agreed order which would have resulted in the application being granted, however the applicant failed to respond to the offer. The Board proposes to deny the application. The applicant may seek review of the denial by requesting a hearing.

The Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act authorizes disciplinary action when a nurse "is guilty of deceit or material misrepresentation in procuring or attempting to procure" a license or is "guilty of unprofessional conduct." 59 O.S.Supp.2017, § 567.8(B)(1)(a), (7). The Board may reasonably believe that the applicant's failure to disclose required information warrants the proposed action.

It is, therefore, the official opinion of the Attorney General that the Oklahoma Board of Nursing has adequate support for the conclusion that this action advances the State's policy to protect public health, safety, and welfare by ensuring that licensure applications are truthful and complete.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA

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