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

June 13, 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 pursuant to a consent agreement in case 3.261.18. Between 1993 and 2005 the applicant was charged with two felonies and several misdemeanors. The applicant falsified an NCLEX-LPN exam application by failing to report three of the charges. The Board proposes to grant the application, but issue a reprimand and require the applicant to complete remedial education courses.

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 “[i]s guilty of a felony, or any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions or duties of any licensee . . . or any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty, or an act of violence, or for any offense involving moral turpitude.” 59 O.S.Supp.2017, § 567.8(B)(1)(a), (2). The Board may reasonably believe that the proposed actions are necessary to deter future violations.

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 nurses meet minimum standards of professional conduct.

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