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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION  
2018-227A

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

June 19, 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 10.034.18. In 2009, the applicant was charged with a misdemeanor. In 2017, the applicant falsified an RN endorsement application by failing to disclose the charge. The Board offered an agreed, non-disciplinary order to the applicant, but the applicant failed to respond to the offer. The Board proposes to deny the application.

The Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act authorizes the Board to impose discipline 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). “Deceit or material misrepresentation” includes any “false representation of facts in connection with an application for licensure.” OAC 485:10-11-1(b)(1)(A). The Board may reasonably believe that the proposed action is 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 that licensure applications are truthful and complete.

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