

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
HEALTH REGULATION AND LICENSING ADMINISTRATION  
BOARD OF NURSING**

**IN RE:** :  
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**IVAN ROBINSON** :  
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**License No. RN1010528** :  
 :  
**Respondent** :

**DECISION AND ORDER**

**Jurisdiction**

This matter comes before the District of Columbia Board of Nursing (Board) pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 3-1201.01 *et seq.* (2021 Repl.), otherwise known as the Health Occupations Revision Act (HORA). Section 204(b)(1) of the HORA authorizes the Board to regulate the practice of registered nursing. D.C. Official Code § 3-1202.04(b)(1). Pursuant to section 408(8), the Board is authorized to conduct hearings necessary to carry out its function. D.C. Official Code § 3-1204.08(8). Further, pursuant to section 4113.1 of Title 17 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR), the Board may authorize a panel of no less than three (3) members of the board to conduct a hearing that is within its jurisdiction. 17 DCMR § 4113.1. Accordingly, the hearing in this matter was duly conducted by a panel of three (3) board members.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The panel was composed of the following members: Meedie Bardonille, RN (presiding); Margaret Green, LPN; and Monica Goletiani, Consumer Member. As the Board’s quorum at the time required four (4) members, this panel did not constitute a quorum of the Board and was authorized only to offer a recommended decision to the Board in accordance with 17 DCMR § 4113.2.

Pursuant to 17 DCMR § 4113.3, the panel submitted its Recommended Decision, dated February 10, 2022, to the Board to reject or approve in whole or in part in accordance with 17 DCMR § 4113.5. Further, in accordance with 17 DCMR § 4113.7, Respondent was served the Recommended Decision and given an opportunity to file an exception.

Respondent submitted his exception to the Recommended Decision arguing that the Recommended Decision relied on findings and evidence from the criminal proceeding which are currently on appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeal for the District of Columbia Circuit. In addition, Respondent asserted that the contested evidence was previously made known to the Board's former executive director and board attorney. For these reasons, Respondent argued that the Recommended Decision should be rejected.

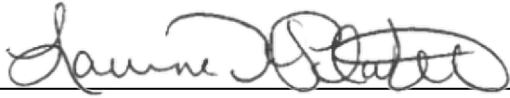
However, the Respondent's argument cannot be sustained. The Board's Notice of Intent to Take Disciplinary Action (NOI) was convicted of distribution of Oxycodone outside the legitimate practice of medicine. The conviction was entered and sentencing issued. Section 514(a)(3) of the HORA, which is the basis of Respondent's charge, provides that the term "convicted" means a judgment or other admission of guilt. Clearly, the judgment of the U.S. District Court provides sufficient basis for the Board's disciplinary action. Certainly, Respondent has the right to appeal the conviction and, if he prevails, pursue any relief he considers appropriate at a later date.

### **ORDER**

Accordingly, the Board hereby **ORDERED** that the Panel's Recommended Decision, dated February 10, 2022, be and is hereby **ADOPTED** in full as a final order of the Board; and

It is hereby **ORDERED** that the registered nursing and nurse practitioner licenses belonging to **IVAN ROBINSON, RN1010528**, be and are hereby **REVOKED**,<sup>2</sup> effective as of the date of service.

April 8, 2022  
Date



Laverne Plater, RN  
Vice Chairperson  
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<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 3-1201.01(12A), “revocation” means termination of the right to practice a health profession and loss of licensure for five (5) years or more.