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The Hon. Joan Carter Conway, Chairman
Senate Education, Health, and
Environmental Affairs Committee
2 West Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Hon. Peter A. Hammen, Chairman
House Health and Government
Operations Committee
241 House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

In Re: Board of Nursing Annual Report
Health Occupations Article, § 8-205 (a)(8),
Annotated Code of Maryland

Dear Senator Conway and Delegate Hammen:

The Board of Nursing submits the following annual report for Fiscal Year 2016, as required by the Health Occupations Article, § 8-205(a)(8).

FISCAL YEAR 2016

Initial and Renewal Licenses and Certificates Issued by the Board

Initial Licenses6,320
Initial Certificates16,667
Renewal Licenses45,185
Renewal Certificates39,808

Criminal History Record Checks

Positive Criminal History Record Check 1,101
Negative History Record Checks13,512

Denial of Licenses and Certificates

Denial for Positive Criminal History Record Check20
Denial for other reasons6

Complaints

Received1,299
Open Complaints at end of FY 20162,268

Most Common Grounds for Complaints

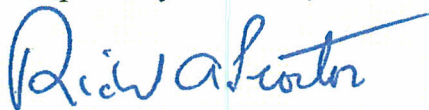
Positive Criminal History Record Check
Standard of care violations
Discipline in another State

Number and types of disciplinary action taken by the Board

Suspensions96
Suspensions for non-payment of child support152
Revocation94
Reprimand71
Probation28
Denial of License or Certificate26
Surrender of license for violations34

End of Report

Respectfully submitted,



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