

1 **BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**
2 **OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**

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5 **In the Matter of Charges and Complaint**

Case No. 24-53896-1

6 **Against:**

FILED

7 **ALLISON AMY BUDZBAN, CRT,**

JUN 27 2024

8 **Respondent.**

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF
MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By: 

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10 **COMPLAINT**

11 The Investigative Committee¹ (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners
12 (Board), by and through Alexander J. Hinman, Deputy General Counsel, and attorney for the IC,
13 having a reasonable basis to believe that Allison Amy Budzban, CRT, (Respondent) violated the
14 provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 630 and Nevada Administrative Code
15 (NAC) Chapter 630 (collectively, the Medical Practice Act), hereby issues its Complaint, stating
16 the IC's charges and allegations as follows:

17 1. Respondent was at all times relative to this Complaint a Respiratory Therapist
18 holding an active license to practice respiratory therapy in the State of Nevada
19 (License No. RC3400). Respondent was originally licensed by the Board on December 31, 2020.

20 2. At all times relative to this Complaint, Respondent was a Certified Respiratory
21 Therapist (CRT).

22 3. In April of 2022, Respondent informed her employer that she was certified as a
23 Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT), when she had not yet received a passing score on the
24 Clinical Setting Examination, which is required to obtain an RRT certification.

25 4. On December 8, 2022, the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) met and
26 conducted a hearing regarding Respondent's inclusion of misinformation in an NBRC credential
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28 ¹ The Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners, at the time this formal
Complaint was authorized for filing, was composed of Board members Bret W. Frey, M.D., Col. Eric D. Wade,
USAF (Ret.), and Carl N. Williams, Jr., M.D., FACS.

1 verification letter, which ultimately led to a two (2) year suspension of Respondent's CRT
2 credential and a two (2) year suspension of eligibility for admission to all NBRC examinations
3 (applied retroactively to April 13, 2022). *See Exhibit 1.*

4 5. Respondent failed to self-report this disciplinary action to the Board within thirty
5 (30) days as required by NRS 630.306(1)(k).

6 **COUNT I**

7 **NRS 630.306(1)(k) - Failure to Report Disciplinary Action**

8 6. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by
9 reference as though fully set forth herein.

10 7. NRS 630.306(1)(k) provides that the failure by a licensee to report in writing,
11 within thirty (30) days, any disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, the
12 Federal Government or a foreign country, including, without limitation, the revocation, suspension
13 or surrender of a license to practice medicine in another jurisdiction is grounds for initiating
14 disciplinary action or denying licensure.

15 8. Respondent did not report to the Board in writing within thirty (30) days the
16 disciplinary action taken by The National Board of Respiratory Care.

17 9. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as
18 provided in NRS 630.306.

19 **WHEREFORE**, the Investigative Committee prays:

20 1. That the Board give Respondent notice of the charges herein against her and give
21 her notice that she may file an answer to the Complaint herein as set forth in
22 NRS 630.339(2) within twenty (20) days of service of the Complaint;

23 2. That the Board set a time and place for a formal hearing after holding an Early
24 Case Conference pursuant to NRS 630.339(3);

25 3. That the Board determine what sanctions to impose if it determines there has been
26 a violation or violations of the Medical Practice Act committed by Respondent;

27 4. That the Board award fees and costs for the investigation and prosecution of this
28 case as outlined in NRS 622.400;

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5. That the Board make, issue and serve on Respondent its findings of fact, conclusions of law and order, in writing, that includes the sanctions imposed; and

6. That the Board take such other and further action as may be just and proper in these premises.

DATED this 27th day of June, 2024.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEVADA)
 : ss.
COUNTY OF WASHOE)

Bret W. Frey, M.D., having been duly sworn, hereby deposes and states under penalty of perjury that he is the Chairman of the Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners that authorized the Complaint against the Respondent herein; that he has read the foregoing Complaint; and that based upon information discovered in the course of the investigation into a complaint against Respondent, he believes that the allegations and charges in the foregoing Complaint against Respondent are true, accurate and correct.

DATED this 27th day of June, 2024.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By: 

BRET W. FREY, M.D.
Chairman of the Investigative Committee

EXHIBIT 1

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December 14, 2022

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Allison Budzban
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Dear Ms. Budzban:

The Judicial and Ethics Committee met December 8, 2022 and conducted an official hearing regarding the apparent falsification of an NBRC credential verification letter. After reviewing all available information in this matter, the Committee voted unanimously to suspend your CRT credential and eligibility for admission to all NBRC examinations for a two-year period of time retroactive to April 13, 2022. Should you obtain a valid state license to practice respiratory care in the future, you may petition the Committee in writing for reinstatement of your NBRC credential and examination eligibility at that time.

The effect of this decision is to prohibit your use of the CRT acronym, a federal trademark owned by the NBRC, as well as to prohibit the acceptance of applications for testing from you in the future. You will not be listed in the NBRC online directory of credentialed practitioners. In addition, the NBRC will respond to any inquiries it receives regarding your credential by indicating you have passed the examination, but your credential has been suspended as a result of disciplinary action taken by the NBRC.

In accordance with the Operating Policies of the Judicial and Ethics Committee (copy enclosed), you have the option to appeal this decision to the Board of Trustees by filing written notice with the NBRC at the address below within 30 days of the date of this letter. If you do so, the Board of Trustees, minus the members of the Judicial and Ethics Committee, will review the record of this case. If you have any questions about the decision of this Committee, you may contact me by writing in care of the NBRC Executive Office.

Sincerely,

Laura L. McFarland

Laura L. McFarland, BS, RRT, RRT-SDS, RPSGT
Chair, Judicial and Ethics Committee

Enclosure

