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The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53, are:

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Wisconsin Board of Nursing  
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Department of Regulation and Licensing  
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**PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Ralene Letae Milewski (dob: 8/17/77) is and was at all times relevant to the facts set forth herein a professional nurse licensed in the State of Wisconsin pursuant to license #139748. This license was first granted 10/9/01. Respondent is also licensed in Minnesota.

2. On 4/6/06, Respondent was disciplined by the Minnesota Board of Nursing, in that the Board adopted a consent decree finding that Respondent had diverted Schedule II opioids from her place of employment for personal unprescribed use, on multiple occasions in 2004 and January, 2005. The consent order further finds: in January, 2005, Respondent entered treatment for substance abuse, but did not comply with the requirements of the treatment program, and was discharged in May, 2005. Respondent obtained nursing employment at a nursing home in Minnesota from 3/2/05, to 7/7/05, when her employer discovered multiple issues regarding controlled substances, including forged signatures on narcotic administration records, missing controlled substances, medications which appeared to have been tampered with, and forged signatures and false names appearing on several narcotic logs. Respondent was contacted to schedule an interview regarding the matter, but resigned before the interview. On 3/27/06, Respondent represented to the Minnesota Board of Nursing that she had decided not to continue practicing nursing, but may consider returning to nursing practice in the future. Her Minnesota license was suspended for a minimum of 12 months, and conditions upon termination of that suspension were set forth at length.

3. In fact, Respondent began employment at the Hudson Hospital, Hudson, Wisconsin, on 3/28/06, as a professional nurse. She was terminated by her employer on 10/3/06, following an interview during which she admitted removing morphine, hydromorphone, and oxycodone products, all of which are Schedule II controlled substances, and lorazepam and temazepam, both of which are Schedule IV controlled substances, all without authorization. She obtained these by entering the medication storage room, including on days when she was not on duty, and entering a patients' names into the Pyxis system, purportedly for the purpose of administering medication to the patients. This entry caused each such patient to be charged for the medication. Respondent then diverted the medication for her own use or the use of another, and did not administer it to the patient.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

A. The Wisconsin Board of Nursing has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1)(b),(c), and (d), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

B. The conduct described in paragraphs 2 and 3, above, violated Wis. Adm. Code §§ N 7.03(2) and N 7.04(1), (2), (7), and (15). Such conduct constitutes unprofessional conduct within the meaning of the Code and statutes.

**ORDER**

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the attached Stipulation is accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, effective the date of this Order, the SURRENDER of the license to practice nursing of Ralene L. Milewski, R.N., is ACCEPTED. Respondent shall not practice nursing in Wisconsin, including under the Nurse Licensure Compact, without a Wisconsin license.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, Respondent shall pay costs of \$400 to the Department of Regulation and Licensing.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007,

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING, by:  
Marilyn Kaufmann  
Chairperson