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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST
KATHLEEN M. BOLDUS, RN,
Respondent
ORDER SUSPENDING THE LIMITED LICENSE
On January 29, 1999, the Board of Nursing issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter. By the terms of the board's order, respondent's license to practice as a registered nurse in Wisconsin was limited to require that she complete within nine months an approved course of training in the proper use of the Pyxis system. Within two months of the Order, respondent was to have submitted a plan for the required training for approval and, unticompletion of the approved training program, respondent was to engage in direct patient care only under the direct supervision of another registered nurse, was not to be employed as a pool nurse, and was to provide her nursing employers with a copy of the board's Order. The board's Order was served on respondent by certified mail, return receipt requested, on February 2, 1999; but because respondent had moved on three separate occasions, and failed each time to leave a forwarding address, she did not actually receive the board's Final Decision and Order.
On November 5, 1999, the board considered evidence that respondent had to that date complied with none of the limitations on her license. The board's Order states in part as follows:
Failure by Respondent to fully and timely comply with the requirements of this Order shall result in the suspension of Respondent's license to practice as a nurse without further notice or hearing, until such time as full compliance with the provisions of this Order has been attained.
Accordingly,
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the license of Kathleen M. Boldus, RN. to practice as a professional nurse in Wisconsin be and hereby is, suspended, effective immediately.
<u>DISCUSSION</u>
While it appears that Ms. Boldus never actually received a copy of the board's Order in this case, she was well aware of the terms of the limited license in that she entered into a Stipulation agreeing to those terms and received a draft copy of the board's Order at the time she executed the Stipulation. Moreover, under sec. RL 2.08, Code, service is complete on mailing, and respondent therefore was served with a copy of the signed Final Decision and Order when it was mailed to her at her address of record on February 2, 1999. She is therefore clearly in violation of the Order, and suspension of her license is therefore appropriate and necessary.
Dated this 11th day of November, 1999.
STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING
by
Timothy D. Burns, CRNA
Chairman