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## STATE OF WISCONSIN

## BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST
DENNIS E. BREMER, R.N LS9807094NUR
Respondent
ORDER DENYING STAY
On July 9, 1998, the Board of Nursing issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter, by which Mr. Bremer's license to practice professional nursing in Wisconsin was indefinitely suspended. By the terms of the Order, Mr. Bremer is permitted to apply to the board for successive three month stays of the suspension upon submission of to the board of an evaluation by an addictionologist indicating that he is successfully participating in a treatment program acceptable to the board and that, in his or her opinion, Mr. Bremer may safely and reliably practice as a nurse.
At its meeting of March 5, 1999, the board considered Mr. Bremer's application for a stay of the suspension of his license. Based upon that application, the board orders as follows:
<u>ORDER</u>
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the petition of Dennis E. Bremer, R.N., for a stay of the suspension of his license be, and hereby is, denied.
DISCUSSION
As of February 18, 1999, Mr. Bremer was still on methadone maintenance therapy, though he had reportedly decreased its use by 70% and planned to be off of methadone by the time of the board's March 5, 1999, meeting. While the board is encouraged at Mr. Bremer's progress in rehabilitation, it is felt that he should demonstrate at least three months without the use of any controlled substance prior to the grant of a stay.
Dated this 8th day of March, 1999.
STATE OF WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING
by
Timothy D. Burns, CRNA Chairman

