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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

KATHLEEN M. ROBERGE, R.N.,

Respondent

ORDER GRANTING STAY AND DENYING PETITION

On January 7, 2000, 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 suspended for an indefinite period, with provision for successive three-month stays of the suspension conditioned upon compliance with certain conditions and limitations on the license. Among these were that respondent participate in a recognized program for the treatment of chemical dependency, that she participate in psychotherapy a minimum of once each week, and that she participate in program of random witnessed monitoring for controlled substances and alcohol in his blood or urine on a frequency of not less than once per week.

By letter dated February 24, 2000, respondent requested a further three month stay of the suspension of her license, and requested as well that the limitations on her license be modified to be consistent with limitations imposed by the Minnesota Board of Nursing in an earlier disciplinary action brought by that board.

Based upon respondent's requests, and upon all other information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the suspension of the license of Kathleen Roberge to practice as a professional nurse in Wisconsin is hereby stayed for an additional three month period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that based upon the substantial disparity between the requirements imposed by the board's Final Decision and Order dated January 7, 2000, and the requirements imposed by the Minnesota board, Ms. Roberge's request that the limitations on her Wisconsin license be made consistent with those imposed by Minnesota is denied.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2000.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

by _____

Ann Brewer, R.N.

Chair