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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

LISA M. LANGE, LPN,

Respondent

ORDER REINSTATING LICENSE

On May 5, 1995, 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 licensed practical nurse in Wisconsin was suspended for an indefinite period until further notice of the board.

By letter received by the board on April 1, 1999, Ms. Lange requested information on what would be required to have her license reinstated. By letter dated May 24, 1999, the department monitor requested additional information and reports relating to any treatment Ms. Lange has undergone since the suspension of her license. In response, Ms. Lange submitted a letter from a person attesting to Ms. Lange's attendance at AA, and a June 10, 1999 letter from Ms. Lange's physician, William N. Watson, M.D., recounting Ms. Lange's treatment between March, 1997 and December, 1998, for Recurrent Major Depressive Disorder. Dr. Watson indicates in his letter that he is not aware of Ms. Lange's current status, but that the prognosis for Ms. Lange's condition with adequate treatment is generally good. The board denied reinstatement, and ordered that upon submission by Ms. Lange of a current assessment by a therapist satisfactory to the board establishing that Ms. Lange is competent to safely resume the practice of nursing, and recommending conditions, if any, which should be imposed upon her practice, the board would further consider Ms. Lange's petition for reinstatement of her license.

On September 17, 1999, the board again considered Ms. Lange's petition for reinstatement. In response to the board's requirement for a current assessment, Ms. Lange submitted a letter to Ms. Lange from George O.J. Scharrer, CADC III. While that letter refers to an AODO assessment performed on August 9, 1999, it is not itself an AODO assessment, and fails to provide sufficient information to allow the board to make an informed decision whether to grant reinstatement and, if so, what limitations, if any, should be placed on her license. the petition was therefore denied by the board's Order dated September 23, 1999.

On January 6, 2000, the board considered an evaluation performed by Herbert C. White, D.O., by which Dr. White concluded that Ms. Lange was competent to resume the practice of nursing. Based upon that assessment, and upon other information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the license of Lisa M. Lange, LPN, to practice as a practical nurse in Wisconsin be, and hereby is, reinstated.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2000.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

by _____

Ann Brewer, RN

Chairman