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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

DEBRA J. SHOWEN, RN,

Respondent

ORDER GRANTING PETITION

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 suspended for an indefinite period, with provision for respondent's petitioning 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 her blood or urine on a frequency of not less than once each week.

On November 5, 1999, the board considered respondent's request that the suspension of her license be stayed for a period of three months. The board granted the request by its order dated November 11, 1999.

By letter dated February 2, 2000, Ms. Showen requested a further three month stay of the suspension of her license. She also requested that the provision of the Order by which she is required to refrain from access to controlled substances in her employment setting be removed. The board considered Ms. Showen's request on March 3, 2000.

Based upon respondent's request, 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 Debra Showen to practice as a professional nurse in Wisconsin is hereby stayed for a period of three months. Ms. Showen may petition for additional three month stays, which will be granted upon satisfactory demonstration of full compliance with all terms and conditions on her license during the preceding three month period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Showen's request for removal of the provision in the board's Final decision and Order by which Ms. Showen is required to refrain from access to controlled substances in her work setting is granted.

Dated this 10th day of March, 2000.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

by _____

Ann Brewer

Chair