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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

MAURI LYNN FOWLER, LPN,

ORDER AFFIRMING

Respondent

DENIAL OF STAY

On May 14, 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 for at least two years to require that she abstain from the use of alcohol and controlled substances, 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 twice each week, that she practice only under the supervision of an RN in a work setting approved by the board, and that she be responsible for submission of quarterly work reports by her employer.

On November 5, 1999, the board considered evidence that respondent had complied with none of the limitations on her license. Accordingly, the board terminated the stay and suspended the license.

On June 1, 2001, the board considered Ms. Fowler's petition for renewal of the stay. The board also considered evidence that the March 15, 2001, urine screen was positive for cocaine metabolites. Accordingly, the board denied the petition for a further stay.

On August 2, 2001, the board considered Ms. Fowler's letter of July 6, 2001, requesting that the board reconsider its previous decision to terminate the stay. While Ms. Fowler maintained in her letter that she was compliant with the board's Order, she failed to address the very issue which caused the board to terminate the stay in June. Accordingly, the board's Order denying the stay was affirmed.

On November 1, 2001, the board considered Ms. Fowler's further appeal from the board's order denying the stay. In a letter dated August 20, 2001, Ms. Fowler again expresses confusion over the basis for the board's denial of the stay. In a reply dated September 26, 2001, the board's monitor specifically sets forth the bases for the board's denial as being the positive drug screen and failure to be screened for those substances specified in the board's original order. Again, Ms. Fowler has failed to address these issues, Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Ms. Fowler's appeal of the board's Order Denying Stay dated June 8, 2001, is again denied, and that Order is hereby again affirmed.

Dated this 8th day of November, 2001.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING

Ann Brewer, RN
Chair