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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

ELIZABETH E. HESS, RN,

ORDER DENYING THE STAY

Respondent

On July 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 her blood or urine on a frequency of not less than once each week.

By letter dated October 30, 2000, respondent requested that the suspension of her license be stayed for an additional period of three months. The board considered that request at its meeting of January 5, 2001. The board also considered evidence that respondent has not fully complied with all terms and conditions of her limited license. Accordingly, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Ms. Hess' request for a further stay of the suspension of her license is denied. Ms. Hess may request a reinstatement of the stay upon submission of evidence of having fully complied with the terms and conditions of her limited license during the preceding three month period.

Dated this 12th day of January, 2001.

STATE OF WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

Ann Brewer, RN

Chair