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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF	
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	
DENISE M. GAUDET, RN,	ORDER GRANTING STAY
Respondent	

On January 4, 2001, 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. Ms. Gaudet was permitted to petition for a three month stay of the suspension, and to petition for successive stays thereafter, 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, that she attend AA or NA meetings 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. The initial stay was granted effective April 24, 2001.

On August 2, 2001, the board considered Ms. Gaudet's request that she be granted a further three month stay of the suspension. The board also considered Ms. Gaudet's self-disclosure that she had relapsed to the use of alcohol on May 12, 2001, and referred herself to the Harrington Recovery Center for treatment.

Based upon all information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Ms. Gaudet's request for a stay of the suspension of his license is granted. Ms. Gaudet may petition for a stay of the suspension upon satisfactory demonstration of having fully complied with the terms and conditions on her license during the preceding three month period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that paragraph #14 of the board's Order in this matter is hereby amended to remove methaqualone from the screening panel.

Dated this 13th day of August, 2001.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

Ann Brewer, RN

Chair