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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

VINCENT W. BERGSTROM, RN

ORDER GRANTING STAY

Respondent

On March 6, 1998, 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 consecutive three month stays of the suspension conditioned upon compliance with limitations on the license, including that he maintain absolute sobriety and refrain from personal use of controlled substances. Respondent relapsed on a number of occasions and, accordingly, the board accepted the voluntary surrender of Mr. Bergstrom's license by its Final Decision and Order dated January 29, 1999.

On May 14, 1999, Mr. Bergstrom appeared before the board in support of his request that the board reinstate his license on a limited basis. Based upon the petition and other information of record herein, the parties entered into a Stipulation, by which the Board of Nursing agreed to grant, and Vincent W. Bergstrom agreed to accept, a limited license to practice as a professional nurse in Wisconsin imposing certain terms and conditions. Among these were that he participate in a program for the treatment of chemical dependency at a health care facility satisfactory to the board under the supervision of a supervising health care provider; that he attend therapy on a schedule as recommended by his therapist or Supervising Health Care Provider, but not less than four sessions per month; that he attend Alcoholics Anonymous or Narcotics Anonymous on a schedule as recommended by his therapist; that he abstain from all personal use of alcohol and of controlled substances as defined in Sec. 161.01(4), Stats., except when necessitated by a legitimate medical condition and then only with the prior approval of the Supervising Health Care Provider; that he supply on at least a four times per month basis, random monitored urine, blood or hair specimens as the Supervising Health Care Provider shall direct; and that he not be allowed to have access to controlled substances in his work setting.

On January 5, 2001, and April 6, 2001, the board granted Mr. Bergstrom's requests for further three month stays of the suspension of his license.

On July 9, 2001, the board considered Mr. Bergstrom's request for termination of all limitations on his license. After discussion, the board decided that while it is encouraged by Mr. Bergstrom's rehabilitative progress, and while it appears appropriate to decrease the required frequency of urine screens and therapy, it is too early to grant a return to full licensure. Accordingly, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the suspension of the license of Vince Bergstrom, RN, is hereby stayed for a further period of three months.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the number of required urine screens and therapy sessions are both hereby reduced to two per month.

Dated this 16th day of July, 2001.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING

Ann Brewer, RN

Chair

