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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

KARI JO KITTELL, RN,
Respondent

ORDER GRANTING STAY AND
MODIFYING LIMITATIONS

On July 21, 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 a period of not less than two years, 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 per month, and that she participate in a program of random witnessed monitoring for controlled substances and alcohol in her blood or urine on a frequency of not less than twice per month.

By letter dated October 27, 1999, respondent requested that the stay of the suspension of her license be renewed for a period of three months. The board considered that request on January 6, 2000. The board also considered information that Ms. Kittell had submitted to only two urine screens between the date of the board's Order and November 23, 1999. The board therefore denied the stay by its Order dated January 18, 2000.

On May 19, 2000, the board considered Ms. Kittell's request that the stay of the suspension of her license be reinstated. The board denied the request by its Order dated June 6, 2000.

On September 1, 2000, the board considered Ms. Kittell's further request for a stay of the suspension of her license, and granted the request by its Order dated September 8, 2000.

By letter dated February 19, 2001, Ms. Kittell requested a further three month stay. The board considered the request on April 6, 2001, and considered as well the recommendation by Ms. Kittell's therapist that she not have access to controlled substances at her place of employment. Based upon all information record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the request of Kari Kittell for a further three month stay of the suspension of her license is granted. Ms. Kittell may petition for further stays of the suspension, which shall be granted upon submission of satisfactory evidence that she has fully complied with the board's July 21, 1999 Final Decision and Order during the previous three month period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that paragraph 25 of the board's July 21, 1999, Final decision and Order is hereby modified to read as follows:

(25) Respondent shall refrain from access to or administration of controlled substances in her work setting until such time as access or administration is approved by the board.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2001.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING

Ann Brewer, RN
Chair

