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#### STATE OF WISCONSIN

#### BEFORE THE NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION

FOR A LICENSE TO PRACTICE AS

A NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATOR

ORDER GRANTING LIMITED

**LICENSE** 

**ROLF DONHOWE,** 

**APPLICANT** 

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Rolf F. Donhowe

2514 Sunset Lane

Logansport, Indiana 46947

Rolf F. Donhowe, whose address is 2514 Sunset Lane, Logansport, Indiana 46947, dob, 04/17/58, filed an application on or about April 23, 2002 for a reciprocal license to practice as a nursing home administrator in the state of Wisconsin.

Section 456.08, Wis. Stats., states that the examining board may grant a nursing home administrator license to a person who holds a nursing home administrator license issued by the proper authorities of any other state, upon payment of the fee specified in s. 440.05 (2) and upon submission of satisfactory evidence of the person's qualifications. This provision has been interpreted by the Board in s. NHA 4.03, Wis. Adm. Code.

Mr. Donhowe has held a license as a Health Facility Administrator (#14003911A) in the state of Indiana since May 23, 1995. In his application for reciprocity that he filed with the Wisconsin Nursing Home Administrator Examining Board, Mr. Donhowe stated that he has a pending action against his Administrator's license in Indiana. Based upon the information that Mr. Donhowe attached to his application for reciprocity, the Indiana Board of Health Facility Administrators filed a disciplinary Complaint against his Indiana Health Facility Administrator's license on or about June 12, 2000. The Complaint (Case Number 2000 HFA 014) alleges that Mr. Donhowe violated numerous laws relating to his practice as a health facility administrator in the state of Indiana. The hearing in the matter is scheduled for December 4-6, 2002.

#### **DECISION**

The Board considered Mr. Donhowe's application for reciprocity, as well as supplemental documents submitted in support of his application, at its meeting on June 20, 2002. Having reviewed Mr. Donhowe's application materials; personally interviewed him at its June 20, 2002 meeting, and having taken into consideration the Board's obligation to assure protection of the public, the Board voted to grant a limited license to Mr. Donhowe to practice as a nursing home administrator in the state of Wisconsin.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED** that Rolf F. Donhowe be, and hereby is granted, a LIMITED LICENSE to practice as a nursing home administrator in the state of Wisconsin. Applicant's license is LIMITED FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME and is subject to the following limitations and conditions:

- (1) Applicant shall, within one month after he receives the results of any survey of a nursing home facility of which he is administrator, inform the Board of those results. This requirement shall remain in effect for at least 30 months after the issuance of this Order.
- (2) Applicant shall submit a copy of the Final Decision and Order issued by the Indiana State Board of Health Facility Administrators in resolution of its pending disciplinary action, and any other disciplinary actions taken, to the Wisconsin Nursing Home Administrator Examining Board within 15 business days after receiving a copy of the Final Decision and Order.
- (3) The Board reserves the right to impose additional conditions and limitations upon applicant's license or to impose further discipline upon the applicant based upon misconduct or unprofessional conduct that occurred in Indiana or any other state prior to the issuance of this license or any misconduct or unprofessional conduct that occurs during the term of this Limited License.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that upon complete, successful and continuous compliance with the limitations and conditions set forth in paragraph 1-3, above for a period of three (3) years, the Board, in its discretion, may grant applicant's request for unrestricted licensure.

## REQUEST FOR HEARING

Pursuant to s. RL 1.05 Wis. Adm. Code, applicant may request a hearing within 30 days after the mailing of this Notice. The form of the request shall contain:

- (1) The applicant's name and address;
- (2) The type of license for which the applicant has applied;
- (3) The reasons why the applicant requests a hearing;
- (4) The facts which the applicant intends to prove at the hearing; and,
- (5) A description of the mistake the applicant believes was made, if the applicant claims that the grant of a limited license is based on a mistake in fact or law.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2002.

Karen Robinson, Chairperson

Nursing Home Administrator Examining Board