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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

RITA V. (BAIRD) PITZER, R.N.

ORDER GRANTING STAY

Applicant

By its Final Decision and Order dated March 4, 1994, the Board of Nursing suspended applicant's license indefinitely. The board's Order provided for consecutive three month stays of the suspension conditioned upon applicant's compliance with limitations placed on her license, including full participation in a drug treatment program. Because applicant failed to so participate, the suspension went into effect, and her license has been suspended since that time.

On January 29, 1999, Ms. Pitzer appeared before the board in support of her petition to reinstate her license, and the board considered the request on that date. The board granted a three month stay and limited the license to require that she complete a nurse refresher course and to thereafter participate in a drug or alcohol treatment program.

On August 14, 2001, and again on November 1, 2001, the board granted Ms. Pitzer's requests for three month stays.

On February 1, 2002, the board granted Ms. Pitzer's request for a further three month stay, but denied her further request for a reduction in the number of required urine screens.

On May 2, 2002, the board considered Ms. Pitzer's request for a further three month stay, and the renewal of her request for a reduction in the number of required urine screens. Based upon those requests, and upon other information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Pitzer's request for a reduction in the number of required urine screens is denied.

Dated this 8th day of May, 2002.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

Linda M. Sanner, RN

Chair