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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

MARGARET MARY CRAIN, RN,

Respondent

ORDER GRANTING STAY

On September 1, 2000, 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 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 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.

On February 2, 2001, the board considered Ms. Crain's request for a further three month stay of the suspension of her license. The board also considered evidence that she had failed to submit to the minimum number of required urine screens during the preceding three month period. Accordingly, the board denied a further stay by its Order dated February 6, 2001.

On April 6, 2001, the board considered Ms. Crain's appeal of the board's Order denying the stay, on the basis that she was unable to control the number of screens provided. It is the responsibility of the licensee to take appropriate action to ensure that the terms and conditions of the limited license are complied with, and the board therefore affirmed its prior denial.

On October 4, 2001, the board considered Ms. Crain's request for reinstatement of the stay of suspension of her license. The board also considered evidence that Ms. Crain was still not in full compliance with the terms of the board's Order. Accordingly, the board denied the stay.

On November 1, 2001, the board considered Ms. Crain's petition for reinstatement of the stay, and granted the stay by its Order dated November 8, 2001.

On February 1, 2002, the board granted Ms. Crain's request for a further three month stay.

On May 2, 2002, the board considered Ms. Crain's request for a further three month stay of the suspension. The board also considered evidence that Ms. Crain's screening panel has not included alcohol, which is her drug of choice. The board therefore denied the request for a further stay.

On August 9, 2002, the board considered Ms. Crain's request for reinstatement of the stay. Based upon all information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Ms. Crain's request for a stay of the suspension of her license is granted, and the suspension is hereby stayed for a period of three months.

Dated this 19th day of August, 2002.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING

Linda M. Sanner, RN
Chair