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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF  
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

DENISE M. GAUDET, RN,

Respondent

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ORDER GRANTING STAY

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On January 4, 2001, 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. Ms. Gaudet was permitted to petition for a three month stay of the suspension, and to petition for successive stays thereafter, 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, that she attend AA or NA meetings 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. The initial stay was granted effective April 24, 2001.

On August 2, 2001, October 19, 2001 and February 1, 2002, the board granted Ms. Gaudet's requests that she be granted further three month stays of the suspension.

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

On May 2, 2002, the board granted Ms. Gaudet's request for a further stay of the suspension of her license, and her further request that the number of required urine screens be reduced to eight per quarter.

On August 9, 2002, the board granted Ms. Gaudet's request for a further stay of the suspension of her license, but denied her further request that the number of required therapy sessions be reduced to two per quarter.

On November 7, 2002, the board considered Ms. Gaudet's request for a further three month stay, and her further request that the number of required therapy sessions be reduced to two per month. Based upon all information of record herein, including information that Ms. Gaudet did not meet the minimum requirement in the previous quarter, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Ms. Gaudet's request for a stay of the suspension of her license is granted. Ms. Gaudet may petition for a stay of the suspension upon satisfactory demonstration of having fully complied with the terms and conditions on her license during the preceding three month period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ms. Gaudet's request that the number of required therapy sessions be reduced to two per month is denied.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2002.

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BOARD OF NURSING

Linda M. Sanner, RN  
Chair