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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

PAUL V. LAUER, RN,
Respondent

ORDER DENYING STAY

On May 3, 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, 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 he participate in psychotherapy a minimum of once each week, that he attend AA or NA meetings each week, and that he participate in program of random witnessed monitoring for controlled substances and alcohol in his blood or urine on a frequency of not less than once each week.

On August 2, 2001, the board considered Mr. Lauer's request for a further three month stay of the suspension of his license. The board also considered evidence that Mr. Lauer had three positive screens for opiates in the month of June, and denied the stay by its Order dated August 13, 2001.

On November 1, 2001, the board considered Mr. Lauer's request that the stay of suspension be reinstated. The board received information at that time that Mr. Lauer is still out of compliance in terms of the drug screening panel being utilized, and the board denied the request.

On January 3, 2002, the board again considered Mr. Lauer's request for a stay of the suspension of the license. Again the board was confronted with evidence that Mr. Lauer is still not in full compliance with the terms of the board's Order. Accordingly, it is ordered as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that respondent's request for a further three month stay of the suspension of his license is denied. Respondent may petition for a further three month stay of the suspension upon submission of satisfactory evidence of having fully complied with all terms and conditions set forth in the board's Order during the previous three month period.

Dated this 25th day of January, 2002.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING

Linda Sanner, RN
Chair