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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

TODD J. COUGHLIN, LPN

Respondent

ORDER GRANTING RENEWAL

On September 12, 1996, 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 licensed practical nurse was suspended for an indefinite period of not less than two years, 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 therapy a minimum of four times each month, that he submit to weekly random urine screens for the presence of alcohol and controlled substances, and that he provide for quarterly written reports from his employer, his therapist and the monitoring program.

By its Order dated March 17, 1997, the board suspended the license based upon respondent's failure to comply with the terms and conditions of his limited license.

By letter dated January 13, 2002, respondent petitioned for reinstatement of his license, and he appeared before the board on March 1, 2002, in support of his petition. Thereafter, the board granted Mr. Coughlin a limited license to practice as a practical nurse in Wisconsin, imposing essentially the same conditions and limitations set forth above. The term of the license was for three months, with provision for three month renewals of the license upon submission of satisfactory evidence of compliance with the terms and conditions on his license during the preceding three month period.

On August 9, 2002, the board considered Mr. Coughlin's request for a three month renewal of the license. Based upon that request, and upon all other evidence of record herein, it is ordered as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the limited license of Todd J. Coughlin, LPN, is hereby renewed for a period of three months.

Dated this 19th day of August, 2002

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

Linda M. Sanner, RN

Chair