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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY	:	
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
	:	ORDER DENYING PETITION
RONALD J. VAUK JR., R.N.,	:	99 NUR 254
RESPONDENT.	:	

The Board of Nursing entered its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter on November 3, 2000. By the terms of the board's Order, Mr. Vauk was to comply with all terms and conditions of the disciplinary order issued by the Minnesota Board of nursing. Should he wish to practice in Wisconsin, Mr. Vauk's license was suspended indefinitely, with provision for consecutive three month stays of the suspension after initially complying with conditions and limitations imposed on the license for three months. Among these are that Mr. Vauk participate in a drug and alcohol treatment program, that he participate in weekly therapy sessions, that he attend AA or NA a minimum of one time weekly, that he submit to weekly urine screens, that he be responsible for submission of quarterly reports prepared by his therapist and employer, and that he refrain from access to controlled substances in his work setting.

By letter dated July 19, 2002, Mr. Vauk notified the board that he was relocating to Wisconsin, and he petitioned the board for a three month stay of the suspension of his license. On August 9, 2002, the board denied the stay based on Mr. Vauk's failure to demonstrate three months of compliance with the board's Order.

On December 5, 2003, the board considered Mr. Vauk's renewal of his petition for the stay of suspension. Information submitted by Mr. Vauk indicates that he has submitted to drug screens once per month instead of once per week as required by the board's Order. Moreover, while the board's Order required weekly therapy, it appears that Mr. Vauk is attending therapy on only a quarterly basis. Nonetheless, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the suspension of the license of Ronald J. Vauk is stayed for a period of three months. Mr. Vauk may petition for a further stay of the suspension, which shall be granted upon submission of satisfactory evidence of his having fully complied with the board's November 3, 2000 Order during the preceding three month period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Vauk's petition for restoration of his APNP certification is denied until Mr. Vauk is able to demonstrate some substantial period of successful practice in Wisconsin.

Dated this 10th day of December, 2003.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING

Linda M. Sanner, RN
Chair