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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF	:	
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
	:	ORDER GRANTING STAY
JILL M. BUSHONG, R.N.,	:	LS0201045NUR
RESPONDENT.	:	
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On September 5, 2002, the Board of Nursing issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter. By the terms of the board's Order, Ms. Bushong's license was suspended for an indefinite period. The suspension was stayed for a period of three months, conditioned upon compliance with the conditions and limitations outlined below.

Respondent is permitted to apply for consecutive three month extensions of the stay of suspension, which shall be granted upon acceptable demonstration of compliance with the conditions and limitations imposed on the respondent for rehabilitation and practice during the prior three (3) month period. Upon a showing by respondent of continuous, successful compliance for a period of at least five years of active practice with the terms of the order and compliance with all other terms of the Order, the Board may grant a petition by the Ms. Bushong for return of full licensure

Ms. Bushong was required to enroll and continue successful participation in all components of a drug and alcohol treatment program at a treatment facility acceptable to the board. The rehabilitation program must include and respondent must participate in individual and/or group therapy sessions for the first year of the stayed suspension upon a schedule as recommended by the supervising physician or therapist, but not less than once monthly. Ms. Bushong is also required to attend Narcotics Anonymous and/or Alcoholic Anonymous meetings or an equivalent program for recovering professionals, upon a frequency as recommended by the supervising physician or therapist, but not less than one meeting per week. Attendance of Respondent at such meetings must be verified and reported monthly to the supervising physician or therapist.

Within thirty (30) days from the date of the board's Order the Respondent was required to begin participation in a drug and alcohol monitoring program approved by the department pursuant to Wis. Adm. Code § RL 7.11. The Approved Program must require the testing of urine specimens at a frequency of not less than 26 times each year.

Ms. Bushong is responsible for compliance with all of the terms and conditions of the Final Decision and Order. She must promptly notify the Department Monitor, of any suspected violations of any of the terms and conditions of the Order, including any failures of the Supervising Health Care Provider, treatment facility, laboratory or collectior sites to conform to the terms and conditions of this Order.

Ms. Bushong is not restricted from access to or administration of controlled substances in her work setting. However, in the event that the Supervising Health Care Provider recommends restrictions upon access to controlled substances, the Board may Order such restrictions and Ms Bushong must comply. She is required to practice only under the general supervision of a licensed professional nurse or other licensed health care professional approved by the Board or in a work setting pre-approved by the Board or its designated agent. Finally, Ms. Bushong was required to arrange for her employer to provide formal written reports to the board on a quarterly basis, assessing Ms. Bushong's work performance.

On January 10, 2003, the board granted Ms. Bushong's petition for a further three month stay of the suspension o her license.

On April 4, 2003, the board considered Ms. Bushong's petition for a further three month stay of the suspension of her license. Based upon all information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the suspension of the license of Jill M. Bushong, RN, to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Wisconsin be, and hereby is, stayed for an additional period of three months.

Dated this 9th day of April, 2003.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

Linda M. Sanner, RN

Chair