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STATE OF WISCONSIN

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

ORDER 0002635

MALINDA LAUGHLIN LPN

Respondent

ORDER REINSTATING LIMITED LICENSE

The Board considered the application of Malinda Laughlin for reinstatement of her LPN license. Because Ms Laughlin's license expired in 1989, she is subject to the provisions of sec. 440.440.08(3)(b), Stats. and sec. N 5.08(1), Code. Those sections state as follows:

440.08(3)(b) The department or the interested examining board or affiliated credentialing board, as appropriate, may promulgate rules requiring the holder of a credential who fails to renew the credential within 5 years after its renewal date to complete requirements in order to restore the credential, in addition to the applicable requirements for renewal established under chs. 440 to 480, that the department, examining board or affiliated credentialing board determines is necessary to protect the public health, safety or welfare. The rules may not require the holder to complete educational requirements or pass examinations that are more extensive than the educational or examination requirements that must be completed in order to obtain an initial credential from the department, the examining board or the affiliated credentialing board.

N 5.08 (1) The board may, in the exercise of its discretion, require a credential holder who has failed to renew his or her license within 5 years after its renewal date to demonstrate continued competence in the practice of nursing as a prerequisite to credential renewal.

Based upon the foregoing, and upon other information of record herein,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the license of Malinda Laughlin to practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse be, and hereby is, reinstated. The license shall be limited to permit her to practice only as a participant in a board-approved LPN refresher course. Upon successful completion of the refresher course, Ms Laughlin's may petition the board for return to full licensure.

Dated this 3/ day of March 2003.

STATE OF WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

Linda Sanner, R.N.

Chair