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In the Matter of the Applications for the Licenses of LOVELINE CHIMAFOR, HANATU SCOTT, KARLENE PRYCE, NARDINE BEAUVAIS, DUHAMELLE JOSEPH-AGNANT, AND MARGARETT MURAD, Applicants

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
Order No. _____
ORDER 0001387

Division of Enforcement Case Nos. 10 NUR 307, 10 NUR 309, 10 NUR 310, 10 NUR 313 and 10 NUR 314

The State of Wisconsin, Board of Nursing, having considered the above-captioned matter and having reviewed the record and the Proposed Decision of the Administrative Law Judge, make the following:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that the Proposed Decision annexed hereto, filed by the Administrative Law Judge, shall be and hereby is made and ordered the Final Decision of the State of Wisconsin, Board of Nursing.

The rights of a party aggrieved by this Decision to petition the department for rehearing and the petition for judicial review are set forth on the attached "Notice of Appeal Information."

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin on the 23

day of

2012

Member

Board of Nursing



State Of Wisconsin DIVISION OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

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PROPOSED DECISION AND ORDER DISMISSING REQUEST FOR HEARING DHA Case No. SPS-11-0013

ORDER 000138/

Division of Enforcement Case Nos. 10 NUR 307, 10 NUR 309, 10 NUR 310, 10 NUR 313 and 10 NUR 314

The parties to this proceeding for purposes of Wis. Stat §§ 227.47(1) and 227.53 are:

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FINDINGS OF FACT

Based on the record in this matter, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) makes the following findings of fact:

(1) The original applicants in this matter, through their attorney, Evan Knupp, requested a hearing on the Board of Nursing's December 2, 2010, decision to annul and withdraw their licenses to practice nursing in the State of Wisconsin on January 25, 2011. Several

prehearing and status conferences were subsequently held in this matter, the majority of which addressed the issue of how the applicants wished to proceed. At some of the more recent conferences, the applicants' attorney, Attorney Knupp, represented that his clients had not been responding to his attempts to communicate with them and questioned whether they wished to move forward with their appeal.

- (2) On October 18, 2011, the ALJ in this matter ordered the applicants to inform the tribunal, no later than November 11, 2011, of whether they intend to proceed with this appeal, allowing such information to be communicated through their attorney.
- (3) On November 10, 2011, the ALJ and attorney for the Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Enforcement (Division) received an e-mail from Attorney Knupp stating that he received communication from three of the six clients in this matter, including Applicant Scott. Attorney Knupp represented that of the three applicants who contacted him, only Ms. Scott wished to proceed in this matter and that she reiterated her request to be permitted to organize the educational materials into a portfolio format to submit to the Division's attorney, as requested by a Board of Nursing member.
- (4) A status conference was held on this matter on December 13, 2011, at which Attorney Knupp represented that Ms. Scott was in the middle of final examinations for her nursing degree and that he believed there was approximately a 50% chance that she would organize and submit the portfolio requested by the Board. Ms. Scott was provided another opportunity to submit the requested materials.
- (5) Pursuant to the discussions at the December 13, 2011 status conference, on December 14, 2011, the undersigned ALJ issued an order dismissing the requests for hearing from all of the original applicants, with the exception of Ms. Scott. With regard to Ms. Scott, a status conference was scheduled for January 12, 2012.
- (6) At the January 12, 2012 status conference, the parties represented that Ms. Scott had again failed to submit the requested materials. It was also apparent that Ms. Scott's communication with her attorney had been minimal at best. The Division's attorney moved for dismissal of Ms. Scott's request for hearing based on the conclusion that Ms. Scott has failed to pursue her appeal. Counsel for Ms. Scott did not object.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the agreement of the parties and Ms. Scott's failure to pursue her request for hearing in this matter, Ms. Scott's request for hearing is appropriately dismissed.

ORDER

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that the request for hearing from Hanatu Scott is hereby **DISMISSED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the above-captioned matter be and hereby is closed.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin on January 20, 2012.

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