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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

LORI A. MCCOOL, R.N., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0001826

Division of Enforcement Case No. 12NUR053

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Lori A. McCool, R.N. 806 N. Ringold Street Janesville, WI 53545

Division of Enforcement Department of Safety and Professional Services 1400 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Board of Nursing
Department of Safety and Professional Services
1400 East Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board of Nursing (Board). The Board has reviewed the attached Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Lori A. McCool, R.N., (DOB 12/06/1967) is licensed as a professional nurse in the State of Wisconsin (license no. 145759-30). This license was first granted on September 25, 2003.

- 2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Department of Safety and Professional Services is 806 N. Ringold Street, Janesville, WI 53545.
- 3. Between March 1, 2010 and January 23, 2012, Respondent worked as a professional nurse without an active license. Respondent's employer discovered the expired license during a routine license verification.
- 4. Respondent inadvertently failed to renew her license and was under the impression her license was current.
 - 5. Respondent renewed her license on January 26, 2012.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Wisconsin Board of Nursing has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).
- 2. The conduct described in paragraph 3 above constitutes a violation of Wis. Admin. Code §§ N 5.03(1) and 7.04(1) and subjects Respondent to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 441.07(1)(b) and (d).

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. Lori A. McCool, R.N., is REPRIMANDED.
- 2. Respondent shall, within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, pay to the Department of Safety and Professional Services costs of this proceeding in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22(2).
- 3. All petitions, payments, reports and other correspondence shall be mailed or delivered to:

Department Monitor
Department of Safety and Professional Services
Division of Enforcement
1400 East Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935
Fax (608) 266-2264
Telephone (608) 267-3817

- 4. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event that Respondent fails to timely submit payment of the costs as ordered, Respondent's license (no. 145759-30) may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of this Order.
 - 5. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Wisconsin Board of Nursing

A Member of the Board

Date

4/1/12