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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

KIMBERLY SCHUMACHER, L.P.N., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0002044

Division of Enforcement Case No. 12NUR004

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

Kimberly Schumacher, L.P.N. 1369 Wayland Street Beaver Dam, WI 53916

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
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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. 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. Kimberly Schumacher, L.P.N., (DOB 09/29/1958) is licensed as a practical nurse in the State of Wisconsin (license no. 23893-31). This license was first granted on May 29, 1981.

- 2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Board of Nursing is 1369 Wayland Street, Beaver Dam, WI 53916.
- 3. On or about December 24, 2011, Respondent was working in a hospice patient's home as a caregiver. The registered nurse (RN), who was scheduled to visit the home, attempted to call the home four times, and on the fourth time, Respondent answered the phone and told the RN that the patient had fallen she could not get him up.
- 4. When the RN arrived at the patient's home, Respondent was sitting on the sofa in the living room. The patient was found lying naked on the floor in his bedroom. The RN assisted the patient onto the bed and asked Respondent for assistance.
- 5. Respondent had difficulty following the RN's directions and was falling asleep during the visit. Respondent claimed to have administered the patient's medications however; the medications were still in the medset.
- 6. During the course of the RN's visit, Respondent had soiled her pants with urine and stool.
- 7. On or about December 29, 2011, Respondent suffered an illness preventing her from remembering the December 24 incident and causing other memory loss. Respondent wishes to surrender her license until she is safe to practice nursing.

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 above constitutes a violation of Wisconsin Admin. Code § N 7.03(1) and subjects Respondent to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1)(c).

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. The SURRENDER of the license of Kimberly Schumacher to practice nursing in the State of Wisconsin is hereby accepted.
- 2. The SURRENDER of the privilege of Kimberly Schumacher to practice nursing in the State of Wisconsin under another state license pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact is hereby accepted.

- 3. In the event that Respondent re-applies for licensure as a nurse in the future, the Board may enter an order denying such application without further notice or hearing.
- 4. In the event that Respondent ever reapplies for any credential in Wisconsin Respondent shall, prior to such application, pay costs of this proceeding in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00). Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services, and mailed to:

Department Monitor
Division of Enforcement
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935
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5. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Board of Nursing

By:

A Member of the Board

Date

9/13/12