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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

KEITH P. HAWKINS, R.N.,
RESPONDENT.

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ORDER 0002340

Division of Legal Services and Compliance¹ Case No. 12 NUR 519

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

Keith P. Hawkins, R.N.
1926 16th Street Northeast
Rochester, Minnesota 55906

Wisconsin Board of Nursing
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
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 disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Wisconsin Board of Nursing (Board). The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Keith P. Hawkins, R.N., (dob May 15, 1955) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a professional nurse, having license number 30-95818, first issued on December 22, 1986 and current through February 28, 2014. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 1926 16th Street Northeast, Rochester, Minnesota 55906.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was practicing as a nurse in the State of Minnesota.

¹ The Division of Legal Services and Compliance was formerly known as the Division of Enforcement.

3. In 2003, Respondent practice nursing while under the influence of alcohol. Respondent entered into a Letter of Agreement with his employer.

4. On December 6, 2011, Respondent practice nursing while under the influence of alcohol, violating his Letter of Agreement with his employer.

5. Respondent declined the Minnesota Board of Nursing's referral to Health Professionals Services Program.

6. On October 4, 2012, the Minnesota Board of Nursing suspended Respondent's license to practice nursing in Minnesota.

7. Respondent represents that his current position does not require a nursing license, and therefore tenders the voluntary surrender of his license.

8. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

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 pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact Keith P. Hawkins, R.N., engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined in Wis. Admin. Code § N 7.04(7) by having disciplinary action taken against his license in Minnesota.

3. As a result of the above conduct, Keith P. Hawkins, R.N., is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1)(d).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. The SURRENDER of the license and privilege of Keith P. Hawkins, R.N., (license no. 30-95818) to practice nursing in the State of Wisconsin or under another state license pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact is hereby accepted.

3. In the event that Respondent petitions the Board of Nursing for re-licensure as a nurse in the future, the Board may enter an order denying such application without further notice or hearing. Whether to grant a license and whether to impose any limitations or restrictions on any license granted shall be in the discretion of the Board.

4. In the event that Respondent petitions the Board of Nursing for re-licensure, Respondent shall pay to the Department of Safety and Professional Services the costs of this proceeding in the amount of \$300.00, which shall be paid prior to re-licensure pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22(2).

5. Payment of costs shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and sent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

by: Gretchen Lawe
A Member of the Board

3/14/13
Date