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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF

ADMINISTRATIVE INJUNCTION

AMY E. BENDICKSON, RESPONDENT.

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 UNL 005

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

Amy E. Bendickson 1188 Cambria Court Oshkosh, WI 54904-7324

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 8366 Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 7190 Madison, WI 53707-7190

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 Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department). The Department has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Department adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent Amy E. Bendickson is not and has never been licensed as a professional or practical nurse in the State of Wisconsin.
- 2. Respondent worked for the Oshkosh Area School District under the title "school nurse" from August 28, 2008 through November 1, 2013. Her duties involved providing direct health care to students, providing nursing care plans for students and monitoring implementation of care plans.

- 3. Respondent was placed on administrative leave after the school district became aware she did not and had never held a professional or practical nursing license.
- 4. Respondent's un-licensed practice was not intentional. Rather, it was due to a misunderstanding between her and her employer as to the scope of her job duties.
- 5. Respondent submitted her resignation to the school district on August 12, 2013, which was accepted on November 1, 2013.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code ch. SPS 3 and Wis. Stat. § 440.21, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).
- 2. The conduct described above constitutes the unlicensed practice of professional and practical nursing, contrary to Wis. Stat. § 441.06(4).

ORDER

- 1. The attached stipulation is accepted.
- 2. Unless and until Respondent is properly licensed as a practical or professional nurse by the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services, Respondent is enjoined and prohibited from the practice of practical or professional nursing in the State of Wisconsin. Violation of this special order may result in a forfeiture of up to \$10,000 for each day of violation. See Wis. Stat. § 440.21(4)(a).
- 3. If the Department determines that there is probable cause to believe that Respondent has violated any terms of this Administrative Injunction, the Department may refer the violations covered by this decision and order to any appropriate prosecutorial unit for review for possible criminal charges.

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Issued at Madison, Wisconsin, this <u>29th</u> day of <u>Saptentur</u>, 20<u>14</u>.

By:

Michael J. Berndt, Chief Legal Counsel

On behalf of the Department

IN THE MATTER OF A PETITION FOR AN : ADMINSTRATIVE INJUNCTION INVOLVING :

STIPULATION

AMY E. BENDICKSON, RESPONDENT.

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 UNL 005

Respondent Amy E. Bendickson, and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services stipulate as follows:

- 1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.
- 2. Respondent understands that by signing this Stipulation, Respondent voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:
 - the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
 - the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Respondent;
 - the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
 - the right to testify on Respondent's own behalf;
 - the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
 - the right to petition for rehearing; and
 - all other applicable rights afforded to Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.
- 3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.
- 4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order of Injunction by the Department. The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Department's order, if adopted in the form as attached.
- 5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Department, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the

Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Department, the parties agree not to contend that the Department has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

- 6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney for the Department of Safety and Professional Services may appear before the Department for the purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that the Department may have in connection with deliberations on this Stipulation.
- 7. Respondent is informed that should the Department adopt this Stipulation, the Department's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.
- 8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Department adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

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