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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF

ADMINISTRATIVE INJUNCTION

TRICIA N. MCINTYRE, RESPONDENT.

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 15 UNL 140

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

Tricia N. McIntyre 12510 South Roy Rd. Beloit, WI 53511

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 Tricia N. McIntyre is not and has never been licensed as a professional nurse in the State of Wisconsin.
- 2. On February 27, 2015, Respondent completed an application for employment with an animal hospital located in Beloit, Wisconsin.
- 3. Respondent indicated that she attended "NIU," completed "4" years and that her major/degree was "nursing".

- 4. Respondent further indicated that she had been employed by Beloit Memorial Hospital from 2000 to 2014 and her last job title was "RN" (Registered Nurse).
- 5. Respondent was hired at the animal hospital based on her qualifications to assist with patient care and surgeries.
- 6. Respondent indicates on her Facebook page that she is an "R.N. at Beloit Memorial Hospital."
- 7. Respondent, by the conduct described above, has held herself out as authorized to practice professional nursing.

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. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.06(4), no person may practice or attempt to practice professional nursing, nor use the title, letters, or anything else to indicate that he or she is a registered or professional nurse unless he or she is licensed under this section.
- 3. The conduct described in the Findings of Fact constitutes the unlicensed practice of professional 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 professional nurse by the Wisconsin Board of Nursing, Respondent is enjoined and prohibited from engaging in the practice of 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 3rd day of February, 2016.

By:

Michael J. Berndt Chief Legal Counsel

On behalf of the Department

STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF AN ADMININSTRATIVE: INJUNCTION INVOLVING:

STIPULATION

TRICIA N. MCINTYRE, RESPONDENT.

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 15 UNL 140

Respondent Tricia N. McIntyre 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 Administration Injunction by the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (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 or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance may appear before the Department, without the presence of Respondent, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that the Department may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation.
- 7. Respondent is informed that should the Department adopt this Stipulation; the Department's Administrative Injunction 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 that the Department adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Administrative Injunction.

Tricia N. McIntyre, Respondent

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