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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

JENNIFER M. STEHLING, R.N.,
RESPONDENT.

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INTERIM ORDER

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 16 NUR 542

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

Jennifer M. Stehling, R.N.
309 Forest Street
Fox Lake, Wisconsin 53933

Wisconsin Board of Nursing
P.O. Box 8366
Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance
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 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 Jennifer M. Stehling, R.N., (dob: June 24, 1972) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a professional nurse, having license number 130172-30, first issued on July 22, 1998 and current through February 28, 2018. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 309 Forest Street, Fox Lake, Wisconsin 53933.

2. On information and belief, Respondent's current address is W9077 Concord Road, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin 53916.

3. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was employed as a professional nurse at a correctional institution (Institution), located in Fox Lake, Wisconsin.

4. Between December 1, 2015 and June 12, 2016, Respondent provided nursing services in the health services unit (HSU) at the Institution to Inmate A, a 29 year old male, who was incarcerated at the Institution.

5. On September 27, 2016, in Dodge County Circuit Court case number 2016CF322, Respondent was charged with two (2) counts of second degree sexual assault by correctional staff, in violation of Wis. Stat. § 940.225(2)(h), a felony, and one (1) count of delivery of illegal articles to an inmate, in violation of Wis. Stat. § 302.095(2), a felony.

6. The criminal charges were based on the following alleged conduct by Respondent:

- a. Between January and June 2016, Respondent, as a correctional staff member, had sexual contact or sexual intercourse with Inmate A on several occasions while he was incarcerated at the Institution.
- b. Between January and June 2016, Respondent delivered personal photographs to Inmate A.

7. The criminal charges remain pending as of the date of this Order.

8. The Board has not made a determination as to the validity of the above allegations.

9. Respondent has voluntarily agreed not to engage in the practice of professional nursing pending final resolution of the criminal proceedings and these disciplinary proceedings.

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).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. The license to practice professional nursing in the State of Wisconsin of Respondent Jennifer M. Stehling, R.N., (license number 130172-30), and her privilege to practice in Wisconsin pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact, are hereby **SUSPENDED**, during the pendency of this disciplinary matter.

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

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

by: *Sheryl Krause*
A Member of the Board

7-13-17
Date

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STIPULATION
FOR INTERIM ORDER

0005374

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 16 NUR 542

Respondent Jennifer M. Stehling, R.N., 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 temporary resolution of this matter by Stipulation.

2. 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. Respondent is represented by Attorney Timothy E. Hawkes.

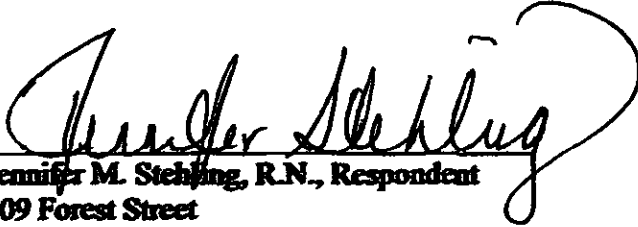
3. Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegations in this matter, but agrees to the adoption of the attached Interim Order by the Board of Nursing ("Board"). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Interim Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

4. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that this Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.


5. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Board ever assigned as a case advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent or Respondent's attorney, if any, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with the Board's deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such case advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Interim Order.

6. Respondent is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Interim Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.


7. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending that the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Interim Order.


Jennifer M. Stehling, R.N., Respondent
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License no. 130172-30

5/25/17
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