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| IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY | : | |
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| PROCEEDINGS AGAINST | : | |
| | : | FINAL DECISION AND ORDER |
| PAULA M. SALKIN, R.N., | : | |
| RESPONDENT. | : | BBB 6048 |

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 17 NUR 682

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

Paula M. Salkin 18375 Brookfield Lake Drive # 87 Brookfield, WI 53045

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 Paula M. Salkin, R.N., (DOB: March 27, 1956) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a registered nurse, having license number 84037-30, first issued on March 25, 1983 and valid through February 28, 2020.

2. Respondent's license was suspended on September 10, 2018, for failure to comply with a monitoring order entered on September 4, 2008. Respondent's license remains suspended at this time.

3. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 18375 Brookfield Lake Drive #87, Brookfield, Wisconsin 53045.

4. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was employed as a registered nurse at a nursing home (Home) located in New Berlin, Wisconsin.

5. On October 15, 2017, the P.M. Supervisor (Supervisor) at the Home observed Respondent to have slurred speech and noticed that Respondent went to her car several times.

6. The Supervisor informed Respondent that she would be reporting these behaviors to the Director of Nursing (DON).

7. Respondent left the Facility when she was informed that the Supervisor would be reporting to the DON.

8. Respondent denies being impaired at work.

9. 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. \S 227.44(5).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. The SURRENDER of the license and privilege of Paula M. Salkin, R.N., (license no. 84037-30) to practice nursing in the State of Wisconsin or under another state license pursuant to the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact is hereby accepted.

3. Respondent shall not petition the Board of Nursing for reinstatement for at least one (1) year from the date of this Order. After the one (1) year period, Respondent may or may not be granted reinstatement, but may petition for reinstatement. 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 Respondent petitions the Department for reinstatement of her license to practice nursing in the state of Wisconsin or applies for another credential with this Department, Respondent shall pay the costs of this matter in the amount of \$716.00.

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

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

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| IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST | • | |
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| | : | STIPULATION |
| PAULA M. SALKIN, R.N., RESPONDENT. | | BB 60 4 8 |

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 17 NUR 682

Respondent Paula M. Salkin, 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 by the Wisconsin Board of Nursing (Board). 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 Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

5. 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 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 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.

6. 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 an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

7. Respondent is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board'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 Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

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Paula M. Salkin, Respondent 18375 Brookfield Lake Drive # 87 Brookfield, WI 53045 License no. 84037-30

Alicia M. Kennedy, Attorney Department of Safety and Professional Services Division of Legal Services and Compliance P.O. Box 7190 Madison WI 53707-7190

<u>17-21-18</u> Date

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