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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

DVIJA CARDINE, L.P.N., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0008202

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 22 NUR 213

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

Dvija Cardine, L.P.N. Milwaukee, WI 53210

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 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 Dvija Cardine, L.P.N., (Year of Birth 1997) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a licensed practical nurse, having license number 326385-31, first issued on August 9, 2021, and current through April 30, 2023. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53210.
- 2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent worked as a licensed practical nurse at a nursing home located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin (Facility).
- 3. On March 8, 2022, the Facility gave Respondent a verbal warning regarding her persistent tardiness and poor attendance.

- 4. On March 18, 2022, co-workers observed Respondent talking to someone on her cell phone, complaining about the Facility and making threats of physical harm against the Director of Nursing (DON), a co-worker (Nurse A), and Human Resources (HR). Several residents also witnessed Respondent's behavior. When a nursing supervisor and another co-worker tried to intervene, Respondent threatened them as well. At least one co-worker reported not feeling safe working with Respondent under the circumstances.
- 5. On March 22, 2022, the nursing home administrator (NHA) and an HR representative called Respondent to inform her that her employment was terminated because of her conduct on March 18, 2022. During the call, Respondent became verbally abusive and made threats of physical harm against the NHA, the Director of HR, and one of the nursing supervisors. Respondent then called the Facility more than 25 times, and after being blocked, she continued to harass staff members via text message and calls to their personal phones. Around 12:30 p.m., Respondent arrived at the Facility and drove around the parking lot honking and making threatening gestures toward staff by pointing her finger as if firing a gun at them. Residents were brought inside, and the Milwaukee Police Department was notified.
- 6. On March 30, 2022, Respondent was charged with one count of Disorderly Conduct, a Class B misdemeanor in violation of Wis. Stat. § 947.01(1), in Milwaukee County Circuit Court Case No. 2022CM000810. On August 12, 2022, Respondent pled guilty to the charge as part of a deferred prosecution agreement (DPA) and the Court found Respondent guilty but agreed to withhold entry of the Judgment of Conviction pending compliance with the DPA. The matter is still pending.
- 7. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Board 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, Respondent violated or aided and abetted a violation of any law substantially related to the practice of nursing, within the meaning of Wis. Admin. Code § N 7.03(2).
- 3. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent engaged in repeated or significant disruptive behavior or interaction with health care personnel, patients, family members, or others that interferes with patient care or could reasonably be expected to adversely impact the quality of care rendered, within the meaning of Wis. Admin. Code § N 7.03(4)(d).
- 4. As a result of the above conduct, Respondent is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1g)(b) and (d) and Wis. Admin. Code § N 7.03.

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

- 2. Respondent is REPRIMANDED.
- 3. Respondent's license to practice as a licensed practical nurse (number 326385-31), and privilege to practice in Wisconsin pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact (Compact), are LIMITED as follows:
 - a. Within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, Respondent shall at their own expense, successfully complete three (3) hours of education on the topic of professionalism and ethics offered by a provider pre-approved by the Board's monitoring liaison, including taking and passing any exam offered for the courses.
 - b. Respondent shall submit proof of successful completion of the education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below. None of the education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or Department, and also may not be used in future attempts to upgrade a credential in Wisconsin.
 - c. The Board's monitoring liaison may change the number of credit hours and/or education topics in response to a request from Respondent. The monitoring liaison may consider the topic availability and/or hours of education when determining if a change to the ordered education should occur.
 - d. This limitation shall be removed from Respondent's license after satisfying the Board or its designee that Respondent has successfully completed all the ordered education.
- 4. Within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$590.00.
- 5. Any requests, petitions, payments of costs (made payable to Department of Safety and Professional Services), and other information required by this Order shall be submitted to:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 266-2112; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

Respondent may also submit this information online at: https://dspsmonitoring.wi.gov.

6. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Order, Respondent's license (number 326385-31), or Respondent's right to renew her license, may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of the Order. The Board may, in addition and/or in the alternative refer any violation of this Order to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further investigation and action.

By: Tobut Weimen TW-CCHP A Member of the Board of Nursing 10/13/2022 Date	٠, ٠			
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This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

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WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

DVIJA CARDINE, L.P.N., RESPONDENT. STIPULATION

ORDER 0008202

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 22 NUR 213

Respondent Dvija Cardine, L.P.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 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.

- 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 Supulation 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.
- Respondent is further informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order will be reported as required by the National Practitioner Databank (NPDB) Guidebook and as otherwise required by any licensure compact or any other
- 9. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Ottler.

Duja Cardine, L.P.N., Respondent
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Milwaukee, WI 53210
License No. 326385-31

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09/01/2022 Carley Peich Kiesling, Prosecuting Attorney Date Department of Safety and Professional Services Division of Legal Services and Compliance

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