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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS EXAMINING BOARD

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| IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY | : | |
| PROCEEDINGS AGAINST | : | |
| | : | FINAL DECISION AND ORDER |
| PETE N. EIDE, N.H.A., | : | |
| RESPONDENT. | : | ORDER 0008449 |

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 19 NHA 028

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

Pete N. Eide, N.H.A.
La Crosse, WI 54601

Wisconsin Nursing Home Administrators Examining Board
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 Nursing Home Administrators Examining Board (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. Pete N. Eide, N.H.A. (Respondent), (Year of Birth 1970) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a nursing home administrator, having license number 2993-65, first issued on June 16, 1998 and current through June 30, 2024. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in La Crosse, Wisconsin 54601.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent worked as a nursing home administrator at a nursing home located in Viroqua, Wisconsin (Facility).

3. On March 15, 2019, Resident A was diagnosed with late onset Alzheimer's disease without behavior disturbance and "not currently capable of effectively receiving and evaluating

information, nor is [Resident A] able to make and communicated [sic] decisions necessary to meet the essential requirements for his physical health and safety.”

4. On March 30, 2019, Facility staff (CNA A), observed Resident A sitting next to Resident B, a female, with one hand on Resident B’s inner thigh and the other hand fondling Resident B’s genital area over her clothing.

5. The Facility failed to fully investigate the March 30, 2019 incident and failed to prevent further abuse.

6. On April 2, 2019, CNA A observed Resident A sitting next to Resident C, a male with moderate cognitive impairment. Resident C was in bed with his briefs pulled down, and Resident A was stroking Resident’s C’s exposed genitals.

7. The Viroqua Police Department were contacted. Facility staff members and residents were interviewed. No charges were issued.

8. The Department sent the Respondent a request for a response to the allegations in the complaint at the email address on file with the Department on June 29, 2019 and sent a written request for a response to the mailing address on file with the Department on August 14, 2019. The Respondent did not respond to those requests for a response.

9. 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. § 456.10 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 engaged in unprofessional conduct by practicing in a manner which substantially departed from the standard of care ordinarily exercised by a nursing home administrator which harms or could have harmed a patient within the meaning of Wis. Admin. Code § NHA 5.02(2).

3. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent failed to respond, to the satisfaction of the Board within 30 days to a request for the information from the Board in violation of Wis. Stat. § 440.20(5)(a).

4. As a result of the above conduct, Respondent is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 456.10 and Wis. Admin. Code § NHA 5.02.

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent is REPRIMANDED.

3. Respondent's license to practice as a nursing home administrator in the state of Wisconsin (license number 2993-65), is LIMITED as follows:

- a. Within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, Respondent shall at his own expense, successfully complete two (2) hours of education on the topic of Resident Rights, two (2) hours of education on the topic of Resident Care, two (2) hours of education on the topic of Resident Sexuality, and four (4) hours of education on the topic of Resident Abuse/Neglect offered by a provider pre-approved by the Board 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 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 \$1,377.00.

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://dpsmonitoring.wi.gov>

6. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Order, Respondent's license (number 2993-65), or Respondent's right to renew his 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.

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

WISCONSIN NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS EXAMINING BOARD

By: 
A Member of the Board

4/7/2023
Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN
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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

PETE N. EIDE, N.H.A.,
RESPONDENT.

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STIPULATION

ORDER 0008449

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 19 NHA 028

Pete N. Eide, N.H.A. (Respondent) 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 Nursing Home Administrators Examining Board (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. 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 state or federal law.

9. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

Pete N. Eide, N.H.A., Respondent
La Crosse, WI 54601
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Date

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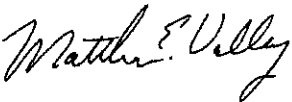
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8. Respondent is further informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order will be reported as required by the National Practitioner Databank (NPDB) Guidebook and as otherwise required by any licensure compact or any other state or federal law.

9. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

Peter Eide Pete N. Eide, N.H.A., Respondent
Date 1/18/2023
La Crosse, WI 54601
License No. 2993-65


_____, January 26, 2023 Matthew Valley,
Prosecuting Attorney Date
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