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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

STACY L. MINGORI, R.N.,
RESPONDENT.

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ORDER 0008863

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 23 NUR 414

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

Stacy L. Mingori, R.N.
Green Bay, WI 54311

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 Stacy L. Mingori, R.N., (Year of Birth 1972) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a registered nurse with multistate privileges pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact (Compact), having license number 132790-30, first issued on July 30, 1999, and expired as of March 1, 2022. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.08(3), Respondent retains the right to renew her license upon payment of a fee until February 28, 2027.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Green Bay, Wisconsin 54311.

3. On April 20, 2021, Respondent was charged with (1) Theft – Business Setting (>\$10,000 - \$100,000), a felony in violation of Wis. Stat. § 943.20(1)(b); (2) Forgery, a felony in

violation of Wis. Stat. § 943.38(1)(a); and, (3) Unauthorized Use of an Entity's Identifying Information or Documents, a felony in violation of Wis. Stat. § 93.203(2)(a), in Brown County Circuit Court Case No. 2021CF000649 (Brown County Case).

4. According to the Criminal Complaint in the Brown County Case, between December 2018 and October 2019, Respondent diverted funds from a non-profit youth performing arts organization for her personal use without authorization. Respondent was a board member and Vice President of the non-profit organization, serving as a fiduciary with access to its bank accounts at the time.

5. On May 15, 2023, Respondent accepted a plea agreement in the Brown County Case and pleaded no contest to Theft – Business Setting (>\$10,000 - \$100,000), a felony in violation of Wis. Stat. § 943.20(1)(b). The other charges were dismissed but read in for purposes of sentencing. Respondent paid restitution in the amount of \$37,997.62 and was sentenced to six months in jail with four months stayed, and four years of probation.

6. On June 1, 2023, Respondent reported the conviction to the Department.

7. On July 17, 2023, the Court in the Brown County Case entered a Judgment of Conviction.

8. 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 and was convicted of a crime substantially related to the practice of nursing, which constitutes grounds for taking disciplinary action pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § N 7.03(2).

3. A nurse who possesses a multistate license from Wisconsin is ineligible to retain or renew the multistate license should the nurse incur a disqualifying event, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.51(3)(g)2. Being convicted of a felony offense under applicable state or federal criminal law is a disqualifying event, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.51(3)(c)7.

4. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent is ineligible to retain or renew a Wisconsin multistate license to practice nursing.

5. 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 multistate license allowing Respondent to practice in all Compact states besides Wisconsin is deactivated and shall not be renewed. Respondent retains a Wisconsin single-state registered nurse license and the right to renew such license.
4. Respondent's single-state license to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin (license number 132790-30) is LIMITED as follows:

Education

- a. Within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, Respondent shall at her own expense, successfully complete six (6) hours of education on the topic of ethics.
- b. Each course attended in satisfaction of this Order must be pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Respondent shall be responsible for locating course(s) satisfactory to the Board and for obtaining the required approval of the course(s) from the Board or its designee. Respondent must take and pass any exam offered for the course(s).
- c. 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.
- d. The Board or its designee may change the number of credit hours and/or education topics in response to a request from Respondent. The Board or its designee may consider the topic availability and/or hours of education when determining if a change to the ordered education should occur.
- e. 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.

Practice Restrictions

- f. During the period of Respondent's probation in the Brown County Case, Respondent shall not perform unsupervised nursing services as an independent contractor.
- g. During the period of Respondent's probation in the Brown County Case, Respondent shall provide a copy of this Order to supervisory personnel at all settings where Respondent works as a nurse or provides health care prior to commencing practice.

5. Within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$408.00.

6. 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:

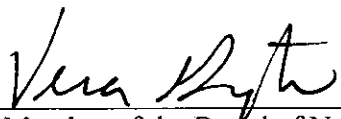
Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 266-2112; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

Respondent may also submit this information online at: <https://dpsmonitoring.wi.gov>.

7. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Order, Respondent's license (number 132790-30), 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.

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

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

By: 
A Member of the Board of Nursing

11/9/23
Date

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STIPULATION

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 23 NUR 414

Respondent Stacy L. Mingori, 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 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. Respondent is represented by Attorney George S. Pappas, Jr.

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.

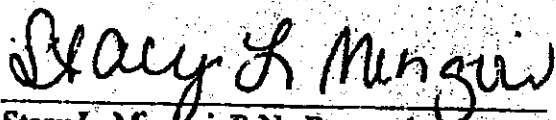
5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by 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.

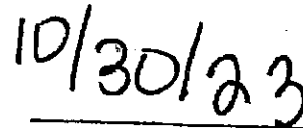
7. Respondent is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.

8. 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.

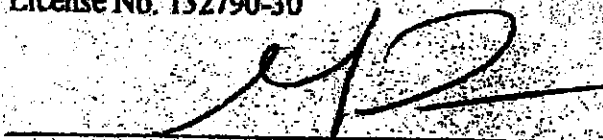
9. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

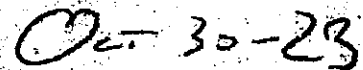


Stacy L. Mingori, R.N., Respondent
Green Bay, WI 54311
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Date


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