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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION :	Administrative Action
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF :	
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GAIL WILLETT, R.N. :	ORDER OF SUSPENSION
LICENSE # NO 10875800 :	OF LICENSE
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TO PRACTICE AS A :	
REGISTERED NURSE (R.N.) IN THE :	
STATE OF NEW JERSEY :	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (" Board") upon the receipt of information indicating the following;

1. Respondent, Gail Willett, is the holder of License No. NO 10875800 and is a registered nurse in the State of New Jersey.
2. Respondent entered into a private letter agreement with

the Board, which she signed on or about August 11, 2012. (Exhibit A) The agreement required respondent to enroll in the Recovery and Monitoring Program of New Jersey (RAMP), undergo evaluation and monitoring, agree to follow recommendations by RAMP for further treatment, and to refrain from the use of any and all potentially addictive substances. (Exhibit A, ¶¶2, 6, and 10.) The agreement was to have the force and effect of a Board Order within the intendment of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4. In the event that the Board received reliable information that respondent had acted in violation of the RAMP contract and/or the agreement, the agreement was no longer to remain confidential.

3. In a communication dated April 25, 2013, RAMP advised the Board that respondent was noncompliant with RAMP monitoring requirements. (Exhibit B)

4. On or about June 11, 2013, a letter issued by overnight and regular mail to respondent at her address of record, advising respondent that the Board had received credible information indicating that she was not in compliance with the private letter agreement, and advising her to forward within five days any proof that she was currently in compliance with RAMP.

The overnight mailing was delivered on June 12, 2013. The regular mailing was not returned. No response has been received to date. (Exhibit C)

5. The private letter agreement signed by respondent

provided for automatic suspension of respondent's nursing license upon receipt of reliable information indicating that respondent has violated any term of the private letter agreement. (Exhibit A, ¶13)

6. A certification from RAMP's Director dated June 25, 2013 indicates that respondent ceased monitoring and screening in December of 2012 and February of 2013 for medically-related reasons. Since the February interruption of RAMP participation, Ms Willett failed to resume participation in that she ceased calling in daily for drug screenings, ceased attending peer group meetings, and has indicated that she no longer wishes to participate in RAMP. (Exhibit D) This conduct constitutes a violation of the private letter agreement signed by respondent.

7. On May 31, 2013, respondent was convicted of theft of movable property in Burlington County Superior Court and sentenced to three years probation. (Exhibit E)

IT IS on this 3rd day of September, 2013

HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of New Jersey shall be and hereby is suspended for her violation of the private letter agreement, which is deemed a violation of a Board Order within the intendment of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4 and N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).

2. Respondent may, under the terms of the private letter

agreement, upon notice, request a hearing on the sole issue of whether respondent has failed to comply with the terms of the private letter agreement.

3. In the event that respondent seeks reinstatement of her New Jersey nursing license at any future time, the Board shall not entertain any application for reinstatement without respondent's demonstrating that she is in full compliance with the terms and conditions of the private letter agreement and with any agreement with RAMP. Respondent shall also, if the Board so requires, appear before the Board or a committee thereof to explain the conduct underlying the conviction for theft of movable property, and the Board reserves the right to impose discipline in connection with that conviction at that time.

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