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N.J. BOARD OF NURSING

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE
LICENSE OF

JOANNE GANCARCIK, R.N.
License # NO 07748000

TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

FINAL ORDER
OF DISCIPLINE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("the Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and on which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a registered nurse in the State of New Jersey, and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto.
2. Respondent was asked by the Board of Nursing to provide certificates of completion of required continuing education from June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2012. In a letter dated October 17, 2013, respondent indicated that she was unable to provide this documentation.

3. On respondent's renewal application submitted on May 30, 2012, respondent indicated that she would not have completed required continuing education for the 2010-2012 renewal period by May 31, 2012.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent's failure to document required continuing education for the June 1, 2010-May 31, 2012 renewal period constitutes a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3, subjecting respondent to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and (h).

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on November 19, 2013, provisionally suspending respondent's nursing license, and imposing a \$250.00 civil penalty. A copy of the Order was served upon respondent by certified and regular mail at her address of record. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th business day following entry unless respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

Although the record reflects that the certified mailing of the Provisional Order was signed for, and the regular mailing was not returned, no response has been received to date. The Board determined that service had been effected, as the mailings had been sent to respondent's address of record with the Board. The Board further determined that as no discrepancies had been raised with respect to the findings and conclusions of

the Provisional Order, further proceedings were not necessary, and the Provisional Order should be made final.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 10th day of February, 2014,

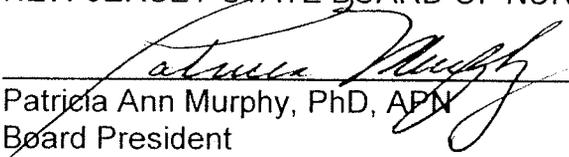
ORDERED that:

1. Respondent's New Jersey nursing license is hereby suspended until she is able to demonstrate completion of a minimum of thirty (30) contact hours of valid continuing education as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3.

2. A civil penalty in the amount of \$250.00 is hereby imposed for the failure to comply with N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3. Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey, and sent to the attention of George Hebert, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, NJ 07101, within twenty-one days of the filing of this order.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:



Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD, APN
Board President