

was not returned. No response has been received to date. On May 8, 2014, a second letter of inquiry issued by certified and regular mail and was sent to respondent's address of record. The certified mailing was returned, unclaimed. The regular mailing was not returned. No response has been received to date.

4. Respondent indicated on her 2012 renewal application that she would have completed all required continuing education for the 2010-2012 renewal period by May 31, 2012.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent's failure to respond to a Board inquiry constitutes a failure to cooperate with a Board investigation in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2, -1.3, subjecting respondent to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).

2. Respondent's failure to provide documentation of completion of continuing education requirements for the 2010-2012 licensing cycle is interpreted as constituting 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).

3. Respondent's indication on her 2012 renewal application that she would complete all required continuing education by May 31, 2012 is interpreted as constituting misrepresentation in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on August 15, 2014, provisionally suspending respondent's nursing license and imposing reprimand and a total of \$750 in civil penalties. 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.

The record reflects that the certified mailing of the Provisional Order was returned, unclaimed. The regular mailing of the Provisional Order was not returned. No response has been received to date. The Board considered this matter and 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, additional proceedings were not necessary, and the Provisional Order should be made final.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 7th day of November, 2014,

ORDERED that:

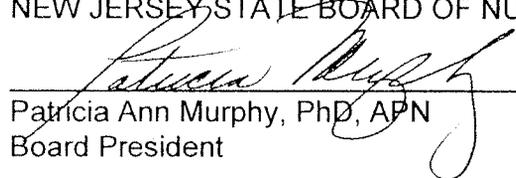
1. Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of New Jersey is hereby suspended until she has fully responded to the Board's inquiry, and until she is able to document completion of all required nursing continuing education, both for the 2010-2012 renewal period, and for the 2012-2014 renewal period. Thus respondent must document completion of a total of 60 contact hours of continuing education completed subsequent to June 1, 2010.

2. A public reprimand is hereby imposed for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

3. A civil penalty in the amount of \$500 is hereby imposed for the violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2, -1.3, as well as a \$250 civil penalty for the violation of N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3, for a total penalty amount of \$750. Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey, and shall be 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 21 days of the filing of this order.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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