

Provisional order

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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 LICENSE OF : Administrative Action
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: PROVISIONAL ORDER
: OF DISCIPLINE
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SUSAN JEFFER, R.N. :
License # 26NR 11256200 : FINAL ORDER
: OF DISCIPLINE
: (Finalized by default
TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE : on *May 22, 2015*
STATE OF NEW JERSEY :
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and upon which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a registered professional nurse in the State of New Jersey, and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto.

2. The Board learned through the Division of Consumer Affairs flagging system that respondent's arrest/conviction history includes the following convictions:

- a) a conviction on September 16, 2013 for possession of drug paraphernalia, resulting in a sentence of one year probation and a monetary assessment of \$858;
- b) a conviction on April 1, 2014 for shoplifting, resulting in a sentence of six months alcohol/drug rehabilitation, 99 days in jail, and five years probation, with an assessment of \$663.93;
- c) a conviction on January 30, 2014 on the charge of theft of movable property, with a sentence of 43 days confinement, on year probation, and an assessment of \$750;
- d) a conviction on March 18, 2014 for shoplifting, with a sentence of 30 days community service and an assessment of \$253;
- e) a conviction on December 3, 2013 for theft, with a sentence of 36 days confinement, one year probation, and an assessment of \$760.45;
- f) a conviction on December 10, 2013 for shoplifting, resulting in an assessment of \$397. (Exhibit A)

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent's recent conviction history subjects respondent to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f), as the conduct underlying respondent's convictions relates adversely to the practice of nursing.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 30th day of March, 2015,
ORDERED that upon the filing of a FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE in this
matter:

1. Respondent's nursing license is hereby suspended for a minimum period of two years for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f) and N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2, -1.3. Prior to being granted reinstatement of her nursing license, respondent shall be required to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that she is fit and competent to practice nursing, by undergoing evaluation and monitoring under the auspices of the Recovery and Monitoring Program of New Jersey (RAMP), and obtaining RAMP's support for reinstatement.

3. Upon finalization of this order, respondent shall refrain from practicing as a nurse and shall not represent herself as a Registered Professional Nurse until such time as her license is reinstated. Any practice in this State prior to reinstatement shall constitute grounds for a charge of unlicensed practice.

4. The within order shall be subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th day following entry hereof unless Respondent requests a modification or dismissal of the above stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by:

a) Submitting a written request for modification or dismissal to George Hebert, Executive Director, State Board of

Nursing, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

b) Setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed.

c) Submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting Respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor or offered in mitigation of penalty.

5. Any submissions will be reviewed by the Board and the Board will thereafter determine whether further proceedings are necessary. If no material discrepancies are raised through a supplemental submission during the thirty-day period, or if the Board is not persuaded that the submitted materials merit further consideration, a Final Order of Discipline will be entered.

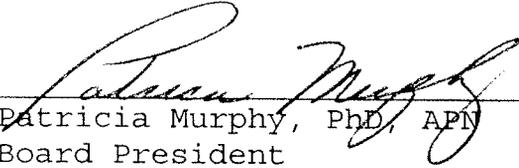
6. In the event that Respondent's submissions establish a need for further proceedings, including, but not limited to an evidentiary hearing, Respondent shall be notified with regard thereto. In the event that an evidentiary hearing is ordered, the preliminary findings of fact and conclusions of law contained herein may serve as notice of the factual and legal allegations in such proceeding. Further, in the event a hearing is held and upon review of the record, the Board shall not be limited to the findings, conclusions and sanctions stated herein.

7. In the event that the Board receives no written submission from Respondent within 30 days following filing of this Provisional

Order of Discipline, without further Board review, the Provisional Order of Discipline shall automatically become the Final Order of Discipline. The box for Final Order of Discipline shall be checked, the Final Order of Discipline shall be filed, and copies shall be mailed to Respondent. Thereafter, Respondent's failure to comply with any sanction or penalty imposed by this Order shall be considered a violation of a Board Order in contravention of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (e) and (h) and N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4 and may subject Respondent to additional sanction and/or penalty.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:


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