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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 :
OF THE LICENSE OF : Administrative Action
:
JOAN H. ENGLISH, LPN :
License No. 26NP05326300 : INTERIM
:
TO PRACTICE NURSING : CONSENT ORDER
IN THE 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 concerning Joan H. English ("Respondent"), a Licensed Practical Nurse in the State of New Jersey. Respondent allowed her license to practice nursing to expire as of May 31, 2014. In October 2014, the status of Respondent's license to practice was changed to "inactive."

On August 25, 2015, Respondent was arrested after she

allegedly attempted to kill her husband by slashing his throat with a knife. Respondent was indicted and charged with violating N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1A(1)/N.J.S.A. 2C:11-2 (Attempt to Commit Murder), N.J.S.A. 2C:12-1B(1) (Aggravated Assault), N.J.S.A. 2C:39-4D (Possession of a Weapon for Unlawful Purpose), and N.J.S.A. 2C:39-5D (Unlawful Possession of a Weapon). She has remained in custody since the day of her arrest.

The allegations, if proven, would demonstrate that Respondent engaged in acts constituting a crime or offense involving moral turpitude and relating adversely to the practice of nursing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f), and lacks good moral character which is an underlying foundation for licensure pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:11-26, both of which would provide bases for disciplinary action against Respondent's license.

It appearing that Respondent agrees to voluntarily enter into an interim agreement temporarily suspending her license without making admissions and without prejudice to her ability to defend any action brought based on the above allegations, and the Board finding the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare; and other good cause having been shown;

IT IS, THEREFORE, ON THIS 25th DAY OF August, 2016,

ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. The license to practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse in the State of New Jersey, issued to Respondent, Joan H. English, is hereby voluntarily surrendered, to be deemed a temporary suspension of license, effective immediately, pending disposition of the criminal charges and until further Order of the Board.

2. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from holding herself out as a nurse in the State of New Jersey and shall refrain from the practice of nursing in the State of New Jersey pending further Order of the Board.

3. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed an admission of liability on the part of Respondent.

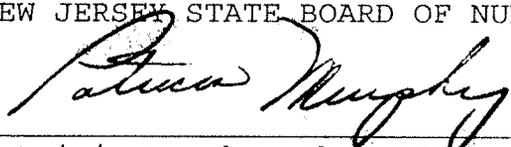
4. The entry of the within Order is without prejudice to the further investigation and/or prosecution of any violations by Respondent of any statutes or regulations governing nursing practice in the State of New Jersey or any other violations of law, by the Board, the Attorney General, or any other regulatory or law enforcement agency, including, but not limited to, any pending matters under investigation.

5. Nothing herein shall preclude the Board from initiating further disciplinary action based upon the conduct relating to

Respondent as alleged above or upon disposition of the criminal matters. Additionally, the Board reserves the right to impose discipline, limitations, and/or restrictions at the time of any petition for reinstatement of Respondent's license, including a denial of reinstatement. In the event Respondent does not petition for reinstatement, Respondent's license shall remain suspended indefinitely.

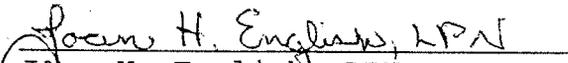
NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:



Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN
Board President

I have read and understand the within Order and agree to be bound by its terms. I consent to the entry and reporting of this Order.



Joan H. English, LPN
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