

BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING
LONDON STATE OFFICE BUILDING, 900 S.W. JACKSON, SUITE 1051
TOPEKA, KANSAS 66612-1230

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Board of Nursing

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF
KAREN SMITH (Palmer)
LICENSE NO. 13-056587-112

CASE NO. 99-307-5, 01-592-4, 02-560-5, 02-678-5

NUNC PRO TUNC DEFAULT ORDER REVOKING LICENSE

NOW ON THIS 19th day of March, 2003, petitioner appears by disciplinary counsel, Alma

A. Heckler, for a Hearing on the Petition. Respondent does not appear.

Wherefore, the hearing officer finds as follows:

1. Respondent is licensed through 11/30/04 as an R.N. The Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
2. Petitioner sent a copy of the petition and notice of this hearing to respondent's last known address and service is proper.
3. Petitioner moves for issuance of a proposed default order revoking license.
4. The petitioner's request is granted by default.
5. **CASE 99-307-5** The respondent has violated K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(4) to be unable to practice with skill and safety due to current abuse of drugs or alcohol. The respondent has violated K.A.R. 60-3-110(s) failing to complete the requirements of the impaired provider program of the board.

CASE 01-592-4 Respondent violated K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6), unprofessional conduct, defined by administrative regulation K.A.R. 60-3-110; (a) diverting drugs, supplies or property of a patient or agency; and (b) failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient.

Respondent violated K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(4), unable to practice with skill and safety due to current abuse of drugs or alcohol.

CASE 02-560-5 Respondent violated K.S.A. 65-1120(e)(1) one or more instances

involving failure to adhere to the applicable standard of care to a degree which constitutes gross negligence. Respondent violated K.S.A. 65-1120(e)(3) a pattern of practice or other behavior which demonstrates a manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice nursing. Respondent violated K.A.R. 60-3-110 (c) failing to take appropriate action or to follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard each patient.

CASE 02-678-5 Respondent violated K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(1), to be guilty of fraud or deceit in practicing nursing or in procuring or attempting to procure a license.

6. Costs of the action of \$70.00 are assessed to respondent to be paid to the Board by cash or money order within 30 days of the effective date of this order.
7. Respondent shall forward original Kansas R.N. license no. 13-056578-112 immediately to the Kansas State Board of Nursing.
8. Disciplinary counsel shall mail a copy of this order to respondent's last known address.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Terry E. Beck, Hearing Officer

NOTICE

This is a proposed default order pursuant to K.S.A. 77-520. This order becomes effective if respondent does not file a written motion requesting that this order be vacated with the Board within ten days after the day this order is mailed. If a motion is timely filed, then a hearing will be set and notice given to respondent to appear. Another order will then be issued either vacating or affirming this order.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On the 19th day of March, 2003, I mailed a copy of this order by depositing it with the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, addressed to respondent at 770 N. Silver Springs #411, Wichita, KS 67212.



Alma A. Heckler

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On the 21st day of April, 2004, I caused a copy of this document to be mailed, postage prepaid to respondent:

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