

**BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING**  
Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson #1051  
Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230

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**IN THE MATTER OF TERESA LEE SNYDER**

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**License No. 13-68380-112**

**Case No. 13-925-3**

**SUMMARY ORDER**

NOW ON THIS 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013, THE ABOVE MATTER COMES

BEFORE THE Kansas State Board of Nursing (Board) pursuant to authority granted to the Board by K.S.A. 65-1120. The Board hereby proposed to find facts and take disciplinary action against the licensee's license by way of Summary Order as provided by K.S.A. 77-537.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Licensee is licensed to practice nursing in the state of Kansas. The Board has jurisdiction over the Licensee and the subject matter of this action.
2. Licensee's address of record is 1521 Ranch Road McPherson, Kansas 67460.
3. After an investigation, the Board's investigative committee found reasonable grounds to believe that the Respondent violated the Kansas Nurse Practice Act, K.S.A. 65-1120, and referred this matter for further proceedings.
4. Review of the information gathered by the Board revealed the following upon which this action is based.
  - (a) According to a report, Licensee was charged with four (4) Counts of Unlawful Sexual Relations with a person 16 years of age or older who is a foster child placed in the care of such family foster home, a severity level 5, person felony.
  - (b) This case was filed on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December, 2012 in McPherson County, Kansas Case No 12-CR-233.
  - (c) Licensee pled not guilty at arraignment and case was set for trial the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013.

5. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1120(a), the Kansas State Board of Nursing may deny, revoke, limit or suspend any license, certificate of qualification or authorization to practice nursing as a registered professional nurse , as a licensed practical nurse, as an advanced registered nurse practitioner or as a registered nurse anesthetist that is issued by the board or applied for under authorization, if the licensee, licensee or holder of a certificate of qualifications or authorization is found to have violated the Nurse Practice Act.

6. The above fact findings established evidence that the licensee violated the following provisions of the Nurse Practice Act:

Count 1: K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(3), Professional Incompetency by K.S.A. 65-1120(e)(3), a pattern of practice or other behavior which demonstrates a manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice nursing.

Count 2: K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6), unprofessional conduct by K.A.R. 60-3-110(f), commission of any act of sexual abuse, sexual misconduct, or sexual exploitation related to the licensee's practice.

7. K.S.A. 77-511(a)(2)(A) of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act authorized by use of the summary proceedings does not violated any provision of law and the protection of the public interest does not require the state agency to give notice and opportunity to participate to persons other than the parties.

8. The role of the Kansas State Board of Nursing is to protect citizens of Kansas.

#### **POLICY STATEMENT**


1. Trust is imperative in the nursing profession and alleged sexual relations with a person 16 years old or older while in a position of authority in a family foster care home is damaging to the nursing profession.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING THAT**

1. **Licensee's license to practice nursing in the state of Kansas is suspended pending the outcome of the Criminal Case in McPherson County, Kansas Case No. 12CR233.**

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537, the decision, which is called a Summary Order, is subject to your request for hearing. If you desire a hearing, you must submit or direct a **written** request for hearing to: Kansas State Board of Nursing, Legal Division, 900 SW Jackson, Suite 1051, Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230, (785) 296-4325. **THIS REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER.** If a hearing is not requested in the time and manner stated, this Summary Order becomes effective as a final order, without further notice, upon the expiration of the time for requesting a hearing.

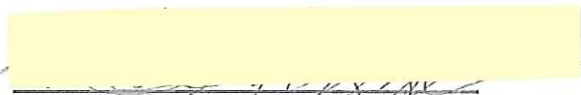
Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-531, if the Summary Order is served by mail, three days are added to the time limits set out above.

  
Judith Hiner RN, BSN  
Investigative Committee, Chair  
Kansas State Board of Nursing

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013, I deposited a copy of this SUMMARY ORDER with the United States Postal Service, postage pre-paid, addressed to:

Teresa Lee Snyder  
1521 Rand Road  
McPherson, Kansas 67460

  
Michael R. Fitzgibbons #12287  
Assistant Attorney General